

TWO PASTORS OF CITY WILL LEAVE

The Rev. B. H. Hart and the Rev. J. H. Daugherty Transferred to Other Charges

FIFTH STREET MEN PROTEST

Bishop Burt Removes Their Pastor Despite Petitions For Reappointment—Trustees to Take Action To-night

According to announcement made to-day at the Central Pennsylvania Methodist conference at Shamokin, the Rev. B. H. Hart, pastor of the Fifth Street Methodist church, will be transferred to the Pine Street church, Williamsport, and the Rev. John H. Daugherty, pastor of the Ridge Avenue church, goes to St. John's church, Sunbury. The new pastor of Fifth Street will be the Rev. Edwin A. Pyles, of Pine Street church, Williamsport, and the Rev. Mr. Daugherty's successor at Ridge Avenue, will be the Rev. William W. Hartman. The Rev. Mr. Hart and the Rev. Mr. Daugherty have been in this city longer than any of the other Methodist ministers, the former fourteen years and the latter six.



THE REV. B. H. HART

At Fifth Street Fourteen Years

A committee of seven members of the Fifth Street Methodist church, which yesterday went to Shamokin to petition Bishop Burt for the return of the Rev. B. H. Hart, as pastor of the congregation, was told by the bishop that the Rev. Mr. Hart would not be reappointed to his charge in this city. A special meeting of the trustees of the Fifth Street church has been called for to-night, when it is believed the bishop's decision will be protested.



THE REV. JOHN H. DAUGHERTY

Who Leaves Ridge Avenue

Bishop Burt gave no reason for taking the Rev. Mr. Hart from Harrisburg, except that he considered the latter's fourteen years of service at Fifth Street church long enough. It is on this point, according to E. F. Bates, a trustee of the church, that the local churchmen desiring Mr. Hart's return may take issue with the bishop, since there are no limitations to the length of a pastorate, and no rules would be broken by the return of Mr. Hart.

If the Rev. Mr. Hart is transferred, despite the protests from members of his congregation, the transfer will be an exchange of pulpits with the Rev. Mr. Pyles. The latter is well known in this city. For some years he had charge of churches at Mechanicsburg and West Fairview.

Shamokin, Pa., March 23.—The Central-Pennsylvania Conference of the M. E. church adjourned at noon to-day after the announcement on the ap-

APPOINTMENTS MADE AT NORRISTOWN CONFERENCE

Resolution Endorsing Woman Suffrage and Urging Pastors to Support Bill Is Passed at Closing Session—Introduced by the Rev. Charles Roads

Norristown, Pa., March 23.—The closing session of the 128th annual Philadelphia Methodist Episcopal conference was held to-day. A resolution endorsing woman suffrage and urging pastors to support the suffrage bill now pending in Harrisburg was passed. It was introduced by the Rev. Charles Roads, of Shenandoah.

Bishop Theodore S. Henderson, of Tennessee, who presided while Bishop McDowell was completing the list of appointments, delivered an address in which he urged the ministers to make the coming year the greatest evangelistic period in the history of the church in America.

Dr. G. H. Bickley, spoke in behalf of the board of sustentation. He said the amounts collected last year were \$6,888, an increase of \$172 over the preceding year. Dr. Bickley said the conference wants to limit a minister's minimum salary to \$800 per year, and he appealed to the conference to do better work for the sustentation fund.

The annual report of the statistician showed that 8,996 Sunday school scholars were admitted to church membership during the year. The total number of church members in the conference is 88,001, an increase of 3,431 over that of last year. There are 403 churches in the conference, and \$474,999 was the total expenditure for ministerial support.

The appointments in part follow:

- West District
E. C. Griffiths, superintendent.
Ardmore, William Downey,
Bainbridge and Falmouth, Russell Kern.
Charlestown, A. C. F. Otter,
Coatesville, T. W. McKinney,
Columbia, Cookman, W. S. Nichols,
Coventryville, W. F. Humphrey,
Grove, W. H. Zewig,
Lancaster, Broad street and Salunga, E. B. Baker,
Leola and New Holland, G. W. Tovey.

Washington borough, to be supplied.

- Northwest District
George W. Izer, superintendent.
Berrysburg, to be supplied by pastors of Lykens and Wisconsin.
Corwall, William E. Myers,
Coxesdown, Alfred Harries,
Halifax, A. T. Colom,
Hummelstown, Percy Boughey, supply,
Lebanon, Centenary, W. E. Yeager,
Lewellyn, J. T. Hunt,
Manada and Paxton, R. D. Louden, supply,
Phoenixville, C. P. Futecher,
Riverside, R. D. Louden, supply,
Steelton, W. C. Sanderson,
Tower City, C. B. Felton.

