PREPARING FOR WAR.

Japan Is Making Energetic Preparations for Trouble.

CRISIS BETWEEN EMPEROR AND CZAR

Attention is Directed More to Korea Than China -Russia's Apparent Withdrawal or Modification of Her Demands Quite Fails to Restore Confidence in an Amicable Settlement of the Problem.

London (By Cable).-The Far Eastern situation continues an enigma to all European observers. Russia's apparent withdrawal or modification of her demands quite fails to restore confidence in an amicable settlement of the prob-It is pointed out with melancholy truth by one English writer that trifling with the Anglo-Russian incident at the Tientsin railway siding will probably cost Great Britain at least £ 20,000,000

It was the news of this incident and the possibility of a conflict between Russia and Great Britain, it is now learned, which caused Botha's rejection of General Kitchener's peace terms.

Attention is directed more to Korea than to China at the present moment, the belief being general that the crisis between Russia and Japan is really

grave.

There is ample information that Japan is making energetic preparations for

It may be taken for granted in this connection that Great Britain is fully aware of all that Japan is doing and also of her ultimate plans. The failure of the African peace negotiations may have some effect upon Japan's action.

Five Firemen Injured in Kansas Fire.

Kansas City, Mo. (Special).-A fire in which \$200,000 worth of property was destroyed and five firemen, including Chief Hale, were injured, occurred at the Jacob Dold Packing Company's plant, on Eighth street, near the Kan-sts line. The fire burned fiercely for three hours, during which time the firemen worked to prevent its spreading to the other buildings, but when the fire was under control the main building was a total wreck.

Hounds Trailing Bank Robbers.

Somerset, O. (Special).—The Sheriff pf Perry county and a posse, with a pack of bloodhounds, are in pursuit of a gang of seven robbers who wrecked the State Bank of Somerset, stole \$5000. appropriated two livery rigs, held posse of citizens at bay, and escaped in the face of a heavy fire. Bonds and securities to the amount of \$30,000 and \$5000 in gold coin were overlooked by the bandits. The bank was fully insured and its business will not be in-

Massacre of Gold-Seekers.

Phenix, Ariz. (Special).—It is reported that a party of gold seekers was massacred by Ceris Indians on the Island of Tiburon, in the Gulf of California. Two weeks ago six Mexican prospectors left Tepopa, on the west coast of Mexico, in a small boat and went to Tiburon Island. Pedro Parquila, one of the party, has reached the mainland and reported a fierce fight with the Indians. He escaped and believes his companions

To Admit Hawalian Chinese.

San Francisco (Special).-Collector of the Port Stratton has received an opinion from Attorney General Griggs affirming the right of Chinese who were citizens of the Hawaiian Islands prior to August 12, 1898, by birth or naturalization, to enter the United States. I was clearly the intent of Congress, the Attorney General is quoted as saying, to throw the cloak of adoption over all who were Hawaiian citizens on the date mentioned in the treaty.

Died From Enting Teaberries.

Hazleton, Pa. (Special).-Rose, a 4year-old daughter of Augustus and Agnes Billman, of West Hazleton, died as a result of eating teaberries. Two of her sisters were in the woods on Saturday afternoon gathering these ber-ries and when they returned they shared their berries with Rose, who are a large number of them. Shortly after the child was taken with convulsions. A physi-cian was called in, but could not save the child.

This Robber Was Polite.

Paterson, N. J. (Special).—A robber a who entered the residence of the late Vice-President Hobart Sunday night and who departed without any booty on finding the silverware marked, left the following note in a loving cup which had been given to Mrs. Hobart by the Old Ladies' Home Society for charitable work: "I humbly beg your pardon. I do not want to rob good people."

The Cancer Parasite.

Buffalo, N. Y. (Special) .- "Cancer is caused by an animal parasite, which we have identified and located in the New York State Cancer Laboratory." said Prof. H. R. Gaylord, of the Uni-versity of Buffalo, who has charge of the laboratory. A peculiar feature about the parasite is the length of time required to develop a culture, and this, Prof. Gaylord said, accounted for the failure to fully identify it before.

Complaisant Officer's Discomfiture.

Moundsville, W. Va. (Special) —Contable J. I. Barnett went to the home of Commons that to offer better terms to the Boers would not be magnanimity, but folly. The Cape rebels, as a sarcus with abducting Dardinger's 17-cape of Commons that to offer better terms to the Boers would not be magnanimity, but folly. The Cape rebels, as a rule, had been worse than the Boers.

The French atacked the camp of Fodi Capital and the same of the cape of the cap stable J. I. Barnett went to the home of John Barcus to serve a warrant sworn out by John Dardinger, charging Barcus with abducting Dardinger's 17-year-old daughter. Barcus asked permission to go upstairs for a heavier coat. The constable waited downstairs for an hour, and then went up to find that his prisoner had dropped 15 feet out of a window and had escaped.

Bank Failure Affects Whole Town.

