STRIKERS REJECT

THE AGREEMENT

Arbitration Verdict in Norfolk Fails to End Trouble.

DECLARED IT TO BE ONE-SIDED.

In a Clash Between a Mob and Four Companles of Militia Five Soldiers Were Badly In-Jured-The Militia Charged the Mob With Fixed Bayonets and a Number of Persons Were Hurt-Situation Reaches Grave Stage.

Norfolk, Va. (Special.)-The strike situation in Norfolk, according to conservative opinion, has reached its gravest stage.

The street railway employees absolutely refuse to comply with the terms of settlement set for them by the arbitration committee, by which the railway officials have announced their inten-tion to abide. The strikers declare that the decision is one-sided, and that in agreeing to return to work with non-union men they would forfeit their charter in the international union. This they positively refuse to do. The com-mittee's report sets forth that the bond required by the railway company is jus-tifiable and reasonable and will work no hardship upon the men. The company is asked to reinstate 138 of its former employees, who are to give the required bond, and also to retain under like con-ditions 15 per cent. of the men brought

here to take the strikers' places.

The strikers met, and after a closed meeting lasting several hours, formally decided not to go back to work under the conditions prescribed in the decision of the committee. Hugh Gordon Miller and D. J. Coleman, Jr., their counsel, told them that they were bound by their letter to the Chamber of Commerce accepting the arbitration committee to abide by that body's decision. The strikers refused to accept this advice, and counsel, it is said, withdrew from

the case, R. Lancaster Williams, president of the Norfolk Railway and Light Comat the Monticello Hotel. The compa is determined to run its cars regard-less of the strikers, and will not further treat with them as an organized body.

THE WAESLAND SUNK.

Collided With the Harmonides in a Dense Fog -Two Drowned.

London, (By Cable).-The American Line steamer Wacsland, Captain Atfeld, from Liverpool, March 5, for Philadelphia, and the British steamship Harmonides, Captain Pentin, from Para, February 13, for Liverpool, met in collision off Holyhead, Wales. The Waesland sank. Her passengers and crew were

The Harmonides rescued the passen

The Harmonides rescued the passengers and crew of the Waesland and took them to Liverpool. The Waesland carried 32 cabin and 82 steerage passengers. The Waesland is owned by the International Navigation Company, but flies the Belgian flag. She plied regularly in the American Line service between Philadelphia and Liverpool, touching and the American Line service between Philadelphia and Liverpool, touching at Queenstown each way. Formerly she was known as the Russia. The collision occurred in a thick fog at 11.30 o'clock P. M., when the Waesland was about 40 miles southwest of Holyhead. The Har-monides struck the Waesland amidships and there was a terrible shock

Reported Rebel Victory in Colombin.

Panama, Colombia (By Cable) .- For the last two days it has been persistently rumored here that the Government forces have sustained a severe defeat. It is said that when the Colombian gunboat Boyaca landed reinforcements at Chiriqui, the civil and military chief of the province, R. Lastra, prepared to at-tack the revolutionists at San Pablo, tack the revolutionists at San Pablo, about five miles from David, and sent Colonel Luque forward with 200 recruits. The latter, not knowing the cruits. The latter, not knowing the country well, are said to have been sured by the British, had been country well, are said to have been sured death, but his sentence has been communicated by the British, had been country well, are said to have been sured by the British, had been country well, are said to have been sured by contramental and sentenced to death, but his sentence has been communication of the enemy between two musted to banishment for life.

Berlin newspapers publish reports that a quarre, which shooting Anderson through the right temple, the ball coming out the eye and causing his death. Conway escaped and causing his death. Conway escaped and causing his death. Conway is quite men are unmarried and Conway is quite men are unmarried and Conway is quite men are unmarried and Conway accused Anderson of the contract of revolutionists were able to shoot down

Changing Its Tax Laws.

St. Paul, Minn., (Special).-After defeating several taxation measures, a conference committee of the two houses of the Legislature reported a compromise on what is known as the constitutional the Senate. A tax on franchises or on gross carnings of corporations at the option of the Legislature, a tax on the cent, and a general income tax on in-comes exceeding \$1,000, are the principal changes over existing statutes

Foreigners Being Eliminated.