WALTER PRODD BY LYNCH

Street Repairs Contractor Is Directed to Speed Up in His Work—Says Weather Has Interfered

Highway Commissioner Lynch last evening sent an ultimatum to Charles P. Walter, who has the contract to repair the city's asphalt streets, directing Walter to make better progress with the work or accept the alternative of surrendering the job and consequently his claim to the \$3,750 quarterly allowance yet due on his five-year contract, which expires on April 1.

Walter received the Lynch letter late last night and this morning told the Commissioner that only weather conditions will prevent him from going ahead with the work. The response, Lynch said, was satisfactory and, he added, that he "now will await results."

The Highway Commissioner complained that Walter was not doing the work as speedily as he had promised and this led Lynch to believe that the contractor was not using his best efforts to complete the job. Walter has promised, Lynch said, to go on with the work by to-morrow morning.

MARKET ST. GRADING BIDS

Stucker Brothers' Construction Company Submitted the Low Proposal

Stucker Brothers' Construction Company was the low bidder when proposals were opened by Highway Commissioner Lynch at noon to-day for the grading of Market street from Twenty-first street to the eastern city line. The contract was not awarded. The bids were as follows:

Central Construction & Supply Co., \$5,355; David C. Ott & Son, Camp Hill, \$5,250; Stucker Brothers' Construction Company, \$3,554; William H. Murphy & Son, Chambersburg, \$4,864.12 1/2; Howard O. Firor, Baltimore, Md., \$6,069; S. W. Shoemaker & Son, \$6,143.50.

WOULD BUY PLAY PLOT FOR \$27,000

Taylor Asks City to Purchase Site at Fifth and Emerald for That Price

HIS COLLEAGUES SHOW SURPRISE

Lynch and Bowman Say Ordinance Will Never Go Through in Its Present Form—Fire Apparatus Purchase Delayed

A few minutes before M. Harvey Taylor, Park and Fire Commissioner, had planned formally to announce this afternoon that he recommended awarding a contract for furnishing the city with three motor tractors for fire apparatus to an out-of-town concern in preference to the Morton Truck and Tractor Company, of this city, the low bidder, the Morton Company sent a letter to the City Commissioners asking to withdraw its bids.

The request covered the company's proposals on the three tractors and also on two combination chemical wagons which the city proposes to buy. Taylor then said to his colleagues that the delay in making the fire apparatus awards was due to the local firm's request to examine its machines. He remarked:

"As I had included the Morton company in the recommendations I had proposed to make to the Commission to-day, I am obliged to announce that I am not now prepared to make a recommendation of an award."

Taylor said it would be possible to make the Morton Company suffer financially through its action in withdrawing, adding that he could, "if I wanted to be as unfair as they have been to me," award the contract for furnishing the two combination wagons to them, and if they did not accept it, then the \$200 certified check deposited by the company as an evidence of good faith to furnish the apparatus could be retained by the city.

When asked if he planned to do this, Taylor said:

"I do not care to discuss the matter further."

Taylor later threw a scare into his Republican colleagues by introducing a measure under which he proposes to pay \$27,000 to John C. Orr for a playground site at Fifth and Emerald streets, in the Tenth ward. The ground fronts 493 feet on Fifth street, 300 on Emerald and 405 on Fourth street.

Lynch and Bowman, Republicans, candidly admitted that they were amazed by the Taylor ordinance.

"That ordinance will never pass in that crude shape," said one of them. Another of Taylor's measures, introduced to-day, provides for the purchase of almost fifteen acres of ground in Swatara and Susquehanna townships for \$4,090. This land he proposes to use to continue the Cameron parkway. Amos E. Emers is to be paid \$1,850 for 2.53 acres and the Paxtang Cemetery Association is to get \$2,240 for 12.3 acres.

WOULD BUY MORE FIRE HOSE

The third ordinance offered by Taylor carries an appropriation of \$1,850 for fire hose. It is believed that 2,500 feet of new hose can be obtained for that money. His last measure provides for repairs to the Friendship fire engine, the cost of which shall not exceed \$500.

Agreeing to give the city dairymen an opportunity to be heard on the several matters in question, Commissioner Bowman this afternoon withdrew the measure amending the Health Bureau's food rules. The amendments chiefly apply to the dairymen, who will meet with the members of the Health Board and Commissioner Bowman to-morrow evening.

