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THE FINEST LINE OF
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Done in first class order and as
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- Linen Department.** Everything in table linens, napkins, towels, toweling, crases, linen sheeting, everything in the linen line.
- Domestic Department.** Muslins, sheetings, pillow casings, outting, tickings, shirtings, cretons, silkolines, prints, percales, flannels blankets, comforts, skirting, etc., this department is complete, nothing wanting.
- Dress Goods and Silks.** This department has taken more room to display the stock; it's larger than ever. All the new things you'll find here.
- Notions and Fancy Goods.** This department would make a large sized store in itself. Here you will find small wears, laces, dress trimming, gimps, braids, veilings, nets, toilet articles, soaps, stamped linens and fancy goods.
- Hosiery and Gloves.** Kid gloves, knit gloves, fabric gloves, hosiery of all kinds for men, women and children. Everything in the hosiery line can be found here.
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- Corsets.** 25 different kinds found here. We are sure to please you; price, 50c to \$2.50, all the new shapes.
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The Shopbell Dry Good Co.

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Special attention given to collections.
All matters left to the care of this office will be promptly attended to.

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One of the largest and best equipped hotels in this section of the state.
Table of the best. Rates 1.00 dollar per day. Large stables.

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Land Surveyor Engineer and Conveyancer.
Relocating old lines and corners, and drawing maps as specialty.
Will usually be found at home on Mondays. Charges reasonable.
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Newly furnished throughout, special attention given to the wants of the traveling public. Bar stocked with first class wines, liquors and cigars. The best beer on the market always on tap.
Rates Reasonable.

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THOS. E. KENNEDY, Prop.
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This large and well appointed house is the most popular hostelry in this section

LAPORTE HOTEL.
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WM P. SHOEMAKER,
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Does a General Banking Business.
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OFFICE ON MAIN STREET.
DUSHORE, PA.

IT'S WORTH WHILE

to step in and absorb a little General Knowledge that is to be found in a really down to date General Store.

The new things for Spring and Summer are now on

EXHIBITION

STEP IN AND ASK ABOUT THEM.

All answered
Vernon Hull
Large Store
Hillsgrove, Pa.

CERVERA TO BE CALLED

Spanish Admiral as a Witness at Schley Court of Inquiry.

CAPTAIN EULATE MAY TESTIFY

Precept Mailed To Admiral Dewey Today—Nothing Has Been Heard From Kimberley So Far—Session May Lat for Months.

Washington, July 27.—It is said today that Admiral Schley desires it, Judge Advocate General Lemly will call upon Admiral Cervera and Captain Eulate of the Spanish navy as witnesses. Of course the court of inquiry has no authority to compel their attendance and it is more than doubtful whether they would respond to a summons, but the opportunity will be afforded. General Lemly is now proceeding with the preparation of his case. He will examine all documents and prepare a list of witnesses. The court probably will sit for several months, more than likely until after congress meets in December. He has not decided who the witnesses before the court will be. They may be taken from the navy, from the army or from civil life—for undoubtedly some of the newspaper correspondents will be called.

The precept to the court, which the navy department has been preparing for several days was given to the public tonight. It is a document addressed to Admiral Dewey, as president of the court, instructing him concerning the matters to be investigated. While it hints that the "entire matter" of Admiral Schley's conduct during the operations in West Indian waters shall be investigated, making use of the very words employed by Admiral Schley in his letter to Secretary Long, it also sets certain distinctive acts of the admiral concerning the facts and priority of which it calls for particular investigation. These points cover briefly Admiral Schley's alleged delay in the flying squadron at Cienfuegos, the slowness of his progress toward Santiago after leaving Cienfuegos, the retrograde movement toward Key West, the effectiveness of the bombardment of the Spanish fleet at the rages used in the reconnaissance of the straits, the state of the coal supply on various ships when he telegraphed to the department that he would return to Key West, the loop of the Brooklyn at Santiago, the accuracy of his reports, and matters relating to the controversy between him and Commander Higson over the alleged colloquy which is said to have taken place aboard the Brooklyn when the loop was made during the naval engagement off Santiago.

With the exception of the last two counts, the others practically sum up the criticisms of Admiral Schley's conduct made by Secretary Long to the senate, which the secretary characterized as Schley's "reprehensible conduct." One of the important points in the precept is the direction to the court to report in its conclusions "all the pertinent facts which it may deem to be established, together with its opinion and recommendations in the premises."