Oswego, N. Y. (Special).—The bank-ing firm of W. J. Brewster & Co., of Hannibal, this county, failed with lia-bilities of \$125,000. The entire village bilities of \$125,000. The entire village is affected by the failure and many small depositor; in Oswego, Wayne and Cayuga counties suffer severely. Among the depositors, it is said, was the State Grange, Patrons of Husbandry.

Paterson Newspaper Plant Burned.

New York (Special).—Fire at Pater-on, N. J., destroyed the interior of the uilding owned and occupied by the

James Carey Evans Dead.

Buffalo, N. Y. (Special).—James of the United States Brewing Company.

Cary Evans died here. He was born in Baltimore in 1809. In 1855 he, with others, formed the American Transportation. Company, the concern of the will be declared. tation Company, the pioneer of the Great Lakes corporations. Subsequently the firm of which he was a member organized the Evans Line and built the first iron steamer on the Lakes.

Mr. Chamberlain announced in the House of Commons that the negotia-tions with the Boers were closed, and there was no intention of reopening

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS.

Domestic.

City Judge Kellogg, of Yonkers, N. Y., discharged Frank Jones, of New York, who had horsewhipped Samuel Walters because the latter had maligned

Col. John S. Mosby says the South will become richer and more powerful than the North, and that the negroes' status is bound to improve.

Fire broke out in the fine Com-monwealth clubhouse, in Richmond, Va., and the handsome furnishings were

Prince Krapotkin, the Russian exile, delivered a lecture in New York on "Anarchism: Its Philosophy and Ideal." "Anarchism: Its Philosophy and Ideal."
Frederick Young, of Atlantic City, shot at his wife in Philadelphia, and then shot and wounded his sister-in-law.
Benjamin F. Fiery, treasurer of the Martinsburg (W. Va.) Gas Company, died at his home in that city.
Mrs. Mary Welch, of Canastota, N. Y., saturated her clothes with kerosene and set bernelic on fice.

nd set herself on fire. The Victoria Furnace, at Goshen, Va.,

vas closed down, throwing 100 men out Charles Hastings, a dangerous coun-

Charles Hastings, a dangerous counterfeiter, was caught near Welch, W. Va. after a long chase.

President Warfield, of the Fidelity and Deposit Company, of Maryland, arrived in New York on the Lucania, having been successful in establishing a London branch.

Joseph S. Harris, it is reported, will elire from the presidency of the Reading Railroad Company, and George F. Baer, a director, will succeed him.

Watchman Frank Kelly shot and illed Cornelius Doherty, whom he aught with others trying to get into

caught with others trying to get into the Newberry Building in Chicago. Oscar J. Reed, ex-Councilman from Shamokin, Pa., a fugitive from justice, surrendered and began serving his term

four months. The people of Richmond have de-

the people of Richmond have determined to rebuild the Hotel Jefferson, which was destroyed by fire.

H. Goldschlager was arrested in Scranton, Pa., on the charge of setting fire to a stock of clothing.

William Wirt Lyons a great-grand-child of Patrick Henry, died at Lehigh University.

niversity.
The banking firm of W. J. Brewster Co., of Hannibal, N. Y., failed.
Roland Reed, the actor, died at the one of his mother-in-law in New

F. Rawles committed suicide in Newport News, Va.

Three lives were lost in a fire in a New York tenement.

The general committee of the anthra-ite miners has decided against a strike. in an address to the miners recomsends that "as partial recognition of he organization has been secured, and with the hope that a greater degree or which the hope that a greater degree of justice will be obtained in the not distant future." work be continued.

David L. Short and Morris Myers were arrested in New York on the charge of being concerned in the alleged forgery of Millionaire Rice's name to the Petricle will

Samuel B. Wood, clerk of the Circuit ourt, in Hampton, Va., was discovered be \$500 short in his accounts, which,

e says, is due to an error on his part. Mrs. Mary Callahan, of Martinsburg, V. Va., was the fourth member of her family to be carried off by consumption within five years.

There was a panic on the ferryboat Elizabeth, of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, which collided with a steam

Maurice Barrymore, the well-known actor, was sent to the Bellevue Hospital Insane Pavilion, in New York.

A fire destroyed the Augusta, the principal hotel in Hampton, Va., and several stores in the neighborhood.

Herbert Gladstone, in an address to

made a speech in Copenhagen, in reply to an address presented by 500 Danish

The steamer Kron Prinz Wilhelm, of the North German Lloyd Line, was launched at the Vulcan Works, at

Chancellor von Buelow proposes

method to check the continued growth of Polish influences in Germany.

A despatch from St. Petersburg at

the dilatoriness of the Chinese Govern-

Forty Russian students were kept in

litary confinement for a week for par-

udents have committed suicide. The Turkish Sultan, learful of assas-

ticipating in a demonstration. Three

sination, ordered the exclusion of all tourists from the Yildiz Palace.

The Japanese troops in the Pe Chi Li Province are to be relieved by a force

Kabbas, the old slave trader, at Man-dina, in Cambria, West Africa.