William D. Block was reappointed license tax officer for the year 1915, at the salary he now receives, \$1,200 a year. Bowman made the nomination. Ordinances passed finally include those: Opening Carlisle street, Holly to Derry; regulating the department of the City Forester, and authorizing the purchase of three city seals.

REDUCE FARES FOR DOMINES

Transportation Companies Authorized to Cut Rates for Clergymen

Railroads and street railway companies are authorized to issue transportation at special reduced rates to ministers of religion under the terms of a bill passed finally in the House this morning. The vote was 142 to 22. The present public service law was construed to mean that lower rates could not be granted to ministers.

PULLS TRIGGER WITH TOE
Adams County Farmer's Debts Worry Him Into Suicide
By Associated Press.
York, Pa., March 23.—Worried by obligations facing him on April 1, the annual "settlement day" in this locality, William Shultz, fifty years old, an Adams county farmer, blew out his brains this morning.

He tied his shotgun to the bed post and pulled the trigger with his toe.

NEW JERSEY DEFERS LOCAL OPTION
By Associated Press.
Trenton, N. J., March 23.—The municipal local option bill was defeated in the lower house of the New Jersey Legislature early to-day by a vote of 43 to 13. The measure which was known as the Gaunt bill passed the Senate about a month ago.

FULL CREW LAW FIGHT ON IN SENATE CHAMBER

Hundreds of Railroad Men Attend Hearing Before Joint Committee of the Legislature, Starting Late This Afternoon

The first hearing on the bill to repeal the full crew law passed by the Legislature of 1913 was held before the joint Senate and House Committee on Railroads in the Senate chamber this afternoon, the occasion being the presentation by the railroad companies of their side of the case, favoring the repeal. The railroad trainmen will be heard at a meeting to be held next week.

A great crowd of railroad men were present, representing all branches of railroad interests, men prominent in the conduct of the roads and the men who do the manual work on the roads, trains and in the yards and offices. At least 500 were on the Senate floor and the galleries were crowded.

The railroad companies were represented by George F. O'Donnell, chairman of the railroad committee made up of officials of the various trunk lines, with C. Stuart Patterson and William I. Schafer, for counsel, and the trainmen were represented by the legislative committees of the Brotherhood of Railway Conductors and the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, with James Searlet, of Danville, and former Attorney General John Bell, of Philadelphia, as counsel. Numerous other attorneys representing the roads were in the room. All of the committeemen were present.

WORK FOR THE UNEMPLOYED

Representative Maurer Introduces Bill in House To-day Appropriating \$2,000,000 For the Purpose

Representative Maurer, of Berks, introduced a bill in the House to-day appropriating \$2,000,000 of State funds to furnish work for involuntarily unemployed and providing for a commission consisting of the Governor, Auditor General and Commissioner of Labor and Industry to carry out the provisions of the bill.

Other bills introduced were: Mr. Milliron, Armstrong—Providing for monthly pay for county school superintendents.
Mr. Graham, Philadelphia—Appropriating \$75,000 for a tract of land for the extension of the Eastern penitentiary.
Mr. Binn, Lehigh—Requiring railroads to remove annually one grade crossing for each twenty miles of track under a penalty of \$100 a day for failure.

Mr. Geary, Allegheny—Creating a State bureau of accounts to supervise all public accounting in State, county and municipal offices.
Mr. Swartz, Dauphin—Repealing the act of 1905 which required the examination and licensing of stationery engineers in cities of the second and third class.

The House took a recess at 1 o'clock until 7:30 o'clock this evening.

BILLS PASSED FINALLY BY HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Bills passed finally in the House of Representatives to-day included:

Increasing the clerk hire allowance of Judges of the Superior Court from \$1,500 to \$2,500 a year.

Increasing the number of pre-emptory challenges in felony and misdemeanor cases, providing for 20 challenges inoyer and terminer; 12 in felony cases, bribery, arson, embezzlement and election cases.

Giving district attorneys power to employ expert witnesses in criminal cases with the permission of the court and authorizing the payment of fees out of county treasury.

Permitting a Judge to appoint a first assistant clerk for orphans' court.

Authorizing counties and municipalities to unite in providing rest rooms in court houses.