No word has been received from Admiral Kimberley who, it was reported, had written to the department saying that his health made it inadvisable for him to attempt to serve on the court. He will not be officially notified of his selection as a member of the court until he receives the precept which was mailed to him yesterday. A copy of the precept also will be sent to Admiral Dewey and Rear Admirals Benham and Schley.

Newport, R. I., July 27.—"Schley's call for a court of inquiry," said Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, "is what every one in the navy has been hoping for throughout the past two years. Navy officers have wanted to see this whole question cleared up and Admiral Schley's character vindicated, if he can be proven to be innocent of the charges made against him."

Clevelanders Help India's Children.
Cleveland, O., July 29.—In response to appeals by Rev. Mark Muller, a missionary to India, 50 boys and girls in that far off country will be cared for until maturity by the contributions of Clevelanders who are in attendance at the annual session of the Seulah Park camp meeting, a religious resort a few miles east of this city. The sum of \$15 will keep a child for a year.

An Unsuccessful Suitor's Revenge.
Muncie, Ind., July 29.—Peter Tillbury, an iron worker, called at the home of Kate Phinney last night and threw carbolic acid into the face of Mrs. Mary Terrey, a guest, destroying her eyes and burning her neck, breast and arms frightfully. The man had pleaded with the woman to marry him for years.

Some one hurled a stone through one of the windows of the forward day coach of a Baltimore and Ohio railroad train at Ridley station yesterday, striking Mrs. A. D. Mullinix. Her injuries are not serious.

STRIKE NEARING AN END.

Agreement Between Steel Officials and Men Expected This Week.

Pittsburg, July 29.—The strike of the steel and tin workers of the Amalgamated Association against the United States Steel corporation will probably be settled this week. The conference held in New York Saturday between the officials of the United States Steel corporation and President Shaffer and Secretary John Williams, of the workers' organization, has resulted in paving the way for renewal of negotiations between the two conflicting interests. It is said that a basis for such a conference has been arrived at. This basis is still locked up in the minds of the officials of the two organizations and will not be divulged until later this week. If the basis is satisfactory to the general executive committee of the Amalgamated Association the conference between the association and the manufacturers will proceed at once. If, on the other hand, the basis is not what the Amalgamated Association will permit to be considered as negotiable grounds the strike will be continued with the same vigor as at present and with indefinite time for its ending.

NEW MAINE LAUNCHED.

Receives Her First Introduction to the Water in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, July 27.—The new battleship Maine was launched from Cramp's shipyard at 10.45 o'clock this morning. Miss Mary Preble Anderson, of Portland, Me., gracefully broke the bottle of wine and christened the magnificent new ship. Thousands of spectators cheered wildly as the ship glided into the water. Miss Preble is a descendant of the Preble family, which became famous in the naval annals of this country.

The Maine is a sister ship of the Ohio, recently launched at the Union Iron Works, San Francisco, and of the Missouri, at the Newport News shipyard. Her keel was laid in the spring of 1899, and the contract price of the hull and machinery alone is \$2,899,000. Her complement is 35 officers and 511 men.

IS MCGRAW A TRAITOR?

Said To Be Dickering With the National League.

Chicago, July 27.—The Tribune today said: "The breach between President Johnson of the American League and Manager McGraw of the Baltimore club, which has been gradually widening since early in the season, has become a hopeless chasm. McGraw is charged with a scheme to disrupt the American League. Ever since McGraw was suspended in May he has been nursing his wrath and even threatening civil war openly."

"The latest charge against McGraw is that he is scheming to turn his club back into the National League, with four others, in a movement to increase the National's circuit to twelve clubs next year. McGraw denies the charges."

CHOATE AS A MEDIATOR.

Rumor That Kruger Has Asked American Ambassador's Services.

London, July 29.—"United States Ambassador Choate has left London for Holland," says The Daily Express, "not for a holiday, but—so rumor says—at the invitation of Mr. Kruger, who desires him to act as a mediator in bringing about a settlement."

"It would naturally be supposed that a settlement could not take place without the irrepresible Dr. Leyds, but if Mr. Choate has gone to Holland Dr. Leyds has left the country for Brussels, starting Saturday."

No importance is attached to this rumor by The Daily Express, for the paper refers to it editorially in a facetious vein as a "South African gooseberry."

Porto Rico Sprucing Up.

San Juan, Porto Rico, July 29.—Events have already proved that the tax law drawn up by the legislators of this island will provide ample means for the island's requirements. This indicates that Porto Rico is more prosperous than it was a couple of years ago. Steady improvement has been made since the day General Miles landed at Guanica three years ago. The people are in better physical condition and work with more spirit. Plantations that went unworked for a long time are beginning to show signs of prosperity.