The output of coal from Alabama in

900 was 9,400,000 tons, an increase of

Rudolph Keppler has been renom-

inated for a fourth term as president of the New York Stock Exchange.

Several hundred shares of Pennsyl-

The National Steel Company has elected the following directors: F. S. Wheeler, A. D. Carter and M. C. Wick. Seats in the Montreal Stock Exchange

English shareholders have appointed committee to investigate the affairs

vania Steel stock have been deposited since the original time limit expired.

bout 1,000,000 over 1800.

have advanced to \$18,000.

will be declared.

of old family papers.

ov a vote of 303 to 220.

ord Grey in London among a lot

It is asserted that large quantities of Foreign. New scandals are developed daily. Illicit transactions have been traced back The French Government has

stowed upon Captain William E. Hor-ton, U. S. A., a colonial decoration for finding the remains of Baron Dumarais, to June, 1900, and it is possible that there are others of earlier date. a French nobleman murdered by Fili-

uthorized persons.

sary supplies immensely profitable.

It is understood that other United States officers may be arrested.

Filipino If He Declares Allegiance. WHEATON MADE A MAJOR GENERAL. PRESIDENT DISPOSED TO BE LENIENT.

AGUINALDO TO BE TRIED.

FUNSTON NOW A BRIGADIER.

pointment of the Brave Kansan,

Have Been on the Anxious Beach.

Washington (Special).-The question

The following annoucement was made the White House:

This announcement was followed

ment, Quartermaster General's Depart-

ment, and the appointments of chap-

General Loyd Wheaton, just pro-

moted to be major general, was pro-moted to be a brigadier general only a

FRAUDS STIR UP MANILA.

Are Arrested.

sational developments, present and prospective, of frauds in the Commissary Department. How widely these extend

has not yet been ascertained, but enough

Luzon, together with seven commissi sergeants, several civilian clerks,

s already known to justify the belief

eaton, promoted.

few weeks ago.

President McKinley Aunounces the Ap- | A Military Commission Will Deal With

Colonel Smith Also Promoted to Be a Brigaeneral MacArthur Will Make No Bargain With Aguinaldo, Giving Him Freedom in Return dier General -- A Long List of Appointments and Promotions in the Army that Will for Aid in Establishing Recognition of American Soverelgaty-Will Be Held for the Finally Relieve the Suspense of Many Who Present as a Prisoner of War.

Washington (Special).-If Emilio of rewarding General Funston for the Aguinaldo has violated any of the laws capture of Aguinaldo was decided by of war and declines to take the oath of the President at a conference with the allegiance to the United States, he will Secretary of War. The decision of the be tried by a military commission to President is contained in the following be appointed by Major General Macdespatch sent to General MacArthur, at Arthur,

This is the important feature of in-The following appointments made: Wheaton, Major General: Smith and Funston, Brigadier Generals; the Secretary of War joins me in congratulations to all. Corbin."

structions sent by Secretary Root to General MacArthur regarding the disposition to be made of the prisoner.

General MacArthur will make no bargain with Aguinaldo, giving him free-

gain with Aguinaldo, giving him free-dom in return for aid in establishing recognition of American sovereignts at the White House:

"To be Major General United States Army, Brigadier General Loyd Wheaton, vice Miles, promoted Lieutenant. Generals to be Brigadier Generals in the regular army, Colonel Jacob H. Smith, Seventeenth Infantry, Brigadier Generals of Colones and Colones

of Volunteers, vice Daggett, Brigadier General Frederick cate with his former subordinates to the injury of the United States. He will be allowed, if he desires, to take the oath of allegiance and then to acquaint the unston, United States Volunteers, vice later by another giving the appointments decided upon by the President to the Pay Corps, Subsistence Departdone and his views as to their future

It was explained that notwithstanding the fact that Aguinaldo was cap-tured, the President holds that his case omes within the scope of the am proclamation issued by General Mac-Arthur last summer, and the enabling act recently passed by the Philippines

NEW PRESIDENT FOR READING.

Quartermaster, Contractor and Many Others George F. Baer, a Member of the Executive Committee. Manila (By Cable).-Interest in the capture and fate of Aguinaldo is well-nigh overshadowed in Manila by sen-

Philadelphia (Special).-"Announcement during the week of important changes in the management of the Harris will retire from the S. Harris will retire from the presi-dency of the company; George F. Baer, a director of the company and a member of the executive committee, will succeed him.

"The proposed change in the presi-dency of the Reading Company is the result of several recent conferences with Mr. Morgan, who, with the Vanderbilts, the dominating factor in the affairs that company.

prominent government contractor, the The Reading Company owns and the proprietors of three of the largest bakeries in Manila, a number of storecontrols the stock and bonds of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, the stock of the Philadelphia keepers and other persons have been and Reading Coal and Iron Company, and stocks and bonds of various other The investigation has scarcely begun; but thousands of sacks of flour, a quantity of bacon and wagon loads of other goods, all bearing government marks, baye been found in the possession of uncorporations which go to make up the

Chicago (Special). — After having been wounded in a previous attempt at burglary a few hours before. Cornelius Doherty, one of four who attempted to break into the Newberry Building, on It is alleged that the contractor in uestion, who has been doing a business opproximating \$100,000 per month, has spent huge sums in entertaining officers.