OPTION DISCUSSION DELAYED

House Law and Order Committee Will Not Meet Until To-morrow

The House Law and Order Committee did not meet to-day to take up the local option bill, as intended, but Chairman Williams said he has called a meeting for to-morrow afternoon. He was not certain whether anything will be done in the matter of local option, and he intimated that action will be postponed.

"We have a large number of bills that have accumulated since our last meeting," said Chairman Williams, "and we will dispose of them in order to get them out of the way for more important matters."

A preliminary hearing on the merits of the local option bill will be held in the hall of the House on April 6.

MRS. REILY IS BURIED TO-DAY

Her Seven Brothers Act as Pallbearers in Services This Afternoon

Funeral services for Mrs. Louise Harrison Reily, wife of George W. Reily, Jr., were held at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the Reily homestead at Front and Reily streets. They were conducted by the Rev. Dr. C. I. Scofield, of New York, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Harris Gregg, of St. Louis.

Seven of Mrs. Reily's brothers acted as pallbearers. They are Charles K. Bolling H. Hall, Hartman K. Evelyn, John and Philip Harrison. The eighth pallbearer was Lesley McGrath.

Following the services at the home, burial was made privately in the family plot in the Harrisburg cemetery. Mrs. Reily's death occurred on Sunday morning in Philadelphia.

DEMANDS \$2,500 BAIL FOR CROOK

Court Will Not Let Mercer Go to Aid New York Authorities Without Bond

RECORD OF THE PRISONER AIRED

Man Convicted of Forgery Here Has Been Involved in Many Clever Swindles in York State—Helped Prosecutors as Stool Pigeon

That H. R. Mercer who with Fred LeBrun is in jail here awaiting sentence on several charges of forgery, is a notorious crook, confidence man and perjurer and played a skillful part in some daring swindles that have caused almost endless trouble for the New York state authorities, was the declaration made in court here last evening by William J. Fallon, Assistant District Attorney, of West Chester county, New York.

Fallon told Judges Kunkel and McCarrel that his mission to Harrisburg was largely brought about by District Attorney Perkins, of New York county. It was for the purpose of obtaining the freedom but the custody of Mercer, so that the defendant could be taken back to New York State and used as a "stool pigeon" and in other ways to gather evidence in prosecuting a lawyer named O'Neill and his alleged understudy, a man named Peck.

O'Neill and Peck, Fallon said, are men who, the New York authorities expect to show, trumped up damage suits against railroad companies and other industrial corporations and, by means of artifice, obtained big verdicts,—one a \$75,000 decision said to be the largest ever rendered by a New York jury.

Hints at Penitentiary Terms
Mercer himself escaped a prison term in New York state in 1909, after having been convicted of grand larceny in the second degree, only because he aided the then District Attorney of New York in the prosecution of several other criminal cases, Fallon informed the local judges. Mercer now is under indictment on a somewhat similar charge, in New York county and while Fallon said his plan is to requisition Mercer from Harrisburg to New York county, Mercer immediately is to be turned over to the West Chester county authorities to appear against O'Neill, Peck is under indictment in The Bronx.

Judge Kunkel, Judge McCarrel and District Attorney Stroup all thought it unwise to let Mercer go scot free on the charges upon which he has been convicted here, all saying that to extend clemency to Mercer as a courtesy to the New Yorkers would be doing so at the expense of Pennsylvania justice.

Judge McCarrel several times hinted at the court's intention to send both Mercer and LeBrun to the penitentiary, suggesting to Fallon that he could ably carry out his plans and set the custody of Mercer by obtaining a writ of habeas corpus to permit Mercer to go to New York to testify, on the penitentiary warden, and later return him to that penal institution to finish serving his sentence.

But that idea didn't appeal to Fallon. He said by way of suggestion to the court:

"Do not suspend sentence, but place the defendant in my custody, as an officer of the New York Commonwealth."

Fallon's plan was not agreeable to the judges, however, in view of the danger of Mercer escaping.

Local Court Demands Bond

Subsequently the court postponed sentencing Mercer and LeBrun for two weeks, saying that if Fallon produces a \$2,500 bond to guarantee Mercer's return to this state for the crook on the charges upon which the crook has been convicted here, a motion to suspend sentence temporarily might be considered.

As Fallon and other prosecuting officers of New York City are acting indirectly in behalf of railroads that suffered at the hands of alleged swindlers, the local Judges pointed out to Fallon that those "clients" possibly would furnish the necessary bond.

Judge Kunkel declared point blank that he is inclined to let the law take its course unless the New York authorities furnish the required bond as one of the evidences of good faith in their promise to return Mercer. The Judge was opposed especially to "freeing" Mercer since a New York Judge once granted the defendant clemency and directed him to leave the state of New York.

