#### **FARMHOUSES AND CROPS DESTROYED**

A Stretch of Country Ten Miles Wide and Thirty-Six Miles Long Devastated -An Estimated Loss of Over \$100,000 -Heavy Rains Precede and Follow the

Wichita, Kan. (Special.)-The most disastrous storm that has ever visited Oklahoma prevailed in Kay county. A tornado struck Billings, Eddy and Ton-kawa, and its influence covered a stretch of country to miles wide and 36 miles long, deatroying towns, farmhouses and crops. The financial loss will exceed \$100,000. At Eddy three persons were killed. It is reported that two persons were killed at Billings, but this cannot be verified.

The rain fell in torrents from early in the evening until midnight. The tury of the storm centred in a tornado at about 6,30 p. m., which formed at a point near the Kansas State line.

The little town of Eddy was struck,

and of the twelve or fifteen buildings in the place all were leveled to the ground except the railroad station and an ele-vator. The people of the town sought places of safety. Three persons were killed and seven were injured by flying

The track of the tornado between this point and Tonkawa was laid waste. Five farmhouses, with barns and out-buildings, were blown away, but all the occupants escaped without injury. Fine fields of wheat in the midst of harvest laid waste.

The tail end of the tornado fell with terrible force upon Tonkawa. Thirty dwellings and business houses were scattered like loose lumber. The citizens of the town had been watching the advance of the storm and had sought

shelter in caves and cellars.

At Blackwell, a few miles north of Tonkawa, F. H. Crawford, a carpenter. working on a house, was struck lightning and instantly killed.

#### MRS. M'KINLEY'S HEART AFFECTED. Blood Infection Resulted From Bone Felon -Physicians' Statement.

Washington (Special).-Mrs. McKinley's physicians, after a lengthy consulion, issued the following bulletin: 'Mrs. McKinley's illness has been a blood infection, resulting from periosti-tis of the index finger (bone felon), which began in Los Angeles, and which was promptly treated by incision. The subsequent condition of exhaustion was due to the same blood infection associated with a severe diarrhoea. She improved, however, and was brought home proved, however, and was brought home in comfort and without loss of strength. The principal cause of anxiety in her case since her arrival in Washington has been an acute endocarditis (inflammation of the lining membrane of the heart), involving the mitral valve, the result of the same blood infection. This does not appear to be progressive, and there has been an improvement in the there has been an improvement in the diarrhoea and in her general condition.

Mrs. McKinley's case at the present time presents a more hopeful aspect." The statement that Mrs. McKinley's case at this time presents a more hopeful aspect is the best word that has come from the sick room since the arrival of the distinguished patient in Washington. The President feels considerably en-

### Major W. H. Daly Kills Himself.

Pittsburg, Pa. (Special).-Major W. H. Daly, who was a deputy to the assis-tant surgeon general on the staff of Lieu-tenant General Miles in Porto Rico, committed suicide here by shooting himself in the right temple. The body of the doctor was found in the bathroom by Miss Mary Short, the housekeeper, lying in a pool of blood with a 38-caliber revolver lying on the floor. Dr. Foster. who was summoned, at once found the land, and The Tashmoo, of Detroit, bullet hole in the temple, and announced raced from Cleveland to Erie, 100 miles, that death had taken place several hours

Three buildings were all possible to prevent a spread of the flames. A heavy rain saved the Forbidden City. One of the buildings burned was a library, containing many valuable manuscripts and numerous historical records of the dynasty.

### Double Murder at 16.

Totedo, Ohio (Special.) - Leroy Grove, the 16-year-old son of a prosperous farmer living near Napoleon, stabbed his sister, aged 24 years, to the heart, killing her instantly. He then strangled his 13-year-old brother to shot himself through the temple. His charred body was recovered. It is sup-posed he was insane from reading chear

### Deaf Mute's Horrible Death.

Berkeley, Cal. (Special).-Weir Al-len, a 9-year-old deaf mute, was burned to death at the State Institute for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind. The boy was being bathed in alcohol by George Hoffman, an attendant. Hoffman lighted a cigarette and threw the match alcohol, which immediately took

### For Study of American Methods.

London (By Cable).—Elder, Demp-ster & Co. offer to pay the traveling expenses of the official delegates of any British trades unions willing to go to the United States to study American

### Farmer Shoots His Sweetheart.

North Vernon, Ind. (Special)-John Neely, a prosperous young farmer liv-ing south of this place, shot himself on sweetheart's doorstep because she refused to marry him as early as he wished. He had called on his affianced bride and asked her to marry him July 4. She declined, saying the wedding should be in the fall. He left the house. but soon returned and shot himself on her doorstep. Miss Brinton heard the shot, and when she found it was her lover dying she attempted to shoot her-

### Cars and Houses Torn to Pieces.

mite in a car, caused by one freight train that the Government has decided to alrunning into another, at Vesta, ten miles from here. Aside from the destruction to railroad property, much minor damage is reported. Nearly every house in the villages of Vestal and Union, which is across the Susquehanna from the wreck, lost more or less of its window glass while farmers' houses and barns near the scene were shattered and wrecked. None of the inmates, however, were injured.

that the Government has decided to allow, when necessary, the ordering of such material abroad.