Made a Fatal Dash for Liberty.

Monticello, Fla., July 29.—Simon Williams, condemned to death for the murder of Deputy Sheriff Hawkins, and sentenced to hang August 3, made a dash for liberty yesterday afternoon. He shot Deputy Sheriff Kilpatrick in the chest and succeeded in reaching the street. The deputy followed, however, and after a 200-yard chase shot Williams dead. The deputy is in a critical condition.

Fell Six Hundred Feet.

Geneva, July 29.—Frederick Horrl, of Geneva, Switzerland, while picking strawberries, fell 600 feet into a valley.

PRATT'S DAY IN JAIL.

West Chester's Alleged Wife Murderer Preserves Indifference.

MRS. FARRER TELLS OF VISITS

Little Willie Wise Says He Heard a Woman Crying, and That There Was Blood on Pratt's Forehead and His Finger Nails.

West Chester, Pa., July 29.—William H. Pratt, charged with having murdered his wife, spent yesterday in jail. His air of stolid indifference is still maintained. In contrast to his outward calm was the stormy mood of the "other woman," Mrs. Nettie Farrer. She is filled with wrath at William H. Pratt, and she expressed her mind with vigor as she sat in her brother's parlor in West Market street. "A man who will tell the lies Pratt told me ought to be in jail," declared Mrs. Farrer, with decision. "He has been coming to see me since last April. Oh, no; he did not call on me while my husband was living. It is since I have been a widow that I received his attentions. I never would have let him come had he not assured me his wife was going to die. You see, I thought it was all right for him to come, that being true. He would soon be a widower myself."

"I never would see his face again. If he killed my wife I certainly hope he will get a just deserts. He ought to be killed as justly the same way he killed her, if he did it. He always seemed to want me to think he was kind to his wife, but he certainly did convince me that she was about to die."

Another figure that will occupy a large place in the Pratt case is that of tow-headed little Willie Wise, one of the berry pickers on the farm at the time Mrs. Pratt was killed. Here is his story:

"Me and Georgie McGrogan—he's 6 years old—went to Mr. Pratt after dinner to see if he didn't want some berries picked. Him and Wilbur were in the yard by the barn when we found him. He told us to go to work, and we went into the corn field and picked along the fence. Then we heard somebody say 'Pratt's Prats,' and we stopped picking and listened."

"There must be somebody hurt up there," I said to Georgie.

"Then we started to the house. We could still hear the crying as if someone was hurting. We could hear 'Oh, papa, papa! Oh! Oh! Oh!' It sounded like Mrs. Pratt."

"Then Mr. Pratt came out of the house and said: 'Put the berries on the bench, boys, and come back tomorrow, and I'll pay you.' He said Mrs. Pratt was sick and he was going for the doctor."

"He came to the pump and washed his hands and face. There was blood on his forehead, just over the nose. There was blood all around his finger nails. He washed the spots off."

"He had on his dirty clothes when he sent us to pick berries. When we came back he had on a better suit. When we first saw him he wore gray pants and a dirty white shirt. When we came in with the berries he wore black pants and a black coat buttoned tightly. I could not see his shirt. When we went to pick berries the horse was not harnessed. When we came back from the field it was standing, harnessed. He just hitched up and went away."

"Georgie came home wildly excited," said Mrs. McGrogan. "He was too little to know what had happened, but he had an incoherent story about Mrs. Pratt's screams and declared the dogs were killing her. We had had trouble with dogs, and Georgie associated them with trouble of any sort."

S. P. Reid, one of the leading attorneys will assist the commonwealth.

Heroes, Both of Them.

Louisville, July 29.—It develops that Max Belovitch, the cigar manufacturer, who lost his life in the fire that destroyed the Badgely-Graham photographic supply store here Saturday, dashed up the stairs to save the life of a young woman, to whom he was greatly attached and who, he thought, was in a flat above. Policeman James Pardon, who also lost his life, went upstairs in the burning building in an effort to save Belovitch.

Record Breaking Trip From Dawson.

Victoria, B. C., July 29.—The steamer Islander from Skagway yesterday brought passengers who came from Dawson here in less than six days, breaking past records. She brought \$70,000 in gold.

Record Breaking Lunch of Cigars.

New York, July 29.—The New York and Porto Rico company's steamer Ponce, Captain Sargent, arrived yesterday from Porto Rico. She brought 575,400 cigars, said to be the largest shipment of manufactured tobacco brought to this port by any steamer.