History of Country. 26 BLOCKS IN PATERSON, N. J.

Beart of the City, Including Its Finest Build-Ings, Eaten Out by the Terrible Destroyer-Northeast Gale Baffles for Hours Efforts to Check It .- Scores Injured, But Loss of Life Uncertain-500 Dwellings Destroyed.

New York, (Special).-Paterson, N. J., was scourged Sunday by one of the greatest fires in the history of the coun-

The heart of the proud "Silk City" is a mass of ruins. It was caten out in less than 24 hours by a blaze which, for

sonville, Fla.

Major John Hinchliffe estimates the aggregate loss at not less than \$10,000,-

Scores of persons were burned or otherwise injured, but the loss of life is not believed to be great. Many persons are supposed to be missing, but in the excitement and fright most of these are probably separated from their families and friends. Until order is brought out of the situation little that is definite. out of the situation little that is definite on this point can be known.

Reuben Isleib, while serving coffee to

exhausted firemen, was hit on the head by a falling beam, and it is doubtful cuted.

If he will recover.

George Fitzmaurice, a fireman, is dy-tired.

ing. He was driving an engine from Passaic when the horses bolted, and before Fitzmaurice could get them under control they brought the apparatus against an electric pole. Fitzmaurice, who had not waited to strap himself in, was hurled out upon his, head.

Mrs. Brown, who it was said was over

So years old, was removed from her home, 18 Broadway, just two doors from where the fire started. She was taken to the house of a friend near by and died about an hour later. Her death was hastened by the excitement.

A number of firemen were overcome. An estimate made from a general inspection of the ruins puts the number of dwellings and apartment houses de-stroyed at 500 and the number of fami-lies left without shelter at 1,000.

The fire began at midnight and was checked only after a desperate fight that lasted until late Sunday morning. Every city and town within reach of Paterson sent firemen and apparatus, and it took their united efforts to win the battle. A northeast gale gave the conflagra-tion a great impetus and carried burn-ing brands to kindle the blaze afresh. ing brands to kindle the blaze arrest. The firemen made stand after stand be fore the wall of fire, but were repeatedly driven back. When victory ne to them they were exhausted.

# BURIED BENEATH TONS OF ROCK.

#### Premature Blast Kills and Injures Several Persons.

Greensville, Pa., (Special).-A fatal blasting accident occurred on the new cut-off of the Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroad near Osgood, two miles east murder, was lynched in Lynchburg of here. One man is missing and probof here. One man is missing and prob-ably dead; four are fatally injured and Menonite Church, died in Danvers, III. seven are suffering from fractured limbs, ribs and internal injuries. Su-perintendent Thomas McConville, of Scranton, Pa., sustained a fractured skull and a double fracture of the left leg. All the other injured are Italians, and their names could not be learned, as they are known to the contracting firm only by numbers.

The scene of the accident was a 25-foot cut about 1,000 feet from the new steel viaduct which is being constructed by the American Bridge Company. The men had entered the cut with Superintencent McConville and were pre-pared to make a blast. The charge had

#### ACTIVE SERVICE OVER. Admirals Sampson and Cromwell Put on the Retired List.

Washington, (Special).-The names of Rear Admirals William T. Sampson and Bartlett Cromwell were placed on the retired list Sunday on account of their having reached the age of 62 years. Rear Admiral Sampson is lying ill at his home in this city. Rear Admiral Cromwell is in command of the Euro-pean Station and his flagship, the Chi-cago, is now in the Mediterranean. Capt. Joseph E. Craig, commanding the Albany, the senior officer on the station will assume temporary command of the station upon Admiral Cromwell's retirement and will hold this command until the arrival on the scene early in April of Rear Admiral Crowninshield

## Prizes for Artists.

Philadelphia (Special).-The honors and prizes connected with the seventyfirst anual exhibition of the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts were awarded, with the exception of the gold medal of honor, which will probably be awarded at the next meeting of the board of directors. The Walter Lipboard of directors. The Walter Lippincott prize of \$100 was awarded to Walter McEwen for his picture, "An Ancestor," The Temple gold medal was awarded to Winslaw Homer for his picture, "Northeaster." The Mary Smith prize of \$100 was awarded to Eleanor Earle for her picture entitled "Firelight."

that Germany head a European movement against the United States in 1808 in defense of the monarchic principle.

The Venezuelan revolutionary steamer, the Libertador, has not been sunk by a government gunboat, as had been reported. Ninety-four political prisoners killed the commander of the fort at Cartagena and escaped.