It is said that the deal whereby the Glucose Sugar Refining Company will acquire the National Starch Company and the Pope Glucose Manufacturing Company will probably be consummated within a few weeks. It is maintained that the terms will be quite favorable to the Glucose Sugar Refining Company.

#### SUMMARY OF THE NEWS.

Edward de Duphane, who died while drunk in Washington, is said in Win-chester, Va., to be the heir to the De Chambord earldom in France, who mar-ried a Methodist minister's daughter in

Winchester.

Sylvan L. Friedlander, with his wife, and Daniel H. Bogart, his clerk, were arriested in Newark, N. J., on the charge of conspiracy to commit arson in Reading.

A company was organized in Rich-mond, Va., for the purpose of encour-aging manufacturning there by furnish-ing power to small plants, as may be

Mrs. Lulu Prince Kennedy collapsed in court in Kansas City while evidence was being given against her in her trial for the murder of her husband. Edward Williams, colored, cut James

Shaw's skull in twain with an axe, as he latter was sleeping in a saloon in Norfolk, Va.

James Van Burden Bordelway was arrested in Philadelphia on the charge of forging Pierpont Morgan's name to

The son of Jacob Nave, a farmer of Bedford county, Pa., drank carbolic acid in mistake for whiskey. He may

Major Lewis S. Tessen, medical direct-or of the Department of Columbia, died at the Vancouver barracks. The students of Wesleyan University reatened to quit unless Prof. F. D.

abb was reinstated. The town council of Harrisonburg, Va., decided against having a municipal ectric light plant. Eight young soldiers back from Man-

Waynesboro, Pa. Advices from the Klondike report the frowning of four men in Five Finger

Judge W. P. Beck dropped dead while arguing in court in Pueblo, Col.

A number of deficient cadets were discharged from West Point.

Mrs. Dora E. Durfey committed suicide in Noriolk Va.

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Arthur Van Sickler, president of the commercial Mutual Life Insurance company of America, complained of an two children from their home in Whitestone, L. I. Admiral Schley was forced to hold an

Admiral Scriley was forced to hold an impromptu reception at the Maritime Exchange in New York, where he was unexpectedly surrounded by a throng of enthusiastic admirers.

Herbert I. Clement, of Woodbury, N. J., secured a verdict of \$3500 against the estate of Benjamin R. Bittle, who

the estate of Benjamin R. Bittle, who had shot the plaintiff and them committed suicide Miss Mabel Lawrence Burt, of Bridgeton, N. J., pleaded guilty in court at Northampton, Mass., of the

larceny of a ring and money from students at Smith College.

There was a severe frost in Idaho and the coldest June weather for many years in Oregon, where the mercury fell 6 degrees below the freezing point.

Mrs. Jennie Parrish, a widow, of Fliet Mich were they and builed by

Flint, Mich., was shot and killed by Lewis Weeks, who declared that he had come to her house for that purpose.

Horace Pell, an actor, playing at the
Euclid Opera House in Cleveland, shot
himself with suicidal intent, and will probably die

town, Pa., of the murder of Hiram Mc-Millan, of Preston county, W. Va. The Consolidated Tobacco Company was organized in New York, James B Duke being elected president.

George W. Bentley, of New York,
committed suicide on his daughter's

grave in the cemetery in Norwich, George W. Cumberland, the founder of the Order of Elks, died in Brook-lyn, N. Y. Miss Martha Hichborn, daughter of

Rear Admiral Hichborn, was married in Washington to James G. Blaine, young-est son of the late Maine statesman, at the residence of her parents. A small gathering of immediate relatives and friends witnessed the ceremony. The steamers City of Erie, of Cleve-

land, and The Tashmoo, of Detroit, to decide the speed championship of the Great Lakes. The City of Eric won.

a building inside the gate of the American end of the Forbidden City, causing giers, and M. Laberdesone an Algiers, and M. Laberdesque, an Algerian journalist, which was begun Friday near The American and Japanese guards did Paris and continued yesterday, resulted all possible to prevent a spread of the in the wounding of M. Regis.

May Churchill, a concert hall performer, was arrested in Paris on the charge of being concerned in the robery of the Paris office of the American Express Company.

Mrs. Louis Botha, wife of the Boer general, arrived in England, and will proceed to Holland and Belgium. She declines to state her mission.

The German occupation brigade in China will be composed of three regi-ments of infantry, with Major General von Rohrscheidt in command.

A Chinese imperial edict announces that owing to the hot weather the repostponed until September 1. The Brazilian minister at Berlin de-

clares that the talk about German de-signs on Brazil is mere twaddle. The Duchess of Marlboro opened a charity sale in London with a bright little speech.