A prominent commissary officer is ac-East Ontario street, met a tragic death while running away from Watchman Frank Kelly, who shot him in the left temple and the left thigh. Kelly had cused of leading a scandalously immoral stores have been lost or stolen in tran-sit, and also that there is a shortage in evening, discovering them as they were climbing the fire-escape. He fired sev eral shots at the fugitives, and one, who fell, but regained his feet, is believed to fell, but regained his feet, is beneved, have been Doherty. Shortly after mid-night the men returned. Kelly again The exorbitant tariff on provisions discovered them, and, as the men ran makes the surreptitious sale of commis-fired, killing Doherty.

New War Minister at the Hague.

The Hague (By Cable).-Lieutenant British Government for the war in South Africa and the absence of a clearly defined policy in the East.

Queen Alexandra of Great Britain rection of Colonel Wilder, chief of poannounced March 16 in consequence of an antagonistic vote in the Chamber.

that they are far-reaching.
Capt. Frederick J. Barrows, of the
Thirteenth Volunteer Infantry, quartermaster of the Department of Southern

Reading system."

A Desperate Burglar Killed.

"MOMENTARY SIGNS OF MENTAL DEPRESSION."

The diary of Major Andre was found liam's speeches at the dedication of the soon new barracks, near the imperial castle, f the Emperor Alexander Grenadier Regiment, are still the sensation of the hour. The Vorwaerts vouches for its tributes the delay in the signing of the Russo-Chinese Manchurian treaty to sharpest version of His Majesty's speech. The Hamburger Correspondent also says that the version published in the Kreuz Zeitung is much milder than the Emperor's original words. The press is still puzzling over what caused Emperor William recently to indulge in of such pessimistic talk, and considers his b John G. A. Leishman, the new United States Minister at Turkey, presented his credentials to the Sultan. The law of associations bill finally passed the French Chamber of Deputies

Daniel Williard General Manager. Washington (Special).-Daniel Wil-

lard has been appointed general manager of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, the vacancy being caused by the esignation of Frederick D. Underwood. Willard has been assistant general manager, having come to the Baltimore and Ohio from the Soo Line, where he was superintendent. Previously he was connected with the Central of Vermont and the Lake Shore and Michigan. He is considered an expert in railway econo-Count Boni de Castellane withdrew his suit in Paris against M. de Rodays, the editor of the Figaro.

mies. If he accepts he will be among the youngest general managers in the country, being only 40 years of age. country, being only 40 years of age.

Representative Bellamy in a Fight.

Wilmington, N. C. (Special).-As an outcome of the heated municipal campaign, there was a street fight here between Representative John D. Bellamy and City Attorney Iredell Meares. The written statement by Meares regarding back taxes alleged to be owed the city by Bellamy. Bellamy told Mears that his statement was a lie. Meares responded with a blow and Bellamy defended himself. Both received blows in the face, but neither was badly hurt.

Rev. John Jasper Dead.

Richmond, Va. (Special)—Rev. John
Jasper died at his home here, aged 90
years, and full of the faith that made
him so firm in the literal truth of the
words of the Bible and his own peculiar
trict Court to a charge of having emtheory that the "sun do move." He was ignorant, but bore himself with peculiar native dignity. He was a good and powerful leader of his race, a man respected of all, and though absurd in his well-known theory, was far from being grotesque. His last words were "My work is finished. I am waiting at the river, looking across for other orders."

Berlin (By Cable).-Emperor Wil-(night, to the effect that Germany would soon have to fight against overwhelm-ing odds, is at variance with all the declarations of Count von Bulow, the imperial chancellor, who presents Ger-many as surrounded by friends. The Vorwaerts is of the opinion that the Emperor's speeches are momentary signs of mental depression occasioned the Bremen outrage, which the Emperor continues to attribute to a deep laid plan, instead of regarding it as the irresponsible deed of an epilectic. This Emperor William recently to indulge in such pessimistic talk, and considers his words to be unwarranted by facts. They point out also that the Emperor's prediction answering a toast. Thursday him.

Boy Murderer Sentenced.

Union, W. Va. (Special).-In the Circuit Court here the jury in the case of Charlie Crawford, the 14-year-old boy who shot and killed his 16-year-old rother, Frank, on February 11, because he refused to let him have dogs to go hunting found him guilty of voluntary manslaughter, and he was sentenced to the Reform School till he is 21 years old. The father of the boys is serving a six-year term in the penitentiary for attempting to murder his brother-inlaw, and is also under indictment for

Zimmerman to Pay the Duke's Debts.