Washington, (Special).-The Russian government is gradually eliminating all American tourists on board, arrived at foreigners from the public service, ac- Jaffa. cording to a report from Consul-General Holloway, at St. Petersburg, dated Feb-The report is made in view of a number of inquiries from young Americans which have been received at the St. Petersburg consulate as to the pros-pect of securing employment from the Russian government as civil, electrical or mechanical engineers or in public

Murder in Richmond.

Richmond, Va. (Special).-William Clayton, a well-known contracting painter, was murdered here in a manner that He was ound on the street in a residential secion of the city Trightfully beaten, and died without having regained consciousness. His head was crushed and one of his eyes almost pinched out. Clayton left three grown daughters and two sons.

\$1.50 an Ounce for Silver.

New Haven, Conn., (Special) .- "A dollar and a half at once and no questions asked," is the offer made by Gen. George Hare Ford to the thieves who broke into his home and stole a quantity of silver articles valued at \$1,500. Many of them are family pieces and much more valuable to the owner than to anyone else. Among the goods stolen from General Ford were a collection of loving cups, a Russian snuffbox, inlaid with precious stones, and silver spoons that had been in the family since 1740.

530,000 for a Portrait.

New York, (Special) .-- A Paris caegram to the New York World says; Charles T. Yerkes, who is promoting rapid transit in London, recently sent to umin Constant, the artist, a check for \$30,000, probably the highest price ever paid by anybody for his own portrait. An original feature of this parment is that the price denianded and agreed upon was \$20,000, but Mrs. Yerkes was to pleased with her his-band's likeness that the railway magnate

THE NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD.

James Webster, a traveling salesman of Rochester, N. Y., who was wanted in that city on the charge of forgery, com-mitted suicide in a New York hotel, where he had registered under an as-

The Central Labor Union of Norfolk, Va., adopted resolutions condemning Governor Montague and the civil author s of Norfolk for having militia sent the scene of the street car strike.

The Virginia Senate reported favora-bly the bill for a tunnel as a means of transportation between the cities of Nor-folk, Portsmouth and Berkley, and adcrsely on the other propositions. Charles Hudspeth, of Richmond, Va.

who was for some time at the head of a transatlantic transportation company, is missing and is believed to have com-

Christopher Garrison, an employe of the Winchester (Va.) City Hall, was sentenced to six months in jail for let-ting a female prisoner escape from police cadquarters.
The burned body of Mrs. James M.

Howard was found hanging in the cel-lar of her home, in Barakhamstead, Ct., with no traces of fire around it, and the police are mystified.

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Thirteen people were killed and 28 more or less injured by a wreck caused by a broken rail on the Southern Pacific Railroad near Sanderson, Tex.

The coroner's jury in Lowell, Mich., decided that Mrs. William Klump died from greenburge mysled in a package

om strychnine mailed in a package beled headache powder. Three men looted the house of an

Gen. Julius S. Estey, president of the latey Organ Company ded at his latey Organ Company ded at his latey of the latey Organ Company ded at his later of the lat Estey Organ Company, died at his home, in Brattleboro, Vt.

The General Education Board, to promote Southern education, was organized

A strike of the anthracite miners in ennsylvania now seems imminent. The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company filed a mortgage for \$75,000,000 in the County Court at Clarksburg, W. Va., in favor of the Union Trust Company of New York to liquidate all outstanding mortgages previously given on lines operated by the Baltimore and Ohio Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Vir-

Advices received at the head office of the Hudson Bay Company, at Winnipeg, Man., declare that evidences have been found of the killing of Explorer Andree and his companions by an Eskimo tribe. In view of the action of President Roosevelt and the Attorney General, the executive officials of the Western rail-roads, at a meeting in Chicago, voted to

abolish pooling agreements.

The main office of the Norfolk and Western Railroad will be moved from New York to Philadelphia because the Pennsylvania's interests now practically

ndicted for securing \$14,000 under

The surveyors who are engaged in the resurvey of Mason and Dixon's Line have ound many of the old markers and have had some interesting experiences.

By a gas explosion in the Catsburg
Mine, near Monongahela, Pa., five men
were entombed and a number of their

comrades injured. Mrs. William Klump died in Lowell, lich., from poison which had been mailed to her in a package labeled headache powder.