The British House of Commons voted over \$78,000,000 for transports and remounts in South Africa. Charges were made against officers of buying broken-down animals at big prices and dividing with the sellers the price charged the government above the ac-

tual cost.

The stockholders of the London District Railway sanctioned Charles T. Yerkes' plan for the introduction of electricity as the motive power of the

Production of the anti-clerical drama

"Electra," in Barcelona, Spain, evoked cheers and cries of "Death to Reaction!" "Death to the Jesuits!"

A movement is on foot in the Kanawha and New River districts, W. Va, to combine coal and coke companies.

The Leland Line steamer Assyrian went ashore off Cape Race, N. F., and may prove a total wreck!

may prove a total wreck.

The banquet of the London Chamber of Commerce to the members of the New York Chamber and other guests was a notable occasion. Speeches were made by Lord Lansdowne, Ambassador Choate, Mr. Carnegie and others.

### Financial.

Binghamton, N. Y. (Special).—Five men were killed and seven injured by the explosion of a great quantity of dynatics and other material, it is stated

# PLATT AMENDMENT MUST BE ACCEPTED.

The Administration Decides on Firm

LETTER FROM SENATOR PLATT OUT.

It was Confidential, and Declared His Amend

Washington (Special).-There is conderable uneasiness felt by the adminisistration at the sullen attitude of the Cuban Constitutional Convention. At the meeting of the cabinet Secretary Root laid before his colleagues a number of dispatches and talent Convention. of dispatches and telegrams from Gov ernor Wood, all indicating a refusal on the part of the Cubans to take any further steps in completing their constitu-tion. They have given General Wood to understand that the refusal of the United States to accept the interpretation which they have placed on the Platt amendments will not cause them to accept this government's demand to take the amendments as they were framed by Congress, and the result is apparently a deadlock, with a constantly growing feeling of sharp irritation on both sides. The administration takes the ground that the Cubans must yield to the inevitable, and that until they do American troops will continue to hold the island. No fear is felt of any violent outbreak or manifestation of open hostility towards. United States, but should such an unfortunate incident occur, the American troops on the island are strong enough

to promptly suppress any uprising.

The principal difficulty appears to be over the third clause of the Platt amendment, which the Cubans seem to inter-pret as establishing the suzerainty of the nited States over the young republic. It is difficult to understand how this fear can be sincerely felt, for at the re-quest of Secretary Root, Senator Platt, the author of the amendment, wrote a letter for the use of the Cuban commissioners who were in Washington dis-tinctly explaining that this country har-bored no such designs. This letter was made public. It is as follows:

"I am in receipt of your letter of this date, in which you say that the members of the commission of the Cuban Constitutional Convention fear that the provisions relative to intervention, made in the third clause of the amendment which has come to bear my name, may have the effect of preventing the independen-dence of Cuba, and in reality establish-

ing a protectorate or suzerainty by the United States, and you request that I express my views of the question raised. "In reply, I beg to state that the amendment was carefully prepared with the object of avoiding any possible idea that by the acceptance thereof the constitutional convention would thereby establish a protectorate or suzerainty, or in any manner whatsoever compro mise the independence or sovereignty of Cuba, and speaking for myself, it seems impossible that such an interpre-tation can be given to the clause. believe that the amendment should be considered as a whole, and it ought to be clear on reading it that its well-de-fined purpose is to secure and safe-guard Cuban independence, and set forth at once a clear idea of the friendy disposition of the United States to-ward the Cuban people, and the express intention on their part to aid them, if necessary, in the maintenance of said independence. These are my ideas, and although, as you say, I cannot speak for the entire Congress, my belief is that such a purpose was well under-

Very respectfully yours, "O. H. PLATT."

#### NEW WAY OF MAKING STEEL Carbon Forced in While Iron L:aves Cupola

Furnace. Redding, Cal. (Special) .- Mr. Geo.

California, has invented and applied for patents in 22 countries on a process for manufacturing steel, which some corporation, apparently the American Trust, has offered to purchase for \$600,-000, with the provisions that patents are issued and that the tests made at a plant now being installed for that pur-pose near Chicago prove satisfactory. The invention really consists of a car-bon blowpipe, through the operation of which pig iron can be converted into steel as it leaves the cupola furnace. Mr. Carson has produced a plan for the manufacture of steel which is said to be far ahead of the Bessemer process Mr. Carson has accepted the offer and will leave soon for Chicago to superin-

Washington (Special.)-The President acted upon 14 applications for par-dons. He commuted four sentences and granted five pardons, including the following: Nicholas Polits, echvicted in 1809 in North Carolina of counterfeitsing and sentenced to serve a term of six years in prison. His sentence is commuted to expire June 13, at which time he will have served two years. Richard Toulmin was convicted in the United States Consular Court at Shang-hai China, in 1898 of the murder of a Chinaman on board the American ship Dosing in the harbor of Fuchow, and sentenced to life imprisonment in the Shanghai prison for American convicts.