Mercer did so and, according to the authorities, has been causing Pennsylvania people no end of trouble ever since.

President of Wilson College Resigns

By Associated Press. Chambersburg, Pa., March 23.—Dr. Anna J. McKeng, president of Wilson College, to-day resigned to become head of a new department at Wellesley College. The resignation is to take effect on August 1.

Wife of Mormon Church Head Dies

Salt Lake City, Utah, March 23.—Mrs. Sarah Ellen Richards Smith, wife of President Joseph F. Smith, of the Mormon Church, died yesterday. She was born in this city in 1850.

Three Inches of Snow in Texas

Long View, Texas, March 23.—Three inches of snow over the ground here to-day. This is the latest date snow has ever fallen in this section.

LATE WAR NEWS SUMMARY

The latest Russian invasion of Germany is said at Berlin to have met with the same fate as its predecessors. To-day's official German communication contains the announcement that the Russian forces which captured Memel, at the northern end of East Prussia, have been driven back and that German troops, pursuing them across the border, have captured the Russian town of Krottingen. No confirmation has been received from Russian sources.

The Russians are still on the offensive in Northern Poland, but so far as the day's dispatches show their attacks have been attended by no important results. The German war office asserts that the Russians have been driven back in every instance.

Apart from a few small movements such as have been in progress for several months, the initiative in France and Belgium yesterday was left to the airman. Aviators of the allies attacked Ostend and German aeroplanes dropped bombs on Rheims. The German communiqué said:

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Sweden to Tax Profits of War

Copenhagen, via London, March 23, 3.21 A. M.—The "Politiken" says that the Swedish government is preparing a bill which provides for the imposition of heavy taxes on all those whose profits have increased as a result of the war.

Heavy Reduction in Milk Supply

Venice, via London, March 23, 3.38 A. M.—Advice from Budapest says that the daily milk supply has fallen from 60,000 gallons to 20,000 gallons and that the ministry of the interior has forbidden cafes to serve coffee after 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Wants Room for Dardanelles Wounded

Valetta, Island of Malta, March 23.—The Governor of Malta has appealed to local residents to take convalescents from the hospitals in their homes, thus making room in the hospitals for the wounded who are expected from the Dardanelles.

AFTER THE SCALP OF FOUST

Philadelphia Politicians Are Trying to Have Cassidy Put at Head of Food Commission

Philadelphia politicians are after the job now held by James Foust, of Blair county—that of Pure Food Commissioner—and will ask Governor Brumbaugh to appoint Harry P. Cassidy, of Philadelphia, to the place. Cassidy was formerly an agent of the Pure Food division and worked in the eastern part of the State.

Mr. Foust has been connected with the Agricultural Department as head of the Pure Food division for a number of years, and has been instrumental in obtaining some stringent pure food laws. Under these laws, he has collected for the State funds aggregating many thousands of dollars. Foust is a personal friend of Governor Brumbaugh and comes from the Juniata Valley. His friends will contest any effort to have him displaced.

POLICEMAN LOSES HIS UNIFORM

"Pat" Hylan, Ambulance Driver, Discards Coat and Cap to Get Fugitive

The capture of Clarence Ross, the 12-year-old colored lad who escaped from the police station yesterday where he was held for juvenile court next Friday, cost "Pat" Hylan driver of the ambulance some uneasiness when he lost his coat and cap in giving chase to the lad.

"Pat" had determined to play regular detective, and in order not to arouse suspicion took off his coat and cap and checked them into an automobile standing in front of the Harrisburg bakery plant on South Cameron street. In the meantime the owner of the machine, Bernard Schmidt, came out of the bakery, jumped into the car and drove away, leaving "Pat" without his coat and cap for more than an hour and a half.

The lad, finding himself cornered, at last gave himself up, being captured in an old stable on South Cameron street. Clarence was again returned to the basement of the police station, where he will be held until Friday, there being no detention house where juveniles can be placed.

WOOD BLOCK STREET SIGNS

E. B. Hoffman Gets the Contract to Furnish 1,400 Index Boards

A wood block street sign, having three-inch black letters and a steel background, this afternoon was adopted by the City Commissioners as the logical index board to be used in Harrisburg. Consequently the contract for 1,400 of that type of signs was awarded to E. B. Hoffman, of this city, at his bid of 50 cents each.