## Salt Combine Incorporated.

Chicago (Special) - The Interna-onal Salt Company, with a capital stock of \$1,000,000, was incorporated at Springfield. According to Mark Morton, one of the incorporators, the new concern will take in the National Salt Company and the Retsof Salt Company of New York; Joy Morton & Co. of Chicago, and several other companies which Mr. Morton said he was not at liberty to name. Beside Mr. Morton, Daniel E. Gillingham and Daniel Peterkin, of Chicago, are named as incorpo-

## Barber Inhaled Hair.

Wabash, Ind. (Special.)-Andrew Teeter, a barber at Akron, 20 miles northwest of this city, is at death's door from a peculiar cause. He has followed O., has recommended the issue of bonds his trade for years, and some time ago to the amount of \$2,000,000 to co his lungs became affected. A specialist the intercepting sewer system and \$50, brought from Wisconsin made an exam-

NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD.

Domestic.

Warden Soffel of Allegheny County Jail, retained counsel to detend his wife, but will have nothing to do with her Major E. H. Barclay, editor of the Lexington (Va.) Gazette, died in Lexington from a blood-clot on the brain.

H. B. Grant who was a carrier of en.

ngton from a blood-clot on the brain.

H. B. Grant, who was a captain of entineers on General Beauregard's staff,
lied at his home, in Laurel, Miss.

Bartholome F. Clune, a New York
soliceman, committed suicide in prefer-

policeman, committed suicide in preference to sustaining charges.

Dr. W. Murray. Weidman, former president of the Pennsylvania Medical Society, died at Reading. Pa.

Rev. Edward A. Waldo, who disappeared from his home, in New York, five years ago, and who had been given up by his relatives as dead, has written to them from San Francisco, and his hother, George B. Waldo, a New York artist, has gone to California to bring artist, has gone to California to bring

less than 24 hours by a blaze which, for Count de Lucenay, of Calcutta, India, held in El Paso, Texas, on the
charge of false swearing, made a number of attempts to kill himself.

The insular presidentes in the Philippines will petition Monsignor Sharretti to expel the friars and friar bishons.

Former Commissary General Eagan is said to have been challenged to fight duel in Mexico. A receiver was appointed in Newark, I., for the Automobile Company of

Joseph Kearney, a well-known clown, died in the hospital at York, Pa., of The negro soldiers in the Philippines

who deserted to the enemy were exe-

Lieut. Edwin S. Jacob, U. S. N., re-tired, died at Galveston, Texas.

Admiral and Mrs. Schley visited the University of Tennessee, in Knoxville, and dedicated a marker on the site of the first blockhouse erected by the Knoxville There was a banquet in the

It is reported that the trustees of the Northwestern University, near Chicago, will ask for the resignation of Prof. Charles W. Pearson, who openly de-clared his nonbelief in the infallibility of

Philip Gerst, former city treasurer of with misappropriating \$27,000 of the ity's funds. Gerst was removed from ffice in December last by Mayor Diehl There was a lead-on collision between two passenger trains on the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, near Quantico, Va., but luckily no one

was seriously hurt.

James J. Frawley, a Tammany leader, and Alderman J. J. Dietz, accused of unlawful conduct in the recent election, surrendered and were held for a hearing.

An explosion of sulphur in a furnace in a convent at Mount Carmel, Pa., nearsuffocated nine Sisters of Charity.

A meeting of peninsula peach grow s, shippers and commission men de clared in favor of the five-eighths bas

The station at Delta, on the Mary-land and Pennsylvania Railroad, was looted, but the robbers did not get much. John T. Ford, deputy tax commis-sioner of Bronx Borough, was arrested on the charge of accepting a bribe.

William H. Souders, a prominent citizen of York, Pa., died suddenly of heart

Eulon Whittaker, colored, accused of

A dispatch from Dublin to the Lon-ion Pall Mall Gazette says the belief growing in Ireland that nothing short f a revolution is meant by the United Irish League. An interesting discussion took place

in the lower house of the Prussian Diet upon the attitude of the late President. McKinley toward bimetallism.

A medallion memorial of the late John Ruskin was unveiled in Westminster Above.

ster Abbey. General Herrera, commander of the Columbian insurgents, in a note to the

the Liberals have a strong force, and consider the capture of Panama and Colon necessary to the development of their military plans.

Mr. Brodrick stated in the House of

ommons that the total number of horses bought during the war in South Africa was 446,008, of which 77,101

came from the United States.
The French admiral at St. Thomas,
D. W. I. on the flagship Torge, ex-Bandissin, on the German imperial acht Hohenzollern.

he spot near Canterbury immortalized

Emperor William has taken steps to seek the crusade of the Faith Healers Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Schwah Commundant Murais, a Boer leader,

has been captured near Laingsburg.

Mr. Balfour announced in the House of Commons that copies of the correspondence between the Netherlands and Great Britain had been forwarded to Lord Milner, with instructions to ask Lord Kitchener to communicate the con-tents to the Boer leaders in the field.

A high German official explained to the Associated Press correspondent how the Emperor refused Spain's request that Germany head a European move-ment against the United States in 1808

## Financial.

The New York Subtreasury state nt shows that the banks lost \$4.029,-The Eric surplus after charges for

quarter ending December 31 was \$301,-551 as against \$300,120 last year. On four sales of Eric & Western preerred jumped from 134% to 138. close on the previous day was at 132.