# He is pardoned,

City Moonshiners Raided. Baltimore (Special).-A perfectly equipped "moonshine" whiskey still at 1146 East Lombard Street, was raided by the police, and Mrs. Lena May, who was operating the plant, was ar-rested. The liquor made at the still was the cheapest kind and was retailed at a low price to the foreign colony.

Swan's Shoringe More Than \$30,000. Cambridge, Mass. (Special) .- In con-Cambridge, Mass. (Special).—In con-nection with the report of Middlesex county grand jury for its June sliting, which was just made public, it became known that the shortage of Roland D. Swan, formerly clerk of the town of Arlington, who was arrested, charged with the larceny of \$5000 from the town, has been found to be more than \$30,000. Swan was also implicated in an attempt to burn the town hall several weeks ago, on the night when the town safe was robbed and records were

### Now Accused of Murder.

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Toronto, Ont. (Special).—Rutledge and Rice, convicted of robbing the post-office and a private bank at Aurora, were sentenced to 21 years in Kingston Penitentiary. Immediately afterwards they were taken to Police Court and charged with the murder of Constable Boyd on Tuesday evening last, when they, with Thomas Jones, attempted to escape from the officers wails being transferred from the court to all. Both men pleaded not guilty, and the hearing was postponed for a week. The three men were brought here from Chicago. In Tuesday might's affair Jones was shot and has since died from his injuries.

#### FELL VICTIMS TO CANNIBALS. All Members of German Expedition Killer and Enten Except One.

MUST BE ACCEPTED.

The Administration Decides on Firm Attitude to Cubans.

LETTER FROM SENATOR PLATT OUT.

It was Confidential, and Declared His Amendment Meant No Protection or Suzerainty—
This Letter, to the Astonishment of the Government, Has Been Published in Spanish in Havana.

Havana.

Berlin (By Cable).—The Tageblatt prints special correspondence from New Guinea containing a full account of the massacre of the members of the German South Sea expedition on the cannibal island of St. Matthias. Dr. Heinroth, it is definitely learned, escaped.

The Colonial Zeitung, official organ of the German ectionial society, also unmishes details of the massacre. The vessel which carried the expedition to the Island of St. Matthias left, after a few days, for Herbertshoh, New Britain, to get coal and supplies. In its ain, to get coal and supplies. In its absence the savages, who had hitherto appeared friendly, although known to be rabid cannibals, planned to kill and rob the diminished party.

The plot was carried cut one morning while the mambars of the party.

ing while the members of the party, who had a body guard of 40 drilled Papuans, were cleaning their rifles, which they had taken apart. Suddenly 80 of the islanders broke from the bushes, raising fierce war cries and brandish ng spears, with which they stabbed to death the leader of the party, Dr. Mencken, his secretary, Herr Caro, and a white sailor who was sleeping under

Dr. Heinroth emptied his pistol into his assailants, while the body guard, in the meantime, retired to the boats with the wounded and Dr. Heinroth. The boats put off to an island not far distant, where the expeditionary vessel rescued them later. The survivors af-terward returned to the Island of St. Matthias, where they found that the bodies had been devoured and the camp

Recent Berlin dispatches have stated that Emperor William has sent an ex-pedition to New Guinea to avenge the death of German members of the South

Sea expedition. The expedition sailed from Hamburg about a year ago on the steamer Eber-hard, which had been the Prince of Monaco's yacht Princess Alice and had been renamed. The Prince took great interest in the expedition, which was headed by Herr Bruno Mencken a German millionaire who had a fondness for deep sea exploration and for scien-

tific research in general.

It was in March last that the massa-

#### TERRIBLE FALL OF COMMANDER BULL Dashed From the Dome of the Government

Building at the Expedition. Buffalo, N. Y. (Special).—Lieutenant Commander J. H. Bull, of the United States Navy, in charge of the hydro-graphic service at the Pan-American grounds, fell from the dome of the Government Building and was serious-ly injured. He was unconscious when assistance reached him, and he was taken at once to the Emergency Hospital. After a careful examination the surgeons reported that, while Commander Bull's injuries were serious, they did not think they would prove fatal. His right leg is broken below the knee, and his hip is fractured. It was at first supposed that his skull had been fractured, but this was not the case. Lieutenant Commander Bull is 40 years old, a native of Pennsylvania, and a graduate of the Annapolis Naval Academy. He served with distinction sequently was detailed to service on the Petrel in Philippine waters. That was his last naval assignment. He lives in Buffalo with his wife and four chil-

Accused of Many Murders. Middlesboro, Ky. (Special).—Louis Myers, alias Williams, a notorious moonshiner and desperado, has been captured here. He is charged with the murder of two women in Virginia, three men in North Carolina, including a United States marshal; one in South Carolina, and the sheriff of Unicoi county, Tenn. Rewards aggregating \$2,500 have been offered for his capture. The governors offered for his capture. The governors of these states have been notified of his capture. He has several times been captured, but has always managed to escape.