London (By Cable).-The Duke of Manchester appeared in the Bankruptcy Court for public examination, but the case was again adjourned to May 10. It was represented that Mr. Zimmer-It was represented that Mr. Zimmer-man, the duke's father-in-law, had just and City Attorney fredeli aleares. The immediate cause of the difficulty was a arrived in England and was investigating the debtor's affairs, and that, thereback taxes alleged to be owed the city by Bellamy. Bellamy told Mears that his statement was a lie. Meares responded with a blow and Bellamy despended with a blow and Bellamy described in the duke's father-in-law, had just arrived in England and was investigation by the forther than the duke's father-in-law, had just arrived in England and was investigation by the forther than the duke's father-in-law, had just arrived in England and was investigation by Bellamy. Bellamy told Mears that the duke's father-in-law, had just arrived in England and was investigation by Bellamy and that, therefore, it would be for the benefit of the creditors to adjourn the case until the investigation was completed. This is taken as an intilimation that Mr. Zimmerman proposes to extricate his son-in-law from his embarrassments.

Five Years for a Cashier.

trict Court to a charge of having em-bezzled \$27,000 from the bank, has been sentenced by Judge Hallett to five years' imprisonment in the Leaven-worth (Kan.) penitentiary.

LIVE NATIONAL AFFAIRS.

Presidential Appointments. The President just announced that he had made the following appointments: To be delegates to the International Conference of American States, Cyrus Northrop, of Minnesota; Henry C. Davis, of West Virginia; William I. Buchanan, of Iowa; Charles M. Pepper, of the District of Columbia; Volney W. Foster of Illians To be members of

Foster, of Illinois, To be members of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Commission, John M. Thurston, of Nebraska: Thomas H. Carter, of Montana; William Lindsay, of Kentucky; George W. McBride, of Oregon; Fred-erick A. Betts, of Connecticut; ex-Con-gressman John M. Allen, of Mississippi; Martin H. Glynn, of New York; John F. Miller, of Indiana; Philip D. Scott, of Arkansas.

not long ago Castro proclaimed himself President, and this action of the constituyente invests him with the full powers of a presidential ruler to the limit of its authority.

The question of changing the design of the regular issue of postage stamps is under consideration at the Post Office Department. Third Assistant Postmaster General Madden said it was probable that the name of the person will be spirited under the head borne. will be printed under the head borne on the stamps. Other changes suggested which may receive serious consider-ation are that the dates of birth and death of the person may be printed under the name, and that the design also bear an inscription giving the also bear an inscription giving the year of issue of the particular series of

Commissioner of Patents Qualifies.

Frederick I. Allen, of Auburn, N. Y. was sworn in Saturday as Commission-er of Patents, succeeding Charles H. er of Patents, succeeding Charles H. Duell, resigned. All the employes of the office were introduced to their new chief and took leave of the outgoing

The Navy Department received a ca-blegram from Admiral Remey saying that during a fire in the sailroom of the gunboat Petrel Lieutenant-Commander Jesse M. Roper was suffocated and 22 officers and men prostrated. Secretary Gage gave his reasons for

The recall of Minister Loomis, our diplomatic representative in Venezuela.

is significant, as showing that this gov-ernment's relations with Venezuela are

statue in Iowa Circle. Minister Loomis has been recalled to

ding and Drydock

pany, signed the contract to build the cruiser Charleston. The Navy Department was advised of the arrival of the cruiser New York

correctly informed, that Ambassador Choate will retire from the diplomatic service soon and be succeeded by Post-

nance Department, was appointed pro-fessor of natural and experimental phil-osophy at West Point.

Among the naval appointments made by the President was that of Capt. Ed-win M. Shepard to be a rear admiral.

crease in the manufacturing industries of the District of Columbia. Charles Momm, first assistant exam

died at his residence in Washington. Secretary Long cabled to Admiral Rodgers, on the cruiser New York, to proceed to Manila, instead of conveying Consul General Gummere to Mazagan,

William J. Murtagh, a well-known citizen, died as the result of a stroke

of paralysis. The War Department will keep 50,000 men in the Philippines until order is

Rodenburg, of Illinois, a member of the Civil Service Commission, and Freder-ick I. Allen commissioner of patents. William Corcoran Eustis has been appointed third secretary to the United States Embassy at London.

Our New Possessions

In an address to the graduates of the Manila Nautical Academy, General MacArthur predicted a splendid future for Philippine commerce.

General MacArthur approved the findings of a court-martial, which sentenced five Filipino bandits to be

Colonel Murray, of the Forty-third Infantry, has received the surrender of seven officers and thirty-two rifles, and

RICHMOND HOTEL FIRE.

The Palatial Jefferson a Prey to the Flames.

SOUTH'S GREATEST CARAVANSARY. The Greater Portion of the Magnificent Hotel Is In Ruins-No Lives Are Known to Have Been Lost, Although Several People Had Narrow Escapes, and the Guests Were Rescued With Difficulty.