\$5,000,000, is in process of organization, with headquarters in New York.

false pretenses.

Queen Alexandra was the sponsor at the launching of the British first-class battleship Queen, and King Edward officiated at the laying of the keel plate of the first-class battleship King Edward VII. at Plymouth.

which was in collision with the steamer Waesland off Holyhead, was towed into Liverpool with a great hole in her bows She brought the passengers of the Waeswhich went down

The French Minister of Finance stated in the Chamber of Deputies, in answer to a query, that all sugar bounties would be a query, that all sugar bounties would be abolished, and that he thought the result of the convention would be beneficial.

In the City Temple, in London, Rev. Joseph Parker arraigned King Edward Joseph Parker arraigned King Edward

for brewing beer and attending a Sunday Hon. Alfred Lyttleton, according to an

English rumor, may succeed Lord Pauncefote as British Ambassador at Washington. King Edward laid the foundation for

a new royal naval college for cadets at The White Star liner Celtic, with

The refusal of the Bankers' Commis son to accept the February installment of the Chinese indemnity owing to the foreign governments being unable to agree to terms concerning its division will, it is feared, render collection of fu-ture installments more difficult.

The American Line steamer Waesland. from Liverpool for Philadelphia, and the British steamer Harmonides, from Para-for Liverpool, collided at night off Holy-head, Waies. The Waesland sank, but her passengers and crew were saved. Gen. Tung Fu Hsiang is causing the Chinese court much uneasiness by sisting in surrounding himself w body of troops, and which may

The Pope received a number of envoys from different parts of Europe, in-cluding one from Emperor William. They presented him with costly gifts.

Financial.

The New York Subtreasury statement shows that the banks lost \$4,336,000 last

The "Monthly Supplement" in Ant-werp shows that the losses in the dia-mond market have been over \$1,600,000. W. E. Small & Co., stockbrokers and members of the New York Cotton Ex-change, with headquarters in Macon, Ga., have suspended.

The Baldwin Locomotive Works has received contracts for fifty oil-burning locomotives and 69 coal-burning engines from the Atchison Railroad.

The Pullman Palace Car Company has already received contracts for their entire output for 1902.

At the annual meeting of Canadian General Electric it was decided to apply to the government for permission to in-crease capital stock from \$2,000,000 to

crease capital stock from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000. The directors and officers were re-elected.

The capital stock of the Dominion Securities Company is to be increased from \$1,500,000 to \$3,000,000. The additional issue of stock will be placed in the freasury of the company for the purpose of financing a railroad proposition and accoming further seems the and proporties.

PREPARING FOR WAR WITH JAPAN

Some Startling Rumors Through Chinese Sources.

THE DISPUTE OVER MISSION LAND.

Merchants Declare They Have Been Ordered to Remove Their Families From Port Arthur -Russian Troops Seat luto the Jehol Gold Country in China-The Capture of a Priest by Bandits.

London (By Cable).-In a dispatch dated Shanghai the correspondent of the Standard says that Chinese merchants ming from Port Arthur declare they save been ordered to remove their families from Port Arthur, because preparations were being made there for a war with Japan.

Pekin (By Cable).-Chinese officials are greatly disturbed over the conditions at Jehol (Chengte), about 100 miles northeast of Pekin, where bandit sol-

ery have captured a priest. An official of the Foreign Office de-clares that the Russians have already dispatched 500 troops to Jehol from the

The trouble began over the settlement of claims of native Christians, and it resulted in rioting between the Christians and the non-Christians. Brigands took advantage of these conditions to plunder aged retired farmer named Smith at the country, and the Russian telegraphic Saxonburg, Pa., murdered the old man connections were incidentally cut. The and tortured his wife.

> It was reported March 7 from Pekin that the Chinese court had ordered the immediate release of this priest in order to forestall the entry of foreign troops into the district of Jehot, which is rich in cold in the chinese court had ordered the contract under this act, or directly at indirectly receive any money or thing of value or worth under the provinces. in gold mines.

roperty here which is in dispute be ders the American mission property, and previously occupied by undesirable namen. The French consul stopped building operations on the disputed property and placed a policeman there French flag has not been raised

over the property. The American consul here, James W. Ragsdale, is maintaining a firm attitude, and does not believe serious develop-ments to be likely.