The common capital stock of the Northern Pacific Company has been stricken from the list of the New York Stock Exchange.

The Cincinnati Court has sustained the lease of the Cincinnati, Southern Railway to Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific Railway, controlled by Southern Railway.

The Finance Committee of Cleveland

# THE POWERS TO THE INSURGENTS

Cannot Declare Panama Neutral Zone.

WILL INSIST UPON PROTECTION.

The Consuls Representing the United States France, Great Britain and Germany, Reply to the Note of the Insurgent General

"His Excellency, Acting Governor Aristides Arjona, kindly delivered to certain persons of the consular body let-ters from you. We understand they ters from you. We understand they were intended for all the consular corps and, therefore, through the Governor we beg to reply that the proposal de ine a neutral zone is ideal, and some hing that we, representing foreign in terests, would gladly hail as an accom-plished fact. However, as we see it at present, and in view of existing laws we recognize the difficulty, if not the

npossibility, of its accomplishment.
"It could be done only by agreeme between the contending parties to this unpleasant and unfortunate trouble. We are extremely anxious to do all in be ever and positively understood that we have been and will continue to re-

main neutral. "As regards the advising of their re spective government, each consul will exercise his individual judgment. In case the contending forces submit to us or to any member of our body any matter and asks advice for its determination, we shall be ready and willing to act, if the same is within the scope of our duties, but any and all initial measures must be taken by the two contending parties and first agreed upon by

"Foreigners and foreign property have a right to full and ample protec-tion, and this we shall under all circum-stances insist upon. The governments having special treaty rights will, we pressure see that they are not inducted. having special treaty rights will, we presume, see that they are not violated.

"In the hope that there will be an early termination of the civil strife which has existed for over two years. I beg to subscribe myself, in behalf of the consular corns, year, trails. the consular corps, very truly,
"H. A. GUDGER,
"Dean Consular Corps."

### ADMIRAL MONTOJO DEAD.

#### Dewey's Opponent at Manila, Who Was Degraded by His Government.

Madrid, (By Cable) .- The, death is announced of Vice Admiral Jose Mon-

the Spanish fleet in Manila Bay that was defeated by Admiral Dewey. The official report he made to his government showed him to be a very simple and brave officer. As that report recites, he fired his guns until there were no gunners left to fire them, passed, when his ship was shot from under him, to another; watched his little squadron go to the bottom around him, and in the end, when the fight was done, he re-treated, indeed, but as a lion does, his face to the foe. The account is infinitely pathetic. He was tried before the Su-preme Court of Spain, and condemned to retirement without the right of promotion, September 22, 1899. He has been living on his estates quietly since

## THREE EFFORTS TO DIE.

#### Took Strychnine and Broken Glass and Then Tried Drowning.

El Paso, Texas, (Special) - "Count"

His bride, who sat by his side during the proceedings, returned to jail to be near her husband. After the court had announced its decision the "Count" subsequent reeled and fell to the floor, writhing in and China. convulsions. Physicians who were sum oned treated him for strychnine poisoning, and after an hour's work re-stored him. He was taken to jail and a short time later it was reported that he had attempted to drown himself in a with Hohenzollern.

Thomas Sidney Cooper, the artist, ed at Vernoa Holme, Harbledown, c spot near Cantacher.

Harbledown, c spot near Cantacher.

Car Struck Funeral Party. Chicago (Special).-Violence pursued the Trostel family even after death, an electric car striking the funeral cortege the nine kinsmen who perished in were entertained in London by the Lord Wednesday's explosion in Twenty-sec-ond street. The collision occurred at Sixty-sixth street and Vincennes avenue, three persons being injured. An indignant crowd of mourners assailed Traeger saved the street car crew from injury by placing the men under arrest.

## Made Big Haul in Georgia.

Acworth, Ga. (Special.)-Safe-blowers forced the vaults of the Lemon
Banking Company here, securing \$5,000 in gold, a \$5,000 Georgia State bond
and a legge amount of company here. and a large amount of stock certificates. Between \$4,500 and \$5,000 in notes, stocks certificates and bonds were hopestocks certificates and explosion, and lessly mutilated by the explosion, and small bills demuch currency and small bills de-stroyed. A box filled with \$20 gold stroyed. A box filled with \$20 gold the reception and entertainment of H. pieces escaped the notice of the robbers. R. H. Prince Henry of Prussia," and the burglars had to blow through four this title is the formal one used by them

## \$20,000 From Husband's Murderer.

Austin, Texas, (Special).-Mrs. Libbis Barnhill, of Tennessee, recovered a Judgment in the Federal Court against eved L. T. Morgan, of Fayette county, Texas, \$20,000, equally divided between actual and exemplary damages. Half the amount goes to Mrs. Barnhill and the other half to her children. Her husband was a former business partner of Morgan and was killed by the later as the result, it is alleged, of a business disagreement.