Three Girls Drowned. Philadelphia (Special).-A party of six persons—three men and three girls— while sailing on the Delaware River off North Essington, a few miles below this city, were thrown into the water by the swamping of their skiff during a squall, and the girls were drowned. The party were guests of the Federal Boat Club. members of the club heard the cries of the unfortunates and immediate-

# Wheat Crops Ruined.

Wichita, Kan. (Special).-A corres-pondent who arrived here from the scene of devastation in Key county, Okla., says that the storm of Friday night ruined the wheat crop of 400 farms west and north-west of Blackwell. These farms are all in one body of territory. The farmers who had purchased twine and harvest machinery are asking the local dealers to take them back, and the dealers have referred the matter to the factories.

### Killed by Incandescent Lamp.

Lakewood, R. I. (Special).-Edmund Walsh, 45 years of age, was instantly killed here by grasping an ordinary in-candescent light globe. Walsh attempted to turn on the light by twisting the globe, the glass melted in his hand and he received the full strength of the current. He leaves a widow and three children in Providence.

### Headless Body of Woman.

Lowell, Mass. (Special).-The headless body of a woman, who was apparently 20 years old, was found in a lonely spot about two miles from Chelmsford Center by Elmer E. Hilbreth, superin-tendent of the town farm, and William Baker, also of Chelmsford. A search for the head was not successful.

### Captain Hall Vindicated.

Washington (Special).—The record of the court martial in the case of Capt. Newt Hall, United States Marine Corps, who was charged by Minister Conger with cowardice in connection with the defense of the legations at Pekin, has just reached Washington. Admiral Remey has promulgated the finding in a special order, which completely exonerates Captain Hall from the charge and finds that the only matter of finds that the only matter of substance sustained in the charges is an error of judgment in connection with the with-drawal of his troops at a critical moment from the Tartar walf.

### Off on His Daring Voyage

Gloucester, Mass. (Special).—In his 25-foot sloop, the Great Republic, Capt. Howard Blackburn, of this city, started on his second trans-Atlantic voyage, his present destination being Lisbon, Portugal, which he expects to reach in 45 days. His previous voyage, in 1800, was to London, which trip took 61 days. The start was made amid the plaudits of over 1000 people. Shortly after 2 o'clock the Great Republic, escorted by a large fleet of boats, set sail. She received a succession of salutes until she was nearly off Thatcher's Island, when the last of the escorts left her. his present destination being List

# TERRIBLE CRIME OF WEALTHY WOMAN.

Startling Discovery Made by the French Police Officials.

MOTHER DIES OF HEART DISEASE.

For Twenty-five Years Madame Monnier, a Miserly Landowner, Imprisons Her Daughter in a Room in Her House Because the Girl Was in Love With a Poor Lawyer -- The Once Beautiful Woman Nearly Reduced to Skeleton Paris (By Cable).-The sensation of

Paris (By Cable).—The sensation of the week has been the arrest of Mad-ame Monnier, a rich, miserly landown-er of the neighborhood of Politiers, and her son, a former sub-prefect of the Department of Vienne and a leader of Politiers' society, on the charge of in-carcerating Mlle. Blanche Monnier, daughter of Madame Monnier, for 25 years in a room of Madame Monnier's house. The police, who were anonymously notified of the woman's detention, entered the house and found Mile. Mon-

nier shut up in a room, in darkness, lying on a mattress, stark naked, and so emaciated that she appeared to be a living skeleton. The room was covered with filth, hones, refuse, food, worms, rats and all kinds of vermin.

The unfortunate woman, who had The unfortunate woman, who had partially lost her reason, was taken to a cospital. It was thought she would die,

Twenty-five years ago she was a beautiful brunette and fell in love with a lawyer without means. Her mother disapproved of their love and confined her in the room which she has only recently left. The son, after his arrest, pleaded that he acted as he did on account of filial piety, and that the mother was responsible. The lawyer died in

There was another dramatic development in the case Saturday. Madame Monnier died in prison of heart disease. The gravity of her crime was brought home to her at the judge's examination Thursday. She became ill and died suddenly in the infirmary of the prison.

#### MRS. EDDY'S VICTORY IN LIBEL SUIT. Judge Charies Bell Orders a Verdict for the Defendant.

Boston (By Cable) .- In the Superior Court Judge Charles U. Bell brought to a sudden and unexpected end the famous \$150,000 libel sut brought by Mrs. Jose-phine Curtis Woodbury, of Boston, against the Rev. Mary Baker Eddy, of Concord, N. H., the founder and present head of the Christian Science

Judge Bell stopped the proceedings ith the following words:
"I have examined this libel with great care, both while the arguments were go-ing on and during the trial. I think the plaintiff has sustained her case, as I have already intimated upon the matter of ap-plication. As regards the publication in the church there is no evidence that any one there understood the alleged libel as

could not recover damages upon this count because she had shown no injury "Taking the libel itself. I see nothing which can in any fair way be said to indicate the plaintiff in the first part of the libel. The only thing in the libel, it seems to me, which can by any reasonable interpretation, be said to serve as means of identification, are the words 'widow' and 'widowhood,' which occur

applying to the plaintiff, so that she

in the latter part of the message. "I have come to the conclusion that even that reference does not absolutely identify the plaintiff, and it seems to me that the plaintiff has not made out a case here which I can let go to the jury. I shall, therefore, be obliged to order a verdict for the defendant."