Richmond, Va. (Special).-Richmond Friday night suffered her greatest dis-aster by fire since the burning of the Spotswood Hotel, on Christmas Eve, 1870. The Jefferson Hotel, the magnificent structure built and furnished by the late Lewis Ginter, at a cost of about \$1,000,000, is in ashes. No lives were The hotel was constructed of buff

brick and granite foundation, and was regarded as semi-fireproof. It burned like tinder. The building covered half a block in the ultrafashionable part of the city, fronting on West Main and Franklin streets. The flames broke out in the upper part of the Main street side, spread with

a tremendous rush, and soon that part of the building was a seething mass of fire. Prompt measures were taken to awaken and alarm the guests, and soon these were rushing through the corrid-

ors in mild confusion.

There were in the hotel many fine works of art, including in the Franklin street court Valentine's marble statue of Jefferson lthough the hour was late when the

fire broke out, an immense crowd was attracted. The guests who were driven out of The guests who were driven out of the Main street portion and those in the Franklin street part took refuge in the lobbies of the latter, and there the scenes of distress and excitement beg-

gared description.

Several persons were hurt by falling down stairs, etc. One man had his hip broken. No one perished in the flames. The fire started in the linen room from a defective flue. Insurance is about

\$650,000. There was in the hotel a party from Montreal, Canada. None of these were hurt, but all lost their baggage. All the surrounding houses are filled with property taken from the hotel. There has been some looting and several arrests have been made. rests have been made.

Personal residual res Except for the general confusion there were no startling incidents.

Immediately upon the discovery of the fire, which was eating in to the ceiling of the linen room, the hotel fire apparatus was brought into play, but the hose burst. Attendants then dashed through the building awakening the guests, many of whom were sleeping, and had to be dragged out of bed.

A Life-Saving Plan.

Welch, W. Va. (Special).—After six months steady work the Norfolk and Western has about completed the big fan plant that is to furnish pure air for the deadly East End tunnel at Coaldale. The plant consists of three enormous fans, with two 200-horsepower engines to run them. The plant has cost over \$60,000 and will have to be kept in operation night and day constantly. Since the Noriolk and Western has been in operation through this section, a little less than twelve years, seven men have been asphyxiated in the East End tunnel and twice as many more have been carried out unconscious and within few minutes of death.

Safe Breakers Folled.

Raleigh, N. C. (Special).—The safe of the Southern Express Company was blown open by safe-crackers. The con-cussion was so great that it knocked Washington to explain in detail the circumstances connected with the Venezuelan controversy.

President Orcutt, of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Comcrowd to the office at once. The safe-crackers, of whom there were three, were frightened away, though a large sum of money was within easy reach. It was the most daring attempt at rob-

bery ever made here. Settled Their Differences.

Bristol, Tenn. (Special).-The contention between the Carter and Shields factions of the Virginia Iron, Coal and Coke Company and the Virginia South-western Railway were settled here. Cornelius Shields resigned as coreceiver and the appointment of Judge Archer A. Phleger as his successor was agreed upon. H. K. McHarg is retained as coreceiver. All the lieus filed by the two sides have been withdrawn. Mr. Shields has, it is stated, accepted a position as vice-president and general man-ager of a large iron, coal and railroad company in Nova Scotia.

Illinois Lyncher Sentenced.

Galesburg, Ill. (Special).—Consternation prevails among those who Wednesday night led in the attempt to lynch Edward Jackson, the alleged murderer of Charles B. Rowe, because the Sheriff has sworn out a number of warrants. The first arrest was that of E. C. Gross, of Madisonville, Ohio, who during the of The first arrest was that of E. C. Gross, of Madisonville, Ohio, who during the riot, it is sileged, urged the crowd to kill the Sheriff. Gross was arraigned before Judge Post, who fined him \$100 and gave him a term of one year in the county jail. Gross has a wife and four children at Madisonville.

\$100,000,000 Added to Capital.

Philadelphia, Pa. (Special).-By the largest stock vote ever cast in the his-tory of the Pennsylvania Railroad Com-pany the shareholders of that corpora-tion re-elected the old board of directors and authorized an increase of \$100, 000,000 in the present capital stock. number of shares voted was 1,793,442, representing 59.18 per cent., a greater percentage than any previous election.

May Admit Sons of Veterans

Chattanooga, Tenn. (Special).-The Chattanooga, Tenn. (Special).—The N. B. Forrest Camp of Confederate Veterans is preparing a new constitution and by-laws, which will allow all sons and grandsons of Confederate veterans to become members of the organization. An effort will be made to have the convention at Memphis in May adopt the plan, so as to make it a national law of the organization. It is thought that this, if adopted, may merge the organization of the Sons of Veterans into the United Confederate Veterans and dissolve the individuality of the sons' camps. the sons' camps.

Five Men Murder Two.

Iniantry, has received the surrender of seven officers and thirty-two rifles, and also fifty-two bolorien, at Takloban, Island of Leyte.

A despatch from MacArthur indicates that the insurrection in Mindanao is nearly over.

There have been no developments in the case of D. M. Carman, the American contractor, charged with aiding the Manila insurgents, and who was recently released on \$10,000 bail. He has sufficiently recovered from the illness with which he was stricken after his arrest to be at his office, and is now attending to business.