## A University Threatened.

Suwanee, Tenn., (Special) -The 600 tudents and faculty in the University of the South are terrorized by threats of mountaineers to wreck the institution. Vice-Chancellor D. L. Wiggins ination and found the patient's throat and bronchial tubes full of short hairs, imbedded in the membrane. It is thought the hairs were inhaled while Teeter clipped hair, and the irritation brought on tuberculosis. His death is only a matter of a few days.

Ooo to establish free baths.

The annual report of the Diamond by the Diamond of the membrane in the company for the year ending December 31 shows net earnings of the college. The trouble is due to the establishing of a laundry at the university and the consequent loss by the mountainners of the work of washing for the students, which was their main support. and Stewart R. L. Colmore, to whom

# NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS.

Law Against Anarchism.

The House Committee on Judiciary ubmitted to the House a report upon the bill providing for the personal protection of the President, Vice-President Cabinet officers and foreign ambassadors

and ministers, and for the suppressio of opposition to organized governmen The report argues in favor of a Federal statute covering the case, and regards as a reproach the inability of the general government to prosecute the as-

he report says in part: This bill is intended to serve six pur-

First-To prevent resistance to and protect the President and Vice-President of the United States and those by law in the line of succession to that high office.

Second-To protect the ministers and ambassadors of foreign govern-ments accredited to and within the United States.

Third-To prevent the open and deliberate approval of certain crimes and also certain unlawful teachings, which, if permitted, are calculated and intended to breed lawlessness and crime against and culminate in the destruction

of the government.
"Fourth-To prevent the coming to naturalization in this country of ose who teach or entertain such pernicious doctrines. "Fifth—To prevent conspiracies in e United States to murder the rulers

of other civilized nations, "Sixth—To provide adequate and uni-SIXII—10 provide adequate and uni-form punishments for these offenses wherever committed. All are offenses against government and intended to im-pair or overthrow the government of the United States."

### Southern Forest Reserve.

Senator Pritchard, from the Committee on Forest Reservations, presented a report on the bill appropriating \$5,000,-000 for the creation of a national forest reserve in the South Appalachian region, as authorized by the committee several

The report urges the establishment of the reserve for the protection of the timber and the conservation of the waters of the land embraced within its proposed area, placing the damage done by floods arising in that area in 1901 at \$15,000,000.

It is said that the land needed can be rchased for from \$2 to \$3 per acre, and that in the Southern Appalachian Mountains there is a greater variety of hardwood trees than in any other terri-tory of like size in the Eastern States. is also stated that this region has th It is also stated that this region has the highest and largest mountains east of the Mississippi, the heaviest rainfall on the continent except along the Northern Pacific Coast, and that the washing away of the soils can be prevented only by keeping them covered with forests.

"The absence from this region of lakes and gravelly sails such as abound in the

and gravelly soils, such as abound in the Northern States and there serve to store the rains and give uniformity to the flow of streams," the report continues, "ren-ders the perpetuation of those Southern forests absolutely necessary for the pro-tection of both the soils and the streams."

### It Is Said to Cure Leprosy.

A Venezuelan plant, for which i claimed wonderful curative powers in cases of leprosy, has been called to the attention of the Secretary of Agriculture and sent to Hawaii for cultivation and experimentation.

Secretary Wilson says some experi ments have been made, but they have not demonstrated its curative qualities. Some of these shrubs were received here some time ago, and it was claimed for them that they would effect a cure of that dread and supposed-to-be incur-able disease. Some of them were sent to Hawaii to be experimented with and some were kept at the Department for examination. The Secretary says the investigation has not been abandoned, and the experiments will continue until the merits of the shrub are fully tested.

## Roosevelt Is Left Out.

pared to make a offset. The charge has grand in surgents, in a note to the tampered with the battery and set the tampered with the battery and set the consuls, asks that the line of the Panama-Columbia Railroad be declared a mentral zone. The commander says

The men were buried beneath tons of the panama-Columbia Railroad be declared a neutral zone. The commander says grand jury. In default of \$1,000 bail he to the last off without a moment's warning.

The President has approved, with one notable exception, all the recommendations made by the Army Brevet mendations made In default of \$1,000 bail he Board, of which General MacArthur was president, for the bestowal of brevet rank on all the officers of the army who rendered especially meritorious services during the war with Spain and in the

The exception noted is the case of Theodore Roosevelt, who was awarded the brevets of colonel and brigadiergeneral for distinguished services at San Juan, Santiago. Under the law these revets require the confirmation of the Senate, and the nominations have been made out for transmission to that body, but, as already stated, the list will not contain the name of the President.