A few minutes after Judge Bell's ruling the jury, which had been excluded while cation in the present issues, and this proposition may be the only way out. plaining briefly the cause for this course,

ceptions on all the questions passed upon. They have not yet decided upon a definite course of action, but authorized

Trains Met on a Curve. Vicksburg Miss, (Special).-Ten persons were injured, three seriously, in a head-end collision between two Mississippi Valley passenger trains north of Vicksburg. The trains met on a sharp curve, and but for the prompt action of Engineer Jones in reversing his engine the wreck would have been more dis-astrous. At Clarksdale five hours earlier the southbound train crashed into a caboose and Engineer Dana received

#### injuries which may prove fatal. Storm Wrecks Hall and Warehouse.

Clarksville, Tenn (Special).-A storm wrecked Waddell Hall, on the campus of the Southwestern Presbyterian University. The end of the building collapsed and fell through two floors, causing \$5000 damage. The tobacco ware-house of Gold & Pettus was also damaged and their loss will associate the state of the present the present the present the state of the present the aged, and their loss will amount to be-

#### Prompt Flight Saved Mayor and Officer. Uhrichsville, Ohio (Special) .- J. P. Carey, a leading business man, who had been fined for violating an ordi-

tween \$15,000 and \$20,000.

nance, entered the mayor's office and threatened to kill Mayor Reed and Health Officer McCollam. Both fled and Carey turned his revolver on him-self, with fatal effect. Death of a Noted Educator

# Crawfordsville, Ind. (Special).—Jos. Farrand Tuttle, former president of Wabash College, one of the best-known educators of the West, is dead.

Killed in a Bicycle Collision. New York (Special) — Ernest Smith, the confidential man of General Traffic Manager T. E. Eger, of the Clyde Steamship Line, died in an uptown hospital from a fractured skull, received in a "head-on" collision with a negro on a bicycle at Eighty-sixth street and Central Park West on Threedest

# Central Park West on Thursday last. Another Clash at Tien-Tsin London (By Cable).—A dispatch from Pekin gives an account of a fracas between Indian and French troops at

Preacher Convicted of Counterfeiting. Indianapolis, Ind. (Special).—In the Federal Court to-day the Rev. William Wade, of Valpin, Ind., who conducted religious meetings while in jail here, was to-day sentenced to the Columbus Pentenced for the Columbus Pentenced for the Pentenced Federal Section 1981.

# itentiary for one year and fined \$1,000 for passing counterfeit nickels. Lightning Kills Teacher and Pupil.

Cedar Falls, Iowa (Special).—During a hallstorm near Littleton light-ning struck the schoolhouse and fatally injured Paul Roberts, a pupil, and the teacher, Miss Jane Harvey. Seven oth-er pupils were burned her not fatally.

#### LIVE NATIONAL AFFAIRS.

Judge Tatt Will Control. Although military control in the Philippines will pass to civilian authority on July 1, the title of the senior army officer will still be that of Military Gover-

This has been definitely determined by the Administration and seems on the face to indicate a dual government under Commissioner Taft and General Chaffee, who succeeds General MacArthur with the change of affairs. General Chaffee will have all the powers and authority of Military Governor not only in command of the army forces in the authority of Military Governor not only in command of the army forces in the islands, but he will have direct control also over the administration of certain districts of the Philippines where it is not practicable to apply civilian government. These districts are in remote sections and have recently been visited by Commissioner Taft in his tour of the islands. As fast as they become pacified and can be turned over to civilian control, Commissioner Taft will apply this form of administration.

this form of administration.

It is not expected that there will be any conflict of authority between Commissioner Taft and General Chaffee, and, in all events, when questions in dispute may arise, Commissioner Taft's decision will be final.

#### Naval Reclassification.

The President signed an order reclassifying the vessels of the navy ac-cording to their tonnage, to take the place of the old classification, based on the number of guns carried. Under the new system there will be four class-es, as follows: First-rate men-of-war, of 8000 tons and over; second-rate men of-war, of 4000 tons and under 8000 tons, and auxiliary vessels of 6000 tons and over, except colliers, hospital ships and other vessels used for special pur-poses; third-rate men-of-war, from 1000 to 4000 tons, and auxiliary vessels from 1000 to 6000 tons, and colliers, refrigerator ships, hospital ships, etc., of 4000 tons and over; fourth-rate, all other

vessels. The order further gives the assignment to command affoat. These give an admiral command of a fleet; rear admiral, command of a fleet or squadron; captain, command of a division, or ship of the first or second rate; commander, command of a division or ship of the second rate; lieutenant commander, command of a ship of the third or fourth rate; lieutenant, command of a ship of the fourth rate, a destroyer, torpedo boat, tug or tender; lieutenant (junior grade), command of a torpedo boat, tug or tender; ensign, command of a torpedo boat or tug.