Upwards of 500 of these signs are now in use in the city and City Commissioner Lynch, who recommended this particular sign, suggested that all can be preserved by repainting. Bids on enamel signs run from 24 to 32 cents each; tile, \$1.25 each; copper, \$1.82; castiron, 48 to 55 cents.

An appropriation of \$2,500 has been made to cover the cost of these street signs although it is believed that less than that amount will be needed, since the cost of erecting the signs will not be extremely heavy.

CHIPPewa INDIAN, 105, DIES

Woman Was Last Known of Native Ohio Redskins of Full Blood

Toledo, O., March 23.—Mrs. Victoria Cadaract, aged 105, died last night in Ottawa county infirmary, near Oak Harbor. Mrs. Cadaract was a Chippewa Indian and was the last known of the native Ohio Indians of the full blood.

Until ten days ago she lived alone in a cabin near Curtice. She was found there unconscious with a hip dislocated.

FINAL SCENE IN PRZEMYSL SURRENDER

Austrian Troops Fought Desperately in Last Battle Before Giving Up Fortress

100,000 MEN IN THE GARRISON

Russians Now Preparing for Violent Offensive in Carpathians, and With Force of 750,000 Men Will Attempt to Break Austrian Line

London, March 23, 2.55 A. M.—According to the Petrograd correspondent of the "Morning Post" the Przemysl garrison opened negotiations for surrender on Saturday, but nothing came of this. Then during the course of the night of March 20-21 a sortie was attempted. This was the last straw. Throughout Sunday negotiations for terms proceeded and the surrender was effected Monday morning. The garrison consisted of 100,000 men, this correspondent says.

A Petrograd dispatch to the "Daily Telegraph" says that simultaneously with the capture of Memel, the Germans were expelled from Traugogen and flung back to their frontier.

Gigantic Battle Expected Soon

Information from an Austrian source to the "National Tidende" of Copenhagen says the Russians are preparing for a violent offensive in the Carpathians. They have assembled 750,000 men for this purpose and will make an attempt to break the Austrian line. A gigantic battle is expected, as Austria is bringing up all possible reinforcements to meet the attack.

The "Daily Mail's" Petrograd correspondent says: "The end came quickly after a fight on Friday for possession of a hill 400 feet high, overlooking the fortress of Przemysl. The Austrian troops fought desperately until 2 o'clock in the afternoon. They were then hurled back, leaving 4,000 prisoners in the hands of the Russians as well as hundreds of dead."

Description of Last Battle

Petrograd, via London, March 23, 8.21 A. M.—Events which preceded the final desperate sortie of the beleaguered garrison in the Austrian fortress of Przemysl, designed to break through the encircling ring of Russian troops, are described in an official communication issued here last night. The statement says:

"During the last days before the final sortie the garrison received increased rations. Each soldier was given biscuits to last five days, warm, new clothing and new boots. Officers were instructed to explain to the troops that if they returned to the fortress an inglorious fate awaited them and conse-

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PART OF WOUNDED SOLDIER'S BRAIN REMOVED; HE LIVES

Paris, March 23, 4.50 A. M.—An operation performed by Dr. Guipen by which a part of a wounded soldier's brain was removed without the patient suffering serious consequence was described before the Academy of Sciences last night by Dr. Lavrain.

The soldier, Dr. Lavrain said, was taken to a military hospital with a penetrating wound in the occipital region of his cranium. Splinters of bone caused abscesses to form in the left cerebral hemisphere. These were removed but fresh ones formed and Dr. Guipen was obliged on two occasions to remove portions of the brain which protruded from the wound. Thus the patient lost at least a third of the left cerebral hemisphere, but shows no particular signs, either of mental or physical trouble.

CONTRABAND AMMUNITION IS FOUND ON BOARD THE FINLAND

Naples, via Paris, March 23, 7.35 A. M.—Contraband ammunition was found on board the steamer Finland by officials here, according to dispatches printed in Naples newspapers. It is said that six customs guards are accompanying the steamer to Genoa for a thorough search there, as it is believed the cargo contains more contraband than was found here.

The Finland is a steamer of 9,572 tons, which sailed from New York February 27 for Gibraltar, where she arrived March 9 and then cleared for Naples and Genoa.

WALL STREET CLOSING

New York, March 23.—Buoyancy characterized the final dealings, Reading, Steel and Amalgamated extending previous gains. The closing was strong. Very active trading at the highest average level of the year attended to-day's market operations. Standard shares were most prominent, with substantial advances.