COMMERCIAL REVIEW.

Gen :ral Trade Conditions. New York (Special.)-R. G. Dun ₺ Co.'s weekly review of trade says: "The position of general business is satisfactory, being marked by increased activity of retail operations throughout the West, and in some Atlantic seaboard cities, which is considered the foreruncities, which is considered the forerun-ner of a generally good Spring trade. New enterprise is reflected in the largest demand for many months for builders' hardware and general materials and contracts for prompt delivery of all structural goods are very difficult to place. Collections are prompt and rail-road tonnage is well maintained.

"Quotations of pig iron and finished steel tend toward a higher level. There is still the wholesome element of con-servatism, which prevents violent fluctuations and keeps the advance at a mod-erate rate, but the tendency of the mar-

ket is undeniably toward better things.
"The amount of cotton coming forward at the South indicates that planta-tion stocks are by no means exhausted, and preparations for the new crop promise an enormous acreage. From the top point of the season the price has fallen \$18.45 a bale, and the only apparent element of strength at pres-ent is the over-sold condition of the

"Failures for the week numbered 124 in the United States, against 183 last year, and 33 in Canada, against 27 last

Brr street's says:
"War talk induced some short covering in wheat this week and flour strengthened on better demand, but crop reports were in the main favorable. Corn has been in good export demand, but is held down by increases in sup-plies, weather at the West keeping

Great strength and activity fully vp to the recently established standards of the market were seen during the week. Prices advanced in the early days of the week and the steel industrial stocks fairly shared honors with the railroad list. In both departments of the market new records as to quotations were made, and although there was a considerable amount of manipulation out-side participation increased."

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Flour-Baltimore Best Patent ... 4 75a Cornmeal, per 100 pounds. . . 1. 10a1 . 20
Hominy, per bbl. . . . 2. 60a2 . 70
Hominy Grits, per bbl. . . . 2. 60a2 . 70
Wheat — No. 2 red, 78½; steamer No. 2 red, 76½; sample lots, 70a7834. Western opened firmer; March, 77½.
Corn. — Quote white nominally at 48a
49, and yellow at 46a47. Cob corn, 2.40
per bbl.

Oats.-White No. 2, 32a33; white,

Oats.—White No. 2, 32a33; white, No. 3, 34½; No. 4, 30½a31; mixed, No. 4, 28a28½.

Rye.—Quote: No. 2 rye in ear lots, 56c. nominal; No. 3, rye, 53c.; No. 2, Western rye, 58c. Bag lots nearby quotable at from 50a56c, per bushel.

Mill Feed.—\$20.50 per ton; medium, do \$20.50. do. \$20.00. Hay.—Market quiet and about steady.

No. 1 timothy, \$16.25a16.50; No. 2 timothy, \$15.75a16.00; No. 3 timothy, \$15.00 a15.50; No. 1 clover mixed, \$14.50a 15.00; No. 2 clover mixed, \$13.50a 14.50; No. 1 clover, \$14.00a14.50; No. 2 clover mixed, \$13.50a clover, \$13.00a14.00. Cloverseed.—New. Western clover, on spot, at 11c. per lb, and choice do at

Green Fruits and Chapter Cab-Onions, per bushel, \$1.20a1.25. Cab-bage, Danish, per ton, \$18.00a20.00; do, Green Fruits and Vegetables .new Florida, per ton, \$12.05a2.50. Celery, per dozen, 40a60c. Apples, per bbl, \$1.75a4.00. Oranges, Florida, per box, \$2.25a3.00. Cranberries, Cape Cod. per bbl, \$8,00ag.00. Potatoes. — White, Maryland and

Potatoes. — White, Maryland and Pennsylvania, prime, per bushel, 45a 48c.; do New York, primes, per bushel, 45a52c.; do. Michigan and Ohio, per bushel, 48a50c.; do. new, Bermuda, per bbl \$4.50a5.00; do new, Florida, per bbl \$4.00a5.00. Sweets, Eastern Shore, kiln dried, per bbl, \$1.25a1.50.

Beans and Peas.—New York, mar-

row, choice hand picked, \$2.40a2.45; do do medium, do do, \$2.20a2.25; do do pea do do, \$2.15a2.25. Blackeye peas, per bushel, choice new, \$1.60. Provisions.—The market is firm. Jobbing prices are as follows: Bulk shoulder, 734c; do short ribs, 834c; do clear sides, 9c; bacon rib sides, 934c; do

1034c; sugar cured shoulders, 814c, Hams-Small, 111/2c; large, 11c; smoked skinned hams, 11½c; pienic hams, 8½c, Lard—Best refined, pure, in tierces, 8¾c; in tubs, 9c per lb. Mess pork, per bbl, \$16.00. Live Poultry.—Market firm. Quote: Hens, 101/21111; old roosters, each, 25c; spring chickens, 10a12c; winter do, 2 lbs and under, 16a18c. Ducks, 10a13c.

clear sides, toc; bacon shoulders, 81/2c. Fat backs, 8c. Sugar cured breasts,

Turkeys toa14c. Geese, apiece, 50a65c.
Dressed Poultry.—Turkeys, 10a14c.
Ducks, 13a14c. Chickens, 9½a12c.
Geese, 9a11c. Capons, 13a18c.
Butter.—The market is steady. We

Creamery Imitation Eggs.—Fresh laid eggs, 12a12½c.
Dressed Hogs.—Choice Western
Maryland and Pennsylvania lightweights, per lb, 6½c.; Southern Maryland and Virginia, per lb, 6½c. Calves.
—Strictly nice veal, per lb 66½c.
Lambs and sheep.—Spring lambs,
choice, 5½a6c. per lb, poor, small stock,
sc. per lb.