# Cortelyou May Enter Cabinet.

A White House rumor revives the report that Secretary Cortelyou may be advanced from his present position to that of a member of the Cabinet. This is suggested by the report that Major O. L. Pruden, assistant secretary to the President, who was appointed a major and paymaster, will go into service and make way for the advancement of Chief Clerk Rudolph Forster. The opinion is expressed that there will be an opening for Mr. Cortelyou in a short time. Notwithstanding contradictions of the report port, opinion points to Postmaster-General Smith as the Cabinet officer most likely to retire, and Mr. Cortel-you's experience in the Postoffice Department, where he was the confidential clerk of Assistant Postmaster General Maxwell, would be a preparation for his discharge of the duties of the office.

## United States Makes an Appeal.

The United States Government has again appealed to the powers to submit the present issues at Pekin over the indemnity propositions to the arbitration of The Hague tribunal. CommissionerRockhill, who has been watching for an op-portunity, cabled Secretary Hay for per-mission to make a profosition, and the Secretary cabled him authority to do so.

Reprimand for Captain Hancock. Judge Bell ordered the jury to find for the defendant, which it accordingly did in the usual form.

Counsel for Mrs. Woodhury filed exceeding the greatest and dice of good order and military disci-pline," and failing to appear for duty it to be stated that they expect to carry the case to the Supreme Court.

on two occasions, have been received at the War Department. The specifications alleged intoxication, Captain

# Hancock was found guilty and sen-tenced to be reprimanded.

Capital News in General. Chief Moore, of the Weather Bureau, punctures the illusion that orchards can be protected from hailstorms by firing

William Morey, Jr., and Mrs. Clara A. Riedell, clerks in the War Depart ment, disappeared at the same time.

Secretary Long has decided to have the battleship Oregon on the reverse of the Santiago medal.

The Secretary of the Navy approved the recommendations of the board for the distribution of medals of honor and letters of commendation for gallantry in the Chinese campaign.

Attorney General Knox bought the palatial home of Mrs. George W. Childs, in the capital.

The Itata claim for \$220,000, with in terest, was taken up by the Chilean Claims Commission.

Claims Commission.

Major G. W. Ruthers, chief commissary of the Department of Northern Luzon, made an interesting report showing how the army stations in the Philippines are served.

Senator Depew's interview advocating a third term for President McKinley has started discussion in Washington.

The President signed an order reclassifying the vessels of the Navy. Colonel McKibbin was at his own request detached from the command of the Department of Texas and ordered

the Philippines. It was unofficially reported that Lieut R. H. Townley, of the navy, had been convicted by court-martial of complicity in the commissary frauds in Manila The negotiations between the Navy Department and Signor Murconi for the institution of his wireless telegra-phy system have been broken off.

to resume command of his regiment in

# Our New Possessions.

An order has been issued at the War Department directing the organization of five batteries of field artillery and three companies of coast artillery in addition to those now in the service.

Imports into the Philippines show an increase of \$658,321 for the first three-quarters of 1900, an increase of 72 per cent, over the amount for the same pe-

A cablegram from General MacAr-thur says that all the volunteers have left the Philippines on route for the United States.

Major General Chaffee and staff and two companies of the Ninth Infantry have arrived at Manila on the United States transport Sumner from Taku. The General was received with a major general's salute. General Chaffee will be General MacArthur's guest at the Malacanang Palace.

# PENNSYLVANIA NEWS.

The Latest Happenings Gleaned From

All Over the State.

DUSTED EMPLOYES SUE FOR SALARIES Stephen Connors Killed at Clark's Summit-

Fourth Fatality at Frick's Pittsburg Office

Building .- Court Versus Assembly -- Second

Brigade May Camp at Buffalo-Killed by His

Train-Other Live News. The Delaware County Prohibi-tionists held their annual conven-tion at Media and placed in nom-nation the following officers, to be vot-d for next November: Recorder of Deeds, Charles Palmer, of Chester; Register of Wills, Joseph Pennell, of diddletown; Coroner, C. C. Fergu-on, of Prospect Park; director of the oor, Thomas Kirk, of Newtown; del-gates to the State convention. George oor, Thomas Kirk, of Newtown; del-gates to the State convention, George i, Yarnall, of Media; Charles Palmer, if Chester; C. W. R. Smith, of Lans-owne; Levis B. Disbrow, of Colwyn; Rev. C. H. Burnley, of Swarthmore; Arthur Shrigjey, of Lansdowne; alter-tates, Rev. C. W. Burns, Lansdowne; C. Furguson, Prospect Park; W. W. ohnson, Media. The Committee on Resolutions presented resolutions predesolutions presented resolutions pre-licting a victory for the cause before he end of the present century; pledg-ng a continuance of their determined variare against licensed liquor; advo-ating woman suffrage, and advocat-ng arbitration instead of war to settle

isputes between nations.