MOTHER'S FATAL MISTAKE.

A New York Woman Gives Her Young Babe Carbolic Acid.

Ex-Mayor Frank A. Magowan was arrested in Trenton, N. J., as a fugitive from justice in Philadelphia, where he mother, who gave the child carbolic acid child of Mrs. Henrietta Tins, died here posed conference with General Wood. mother, who gave the child carbolic acid instead of soothing medicine the doctor

had prescribed.

Mrs. Tins is so prostrated with grief that she is herself under a doctor's care, and everything possible is being done to quiet her. The mother had administered a teaspoonful of the poison to the little girl before she discovered her mistake, and, though doctors worked over the child for hours, the effect of the acid could not be overcome.

Elsie had been suffering with an ab-scess on the back of her neck for several days, and a physician had prescribed a wash of carbolic acid and an internal A perfumery combine, with a capital of

Charleston, W. Va., (Special).—At 1890: Number of establishments, 9,355, inoung. Conway accused Anderson of talking about him."

U. S. Squadron at Colon. Colon, Colombia, (Special).-The United States squadron, comprising the battleship Kearsarge, Indiana, Massahusetts and Alabama, under command chusetts and Alabama, under command of Rear-Admiral Francis J. Higginson, entered the harbor and will probably remain here several days. United States Consul Oscar Malmros boarded the flagship immediately upon the arrival of the quadron and paid his respects to Ad-

Over Hundred Villages Shaken Up. Baku, Russian Transcaucasia, (By Cable).-The official report of the committee which has been investigating the recent earthquake at Shamaka shows that 126 villages, with a total of 0.084 houses, were included in the area of the disturbance: that 3,496 houses were destroyed and 3,043 damaged. Besides the dwell-ings, 4,163 farm buildings, 11 churches, 1 mosques, 11 factories and the

To Prosecute Railroads.

Chicago, (Special). - The United States district attorney has received instructions from Washington to prosecute all railroad companies whose repre-sentatives testified to violation of the law at the recent Interstate Commerce Commission's hearing. Similar action will beneficiaries named in the policy, and be taken in other States.

Charlottesville's New Building.

Washington, (Special).-The Senate Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds authorized a favorable report on a new public building for Charlottesville, Va., to cost \$100,000.

Scouts Discover Boer Magazine.

London, (By Cable).-Lord Kitchener, in a dispatch from Pretoria, reports the discovery of a Boer magazine in a cave northeastward of Rictz, Orange River Colony, containing 310,000 rounds of rifle ammunition, hundreds of shells and fuses, 200 pounds of powder, a maxim gun, helios, field telegraphs and quantities of stores. Thirty five Boers have been captured in the same neighborhood since March 4. The was discovered by Canadian commanded by Colonel Ross.

A Big GH DeaL

Wheeling, W. Va. (Special.)-J. B. ginia oil operators, has just closed a deal by which he disposes of all his West Virginia interests for \$1,000,000 Robinson, one of the pioneer West Vir-West Virginia interests for \$1,000,000 ister, paid farewell calls to the President to the South Penn Company. The holdwest Virginia interests for \$1,000,000 to the South Penn Company. The holdings comprise 7,000 acres in defined territory in Wetzel and Marion counties and a number of producing wells. Mr. Robinson followed the oil business into West Virginia from Pennsylvania, and drilled the first well in the famous Mannington field on the Pritchard heirs'

NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS.

Vast Area of Arid Lands.

The Newlands Irrigation bill was re-corted to the House by Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, for the Irrigation mmittee.

The report says that the territory af-ected by the bill is nearly one-half the trea of the United States and that in he 16 arid land States there are over 5,000,000 acres, or more than one-sixth the area of the country of public land ubject to entry. Of this vast tract only 0,000,000 acres will produce crops with out irrigation, showing the wide extent of the arid districts.