## Appropriations for the Departments.

The House passed the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, the second of the regular supply bills. As passed it carries \$25,171,069, which is \$503,721 in excess of the current law. Only two amendments of importance were adopted. One provides for a commission to redistrict the legislative dis-tricts of Oklahoma, and the other au-thorizes the President, in his discrethorizes the President, in his discretion, to cover into the civil service the temporary clerical force employed on account of the war with Spain. There are about 1.250 of these clerks still in the service. By the terms of the away by his companions.

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Americans are interested in the Ivory are about 1.250 of these clerks still in the latter, who companion of the war with Spain. There are about 1.250 of these clerks still in the latter, who companion that the latter, who companion is a still large and the latter, who companion is a still large. The latter is the latter in the latter, who companion is a still large. The latter is the latter in the latter is the latter in the latter. The latter is the latter in the latter is the latter in the latter in the latter. The latter is the latter in the latter is the latter in the latter is the latter in the latter in the latter in the latter is the latter in the latter in the latter in the latter is the latter in the latter in the latter in the latter in the latter is the latter in the latter in the latter in the latter is the latter in the latter is the latter in the latter i

# The Official Reception Committee.

Assistant Secretary of State Hill, Adutant-General Corbin and Rear-Admiral Evans have been officially designated as "the President's delegates for in all their correspondence.

## Capital News in General.

Governor Taft told the Senate committee investigating affairs, in the Philippines that the frairs were the moneyed people of the islands.

E. S. Theall, representing Stayton &

Campbell, counsel for Admiral Samp-son, filed with the President a protest against the claim set up in Admiral Schley's appeal that he was in supreme command during the battle off Santiago. The paper will be considered by the President in connection with Admiral Schley's appeal and the Navy that Department's comment.

reported favorably a bill to protect the President and for the suppression of crime against the Government.

The House of Representatives passed the Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill, carrying \$25,171,-

The House Committee on Judiciar

The Judiciary Committee of the House reported favorably on the bill for a national bureau of identification. The United States Senate passed the Pension Appropriation bill and discussed the Philippine tariff bill.

Miss Helen Hay, eldest daughter of the Secretary of State, was married to Pavne Whitney, of New York.

# ELEVEN ARE DEAD AND MANY INJURED

Burning of a Small Hotel in St. Louis Results Fatally.

THE GUESTS LEAP FROM WINDOWS.

Considerable Delay in Turning in an Alarm -When the Fire Department Arrives the Whole Front of the Building Is in Flames-Some Escape Fire In Their Nightclothes to Be Frostbitten on the Streets.

St. Louis, Mo., (Special) .- A fire here, which destroyed the Empire Hotel, a large three-story building at 2700 and 2702 Olive street, caused the death of 11 persons and dangerously injured eight others.

Ten or more who had narrow escape from death in the fire were injured by being frostbitten. Between 35 and 40 persons were in the building. It is believed that \$20,000 will cover the damage to the building and contents The fire started about 3.30 A. M. and gained considerable headway before it

was discovered. There was delay in turning in an alarm. When the engines finally reached the scene the whole front of the building was in flames and By that time all who escaped death had gotten out of the building by jump-ing from the windows or climbing dowr

ropes made of bedclothes. A few es-caped from the ground floor through the front door. Some of the escapes the front door. Some of the escapes were narrow. Almost everybody who got out was frostbitten.

The guests barely had time to flee the guests barely had time to flee when aroused, the flames had spread so rapidly. Some saved their clothing which they carried in their hands, but others were not so fortunate, losing

everything.
After some delay, near-by houses were opened to the unfortunates and they were given shelter from the biting cold weather. It was one of the coldest nights of the winter, the ground being covered with ice and snow. The worst sufferers were put in the care of physi-

### LIVES LOST IN CAR WORKS FIRE. Burning of the Rock Island Railroad Shops-

Several Persons Injured. Horton, Kan. (Special.)- Pire in the big car works of the Rock Island Railroad caused the death of two persons and the destruction of \$250,000 worth of

The fire broke out in the cabinet department and spread so rapidly that the employees on the second floor and in Superintendent Studer's office hardly escaped with their lives, many of the being slightly walls of the car shops fell 20 minutes after the fire was discovered. The loss on the building is \$50,000; machinery, \$100,000; material, \$100,000. The en-gine house was destroyed, but the new 75,000 boiler plant was saved. lost his life in trying to save Davis.