The political sensation of the hour at Pottsville is the suit brought by four-een of the ousted employees of the Schuylkill County Almshouse against he county and the poor directors for pay imounting to nearly \$600, which they al-ege is due them for the month of April, ege is due them for the month of April, udgment being given in their favor. The trouble grows out of a deal which was made between Edward Kester, Resublican, with his colleague on the poor poard. John F. Horgan, Democrat, by which a set of appointments were made at the almshouse. The employees took their positions on April 1, with the unjuriest and ing that they were good for a derstanding that they were good for a was broken and Kester made a deal with lenry Becker, another Democratic memper of the poor board, the upshot of which was the turning out of the first appointees and the naming of others who imployees brought this action as the first of a series of monthly suits which they will bring all year. The suit was brought sefore Alderman H. B. McCool. One of the witnesses, E. B. Hunter, cashies of the Merchants Bank of Shenandoah estified that an agreement had beer nade wherein it was stipulated that secker and Kester would not break the ast deal, and with it a forfeit of \$2000 and been deposited at his bank. A vere produced at the hearing.

"If General Wiley can make satisactory arrangements with the officials Pan-American Exposition the second Brigade encampment will be seld at Buffalo," said General Charles diller. The matter is now entirely in his hands and the completion of the dans depends upon his ability to per ect a satisfactory arrangement with he Exposition management. The mater of securing consent of the Legisla ure to take the troops out of the State s merely a formality," said General stiller. "This can be done without dif-iculty. The officers of the Second Brirade seem a unit in favor of the ider and the prospects are decidedly favor

ble for carrying out the plans. The thirty-first annual commencement of the Allentown College for Wonen was held in Lyric Theatre, Allen own. Prof. Knappenberger, president the college, delivered the address the William H. Deshler gold medal the William H. Deshler gold medal. or drawing or painting was presented of Miss Maggie Y. Hartzell, of Church Hill, Pa.; the Samuel A. Butz gold nedal to Miss Ada L. Sowers, of Sham nedal to Miss Mamie Schaffer, of Alentown. Following the exercises at he theater a reception to the gradu-ting class was held at the college, after

which a dinner was given in honor of ne alumnae. The result of the final examinations of the classes of the West Chester itate Normal School shows that all the eniors and post-graduates, with those who had been recommended for State ertificates, passed. Of the juniors, all except twelve will complete the old course next year. The seniors numered 157; post-graduates, 15, and the applicants for State certificates, 4. Prof. Delp, of the school, to-day took he members of the Examining Board over the battlefield of the Brandywine

ind pointed out to them the many soints of historical interst. The forty-ninth yearly meeting of Progressive Friends opened a three lays' session at Longwood Meeting-touse, east of Kennett Square. Fredrick A. Hirckley, of Philadelphia, pre-ided and made the address of welcome. ided and made the address of welcome. Elizabeth B. Passmore, of Oxford, is lerk. In the morning "Imperialism" was discussed by George G. Mercer and Herbert Welsh, of Philadelphia. In the afternoon Rev. Charles F. Dole, of Massachusetts, and Prof. Edward Magill, of Swarthmore, spoke on Peace—the Best Method to Prevent he Growth of the Military Spirit." Judge Johnson at Media quashed the ndictment against E. E. and U. G. imedley, of Chester, who were charged with buying plumbing materials from

with buying plumbing materials from persons without license to sell it, thus violating the provisions of the Act of April 11, 1899. The court declared the Act unconstitutional, as the Constitu-ion prohibits the General Assembly rom enacting any local or special law egulating trade.

The annual commencement of the College Grammar School at Haverford was held in the gymnasium. The head-naster, Charles S. Crosman, addressed he graduates, and announced the following awards of prizes: For the highest average in the lower school, Charles Beyer; in the middle school, Arthur J. White: in the upper school, Roderick White; in the upper school, Roderick cost, and the "all-round" prize to John

Hastings Thomas.

Amos K. Brown, a conductor in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad, was decapitated in the west yards at Columbia while his train was being made up. He was struck by a draught of cars and was thrown under the wheels. Brown was in his 63d year and was the second oldest conductor on the Philadelphia division.

Charged with robbing the office of he Montgomery and Chester Electric Company, at Spring City, of \$38 in cash and 200 tickets, O. Ardinger, of Hagerstown, was arrested in Reading by Detective Martz. Mame McCuller, with whom Ardinger had been boarding, was arrested charged with receiving stolen goods.

John Cabill, a foremen on the big of