Live Stock. Chicago, Ill.—Cattle.—Receipts, 5700 head, nominally steady; good to prime steers, \$5.0005.00; fancy up to \$6.25; poor to medium, \$3.65a4.80; stockers and feeders steady to firm, \$2.75a4.50; cows \$2.60a4.25; Hogs, mixed and butchered, \$4.85a6.15.

East Liberty, Pa.—Cattle, steady; extra, \$5.50a5.65; prime, \$5.20a5.40; common, \$3.25a4.00. Hogs, active and higher; prime mediums, best Yorkers and

Newark is to have a labor temple. Race track jockeys have organized. Brooklyn has a co-operative iros

Creamery Separator223/2a23 Creamery Gathered Cream20a21

Philadelphia.

Wheat, steady; contract grade March, 77½a78c. Corn, firm, ½c. higher; No. 2 mixed, March, 45¼a45½c. Oats, steady. No. 2 white clipped, 33c. Butter firm; prints, 22c.; tancy Western creamery, 22½c.; do do prints, 23; do do prints, 23; do do prints, 25; do do do prints, 25; do do do prints, 25; do do prints, 25; do do prints, 25; do do nearby prints, 25c, Eggs, fresh near-by 1214c; do Western, 13c.; do Southwestern, 13c.; do Southern, 12c. Cheese steady; New York full creameries, fancy, small, 12a121/c.

butchered, \$5.85a6.15.

heavy hogs, \$6.25a6.30; light Yorkers, \$6.15a6.65; good pigs, \$5.00a6.00. Sheep steady; choice wethers, \$5.10a5.25. LABOR AND INDUSTRY.

Chicago clerks demand Sunday clos-ing of stores.

In 1900 there were constructed in New York City buildings to the value

New York City buildings to the value of \$40,800,000.
Cotten exports brought to this country \$119,000,000 more in 1900 than in 180;
Sparta paper(__crs and painters have been conceded 15 per cent. ad-

There is a plan on foot to consolidate the leading express companies It is reported that Rio Grande and Western common shares will be taken at \$80 by the Denver and Rio Grande. The world exports of wheat last week were 7,232,000 bushels, as compared with 7,902,000 bushels in the previous week and 9,231,000 bushels in the same week of lust year.

Stockholm, Sweden (By Cable).— The Rikadag has canctioned guillotin-ing instead of beheading with an ax in case of capital punishment.

Receipts From Revenue Tax. The following statement prepared at the Internal Revenue Bureau shows the

the Internal Revenue Bureau shows the receipts, by items, from the war revenue act only from June 13, 1898, the date on which the act went into effect, to February 28, 1901, cents omitted:
Schedule A (documentary stamps), \$98,420,099; schedule B (proprietary stamps), \$12,784,694; beer, \$89,154,822; special taxes, \$14,026,359; tobacco, \$42,405,859; snuff, \$2,393,275; cigars, \$8,291,608; cigarettes, \$3,547,490; legacies, \$6,889,055; excise tax, \$2,398,823; mixed flour, \$20,609; additional taxes on tobacco and beer, \$978,816. Total, \$281,311,515.

New Official for Venezuela. Senor Pulido, the Venezuelan Charge d'Affaires, received a cablegram from his Government stating that the con-stituyente has appointed President Cas-tro to be Provisional President of Venezuela. The constituyente is framing a constitution for this South American republic. When the presidency changed

May Change Designs of Stamps.

Capital News in General.

questioning the expediency of using the growing surplus either to buy govern-ment bonds or increasing the deposits in the banks.

President McKinley will make an address and Chauncey Depew will deliver the oration at the unveiling of the Logan

It is reported from a source, usually

Capt. William B. Gordon, of the Ord-

The Secret Service Bureau announced that a clever counterfeit five-dollar sil-ver certificate is in circulation. Census statistics show a gratifying in-

iner in the Patent Office, committed General Stewart Van Vliet, retired.

as there are indications that the Sultan of Morocco will yield to milder meas-

restored. The President has appointed W.

tenced hve Filipino bandits to be banged and others to be imprisoned. General Young and staff arrived at San Francisco on the transport Logan, which also brought the Thirty-third and Thirty-tourth Regiments from Manila. Many laborers are leaving Porto Rico for Cuba and the Hawaiian Islands.