#### OVER 200 INCHES OF SKIN GRAFTED. A Chicago Boy's Father and Mother Give Up

Cuticle to Patch Him Up. Chicago (Special) .- After five months of wonderful surgery and skin grafting Marion Weaver, the five-year-old son tures of the United States. The followof a Chicago preacher, has emerged from the hospital with a new coat of skin. More than 219 square inches have been grafted upon his abdomen, back and sides. His father and four bro-

greatest difficulty was experienced in looms, 450,682. The figures for Mary-getting the new skin to grow upon the land show: Capital, \$7,700,256; value of moving diaphragm, and more than 100 products, \$5,421,350, and looms, 2,810 quare inches were wasted in

Cheyenne, Wyo. (Special.)-Two Cheyenne. Wyo. (Special.)—Two percheron stallions, imported from England, fought a duel to the death on a bade the Major farewell. An American subsequent campaigns in the Philippines | fast stock train on the Union Pacific One was killed, the car was smashed into splinters, and Edgar Boise, the owner of the animals, lost \$1,500, the value of his horses.

The two keepers of the animals had to climb outside to escape the hoofs and teeth of the infuriated animals. they succeeded in apprising the train-men of the battle, a side track was reached and every effort was made to separate the animals, but finally one severed the jugular of its rival, which bled

A Battle With Burglars. Gap, Pa., (Special) -A half-dozen cracksmen attempted to rob the Gap National Bank at this place, and but for the bravery of Special Officer David Stamix they would doubtless have succeeded. A fusilade of shots were exchanged between Stamix and the burg-lars, and one of the latter, who com-

## Big Fire in North Carolina.

Washington, N. C. (Special).-The Atlantic Coast Line freight deput, five stores, two offices and two barrooms were destroyed by fire. The loss is s for \$50,000 on buildings and \$20,000 on f H. goods. A falling wall killed Ed. Peed, and a negro freman. A number of kegs of powder blew up, but no one was in-

# Chinese Dismiss Foreigners.

Pekin, (By Cable) -The Chinese Government dismissed all the European professors from the Imperial Univerity. The President, Mr. Martin, has been offered a subordinate position. The term "university" has been largely a misnomer. The instruction was chiefly in languages and the elementary branches. The Chinese directors say that elementary schools are more

#### Alcohol Fuel ou Warships. Berlin, (By Cable.)-Emperor Wil-

liam visited the alcohol exhibition here. and showed keen interest in the planfor introducing alcohol fuel on war-ships. His Majesty advised Professor ships. His Majesty advised Professor Delbrucck to draw up a plan and offer a price for reversible alcohol engines.

#### Ald for Earthquake Sufferers. City of Mexico, (Special)-The Fed-

eral Government has voted \$20,000 in aid of the victims of the earthquake at Chilpaneingo and the city government of this capital will send aid.

# PRESIDENT GOES TO GROTON.

Young Theodore's Condition Continues Favorable. Washington, D. C., (Special).-Pres-

dent Roosevelt, accompanied by Secretary Cortelyou, left here for Groton Mass., in a special car attached to the regular train over the Pennsylvania Railroad

It was stated that the President felt his presence would be a comfort to Mrs. Roosevelt, and that as the critical period covers the next three days, he should be near his son. It is also stated that the trip to Massachusetts is taken on the President's own initiative, and is not due to any alarming news which has reached him concerning his son's condition.

The following statement was issued at

The following statement was issued at the White House:

"The condition of the President's son is favorable. The doctors say that the President should not go to Charleston, as at any time within six days the disease may take a sudden turn for the worse."

Owing to the request of the doctors, the President abandoned his trip to Charleston, but took the matter of a trip to Groton into his own hands

## BOER OFFICERS CAPTURED.

### A Whole Commando of 131 Men Is Reported Taken.

Johannesburg. (By Cable) .- Accordng to information just received he.e, Colonel Kekewich, having ascertained the whereabouts of Commundant Aibert's laager at Gruisfontein, sent men to capture it.

The British force arrived at daybreak stampeded the horses of the Boers with pompoins and a well-directed rifle fire. The Boers were completely surprised, and after a short reply to the British attack practically the total command, it is stated, fell into the hands of Mackenzie's force, who captured 131 prisoners, including Commandant Pett-gieter and Cornet Duplessis.

Seven Boers were killed and 12 were wounded, nearly all belonging to the Krugersdorp commando, the whole of which is now practically accounted for. The Scottish Horse, which took the main part in the affair, acted with great gallantry. The British loss, it is said was 10 officers and men wounded

### THREW HIS BODY INTO THE RIVEN. A Female Accomplice Betrays the Man Who Committed the Murder.

Kansas City, Mo. (Special.)-Noah Long, an aged stone mason, living in Argentine, Kan., just across the river from here, mysteriously disappeared from his home a week ago. The day before he had drawn \$210 pension before he had drawn \$210 pension money from a savings deposit bank. Saturday a woman named Rhoda Taylor made a written confession to the police that Long had been robbed and thrown into the Kaw river. She declares that Henry Donohue, James Goff, Long and herself were together at Donohue's house in the evening, and that later the men robbed Long and threw later the men robbed Long and threw him into the river.