Mr. Mondell points out that with such vast domain no agency other than the government can deal adequately with the problem of irrigation. He also shows that irrigation long ago passed the ex-perimental stage and that its great ad-vantages have been established in this country and abroad. The bill, he says, proposes no taxation to carry out the project, the entire expense being derived from the sale of public lands in the States to be irrigated.

To Bar Federal Officers.

Senator McLaurin, of Mississipp gave notice of an amendment he will of fer to the Ship Subsidy bill intended to prevent the high officials of the United States government from receiving any benefit from the enactment of the pro-

posed law. amendment requires, that the names of all members of firms or of incorporators and stockholders of all corporations, whether owners of subsi-dized ships or contractors to build the same, shall be made public. It then proceds as follows: No Senator or Representative or Pres-

ident of the United States or judge of any court of the United States shall be directly or indirectly interested in any poration having a contract under this act, or directly or indirectly receive any money or thing of value or worth under the provisions of this act, or be directly indirectly interested in any corpora-Tien Tsin (By Cable).-The mission tion or vessel which is a beneficiary un-

Transfer of Reins to Cuba.

Secretary Root has ordered Governor conard Wood, at Havana, to come to his city at his earliest convenience, the purpose of conferring with the Pres-ident and the Secretary of War in regard to the necessary steps to be taken for winding up the affairs of the military government in Cuba and the establish-ment of the Cuban Republic.

It is believed here that the transfer f government can be effected by May 1. The change in the control of the govern ment does not necessarily mean, it is said, that the United States forces will be withdrawn from the island at that time. The date of the actual transfer New York, (Special)—In great agony
Little Elsie Tins, the 16-months-old which will be determined after the pro-

Spanish Treaties.

The new Spanish treaties must wait upon the accession to the throne of the ing Spanish King before they can be ratified, owing to internal political conditions in Spain and the reluctance of the existing government to assume any measure of responsibility pending the ex-piration of the regency and the corona-

tion of the King.

This event will occur some time in May, and, as it is expected that a new cabinet, and a stronger one will be installed, it is hoped that the delay in the treaty negotiations will be very brief.

Dairy Trade Doubled.

a wash of carbonic acid and an internal medicine. Both medicines were in exactly similar bottles, which Mrs. Tins had placed on a table side by side.

Tragedy in West Virginia.

The census preliminary report on butter, cheese and condensed milk, factory products, including urban dairy products, shows the following summary for 1990, with percentages of increase since

Crescent, 25 miles above here on the crease 99 per cent. Capital, \$36,508,015. Kanawha River, George Conway and increase 120 per cent. Capital, \$30,508,015. William Anderson became involved in average number, 12,865, increase 2 per

Roosevelt Will Give Out News. At the last Cabinet meeting President Roosevelt requested the members not to talk to newspaper correspondents to talk to newspaper correspondents about matters under discussion at the semi-weekly meetings. It was thought best for the President himself to make public such matters as he deemed proper Heraster the President to be given out. Hereafter the President will do this.

Manila Wishes Coolle Labor.

Senator Dubois had read to the Senate a memorial from the American Chamber of Commerce of Manila urging that the immigration of Chinese coolies into the Philippine Islands be permitted under restrictions to be imposed by the Philippine Commission

"The Territory of Jefferson."

The House Committee on Territories decided to report the bill giving the Indian Territory a territorial form of government to be known as the Territory of Jefferson, with a Legislature similar to the other Territories, a Governor and delegate in Congress.

Important Ruling on Life Insurance The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that the proceeds of a life insurance policy, payable to a party insured or his legal representative, is a part of decedent's estate. If, however, it is payable to someone else, the proceeds are not to be treated as a part of his estate, but are payable direct to the beneficiaries, named in the policy and

President's Trip South.

Charleston Exposition on the evening of tion, \$40,000 for an Indian exhibit and March 24, arriving in Charleston on the \$200,000 additional for the government

Capital News in General.

Chairman Knapp, of the Interstate commerce Commission, explains that the proceedings to be instituted against Western railroads on account of rate-cutting, will be civil actions in equity to enjoin them from further violations of

The President has signed the Philip-pine Tariff Bill.

Harry C. New, of Indianapolis, de-clined President Roosevelt's offer of the first assistant postmaster generalship. A census bulletin was issued showing

and Secretary Hay.