Manufacturers of Cotton. The Census Bureau has issued a preliminary report on the cotton manufacit g is a summary of the figures for the manufactures, exclusive of the small

Esta+lishments, 969; capital. \$460, been grafted upon and sides. His father and four broand sides. His father and four brothers gave up long strips of cuticle to ers, 297,029; total wages, \$85,120,310;
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total cost of materials used, \$173,441,390;
cost of materials used, \$173,441,390;
burned while playing with matches,
Surgeons say this is the most wonderful case of skin grafting on record. The
ful case of skin grafting on record. The
difficulty was experienced in
looms, 450,682. The figures for Marylooms, 45

The Command at Pekin. Pekin (By Cable).-Major Edgar B. Robertson, of the Ninth Infantry, started for Manila, and Capt. Andre W. Brewster, of the same regiment, assumed command of the United States Legation

#### honor was mounted at the railroad station.

Disaster in a Church. Panama, (By Cable) -An accident in the Church of Horencitos, in Chiriqui, resulted in the death of 13 persons and the severe wounding of 30 others.

#### Prince Henry's Long Service. Berlin, (By Cable,)-Prince Henry, soon after returning from the United States, will celebrate the quarter centen-

ary of his service in the navy. ODDS AND ENDS OF THE NEWS.

for trafficking in exemptions from the German military service, was sentenced to 20 months' imprisonment. A woman hurled a package of eggs down upon the deputies in the French

of public instruction, was assassinated at Sona by a Macedonian, who then comunitted suicide Adam Worth, alias "Harry Raymond," who had been connected with bank rob-beries in the United States, died in Lon-

he message of Governor Van Sant,

of Minnesota, in opposition to the rail-road merger in Minnesota, was read to the Legislature. Mrs. Rita H. de Acosta Stokes, the former wife of W. E. D. Stokes, a New York millionaire, was married in New York to Capt. Philip M Lydig. Two hours later they sailed for Europe.

A Mackey-Smith, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, Washington,

was elected, at Philadelphia, coadjutor to Bishop Whitaker, of the Pennsylvania The Town Council of Charles Town, W. Va., passed an order prohibiting the production of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Robbers looted a bank in Clarkville, Ark. of several thousand dollars and killed Sheriff Powers.

Six firemen were killed and six others were injured by a falling wail in St.

The Railway Seed Spring Company has been organized, with a capital of \$20,000,000. Mrs John Ramer, formerly of Mar-tinsburg, died in Oakland, Cal

Lord Salisbury unveiled a life-size marble statue of Queen Victoria at the Junior Constitutional Club. Speaking at a dinner, Lord Salisbury said the Irish leaders were today more uncompromising than in the days of Panell, and a very serious problem was presented there.

# PENNSYLVANIA

BRIEFLY TOLD. Condensed Special Dispatches From Many Points.

PATENTS AND PENSIONS GRANTED.

Six New Companies Incorporated at Harrisburg-Father Accused of Wounding His Daughter at Shamokin-Lancaster County Man Has Dwelt Outdoors Many Years ... Farmers' Institute at Pineville.

Pensions granted: John W. Hanna, Vanburen, \$12; Maurice Kavanaugh, Kane, \$17; Matthew H. Holman, Alle-gheny, \$8; William Stone, Mercers-Vanburen, \$12; Maurice Kavanaugn, Kane, \$17; Matthew H. Holman, Allegheny, \$8; William Stone, Mercersburg, \$12; Alonzo Wheeler, Washington, \$8; George Keefer, Tylersburg, \$17; William F. Blair Kantner, \$30; Stephen Shaff, Keeneyville, \$17; Lemuel Davis, Bradford, \$8; William K. Kuhns, Leechburg, \$8; John S. Mufford, Monroe, \$14; Nathaniel Butler, Johnstown, \$8; Calvin H. Crowl, Tioga, \$14; Sarah J. Sharah, Tyrone, \$8; minors of Cornelius Bouse, Marshville, \$14; Mary A. Funk, Homestead, \$8; Frances V. Hellyer, Allegheny, \$12; Mary E. Cramer, Moshannon, \$12; Electa Green, Mashview, \$12; Peter L. Ammon, Rural Valley, \$8; William Patterson, West Middletown, \$12; William Lint, Connellsville, \$30; Joseph Bebarger, Masseysburg, \$8; Enoch Diehl, Middlespring, \$12; Lorenzo Nill, Fldred, \$8; David Lattin, Mot rocton, \$12; Catherine M. Pealer, Lansford, \$8; Catherine Ewing, Vaynesburg, \$12.

Patents granted: Alfred M. Acklin, Pittsburg, car haul; Eimer P. Alexander, Yeagertown, press for forging axes, etc.; Ernest L. Appleby, Bradford, rerolving phonograph record case; Ralph Baggaiey, Pittsburg, railway track ad-iuster; Lester H. Bayne, Washington, tramway switch; Philip J. Bloom, Tidiramway switch; Philip J. Bloom, Tidi-oute, suspender attachment; Alonzo W. Upright, Altoona, bolt cutting machine; Gideon Crazier, Tyrone, variable speed driving mechanism; George W. Henry Oil City, cultivator; William J. Knox. Edgewood Park, testing copper ores; Carl W A. Koelkebeck, Pittsburg, hot blast stove; Samuel Leonard, Hollidays-burg, trolley wire bracket; Ernest B. Lydick, Pittsburg, vibrating sign; Domburg, trolley wire bracket; Ernest B Lydick, Pittsburg, vibrating sign; Dom-inick J. Meyer, Allegheny, metallic railtie and rail fastening; Gustave Palmblad, McKeesport, curtain and shade holder; Robert F. Phillips, Pittsshade holder; Robert F. Philips, Pitts-burg, kiln for dying green sand cores; William H. F. Reitsnyder, Sackett, rail joint; Joseph K. Ritchey, Roaring Springs, blackboard; William H. Rob-bins, J. B. Rye and A. E. Jones, Elle-wood City, mill for rolling seamless tubes.

Efforts that proved unavailing have been made during the extreme cold weather of the past few days to have Gottleib Goldvohl an aged resident of Lancaster county, to give up his abode in the open air. He came to this country at the close of the Civil War. and since then he has never sought the shelter of a house, living outdoors in all sorts of weather. He is now domiciled in a small woods near Elizabethtown. His only protection at night consists of rags and tattered clothing begged from farmers. For five years Gohdvohl. with his wife, who is now dead, lived in the open along the Conestoga Creek. The man is well read and perfectly

The Wrightstown Farmers' Club, assisted by the State Board of Agriculture, held its annual institute at Pineville. The exercises included the following addresses: "Household Conveniences" and "Handling Milk and Butter Making," by Prof. Welk W. Cooke; "How Shall We Study and Teach from Nature," "Higher Education for Farmers' Children" and "The Wife's Share, by Thomas J. Phillips; "The Culture and Feeding of the Corn Crop" and "What the City Farmer Teaches Us," by L. W. Lighty. Charters were issued by the State De-Wrightstown Farmers' Club.

Charters were issued by the State Department to these corporations:—Leroy Instrument Company, Pittsburg: capi-tal, \$2,500. The Hanney-White Comtal, \$2,500. The Hanney-White Com-pany, Philadelphia; capital, \$100,000. The Sportsmen's Supply Company, Pittsburg; capital, \$20,000. American Narrow Fabric Company, Reading; cap-ital, \$2,000. The American Construction Company, Pittsburg; capital, \$2,000. The Extension Safety Squib Company, Wilkes-Barre; capital, \$1,000.

Lewis Nivetsky was arrested at Shamokin, charged with stabbing daughter, Mrs. Josephine Argu daughter, Mrs. Josephine Argusky, while she was asleep. Nivetsky, it is alleged, went to his daughter's room and stabbed her twice in the side with a pocket knife. He was caught by the woman's husband. Mrs. Argusky quarrelled with her father and it said swore to have satisfaction before

Suit was entered by the State on in-formation received from citizens of luntingdon, against the Huntingdon (as Compan) and the Huntingdon Dectric Company, to restrain those cor-Baumann, the originator of the scheme orations from consolidating and transcting business as one corporation. John Zaginski, a wealthy Pole, of Homestead, and his three children are ill from the effects of drinking water from a well alleged to have been poison-

ed by quicksilver. Zaginakl says it was the result of spite work. Mrs. Harriet Camp, of Mt. Carmel, iell on a hot stove. Her clothing caught fire and she was burned to death.

Frank Bura was crushed to death at he Stoddart Washery, Gilberton. Mrs. Louis Weaver, who set fire to a house on November 23, was acquitted at Scranton on the ground of insanity. Charles Washky, a tippleman, was crushed to death in the mines, and Jas. Johnston, of West Newton, fell from a train and was instantly killed at Greens-

Frederick Speilman, aged 78 years, was instantly killed near Donohoe Station by a fast train. He came recently from Connellsville.

While an Italian laborer was thawing dynamite of a railroad job at Cook's Run twelve sticks exploded. The man died on the way to the hospital. Escaping gas filled the houses of several residents of Jeanette, at Plymouth, but the leak was discovered early. The families of Geo. H. Bittenbender. Thos. Richards, William Nichols and John Bowden were made ill, but soon recovered.

While walking through Hauto Tun-nel, Tamaqua, on his way to work, Imro Bellish was struck by a train and so badly injured that he died several hours

Sixteen candidates for the office of mine inspector in Schuylkill, Columbia and Northumberland counties, were examined at Pottsville by the new board created by the act of the last Legislature.

After suffering sometime from melan-choly, Benjamin Hersbey, a farmer and butcher of East Hempfield Township, committed outcide at his home, near Landisville, by shooting himself in the bood with a rifla