The delay in the distribution of the first installment of the Chinese indemnity among the powers is due to the refusal of two powers to accept the proposition of the United States for a slight pro rata reduction of claims to be a them within the total which China

BURNED TO DEATH IN TEXAS WRECK

Fifteen Persons Killed by a Southern Pacific Train.

The Train Was Golng at Such a Rate of Speed That the Tender and Engine Landed Seventy-Five Feet From Where They Left the Ralis.- The Cars Behind Filed Up Against the Engine, Causing the Fire.

San Antonio, Tex., (Special).-A roken rail caused a terrible wreck on the Southern Pacific Railroad, near Maxon Station, Southwestern Texas. From the latest accounts received here 15 persons were killed outright and 28 were injured

Conductor Stockwell, who reported the accident, walked seven miles to a telegraph office to warn an approaching train and send the news of the disaster o the superintendent's office. The ill-fated train left San Antonio at

on, two and a half hours late. At the me of the accident it was running at igh speed in order to make up time. The road at the point where the wreck ecurred is in a rough country, the urves being sharp and the grades heavy. It was when rounding a curve that the train left the track on account of a

broken rail. All the passengers were asleep, and the shock that followed was the first intima-tion they had of the danger. The train was going at such speed that the tender and engine landed 75 feet from the place where they left the rails. Several cars behind piled up against the engine, caught fire and were consumed, except

A private car owned by Thomas F. Ryan, of New York city, with his family aboard, was attached to the rear of the train, but it was pulled away before the fire reached it, and no one in it was All the injured were in the coaches

just behind the express and baggage cars. Those in the sleepers were saved with the assistance of the uninjured pas The wrecked train was the Galveston Harrisburg and San Antonio westbound passenger. It consisted of an engine nail car, baggage car, one day coach chair car, three tourist sleepers, one Pull-man sleeper and one private car.

WALLER TO BE TRIED? Court-Martial Reported Ordered for Daring

Virginia Officer. Manila, (By Cable) .- A court-martial has been ordered to try Major Littleton W. T. Waller and Lient. John H. A. Day, of the Marine Corps, on March 17 next, on the charge of executing natives of

the Island of Samar without trial. Report says that one native was tied to a tree and publicly shot in the thigh the next day shot in the arms; the third day, shot in the body and the fourth day killed.

Friends of the two officers are said to Friends of the two officers are said to attribute their alleged actions to loss of mind, due to the privations which they suffered in the Island of Samar.

Washington, (Special)—Acting Secretary Darling, of the Navy Department, received a cable message from Rear-Admiral Rodgers, commanding the Asiatic that the Asiatic that the Asiatic of March 1985. station, saying that the battalion of Ma-rines which made the hazardous murch

across the Island of Samar, arived at Cavite on the 2nd instant and are now quartered in the marine barracks.

No mention is made in the message of court-martial proceedings against Major Waller or Lieutenant Day for alleged brutal treatment of natives during the march, nor is reference made to trouble

of any kind. MOODY TO SUCCEED LONG.

Preparations Being Made by Latter to Retire From Office.

Washington, D. C. (Special.)-Secretary Long, who has just returned to his desk from his visit to Boston, will probdesk from his visit to Hoston, will probably not again leave the Capitol antil he relinquishes his place to Representative William Henry Moody, of Haverhill, Mass., who will almost certainly become Secretary of the Navy about May 1.

Secretary Long has long desired to retire from office, but was unwilling to do so while the Schley case was pending or was in any way subject to appeal. Now

was in any way subject to appeal. Now that this matter is settled, be feels that

he can retire to private life. Representative Moody, who is now serving his fourth term in Congress, is regarded as a great worker and a man of excellent executive and judicial ability.

Must Not Drive Out Chinese. Denver, Col. (Special.)-Governor Orman received the following telegram from Secretary of State John Hay: "The Chinese minister advises me of reported attempts by the Miners' Union Ouray, Col., to drive the Chinese out The Miners' Union is alleged o have declared a boycott against the Chinese, who are said to be peaceable residents. If the facts are as understood and represented by the Chinese minister, the department would be pleased if you would take such measures as you may find appropriate to prevent violence, and to assure the Chinese pro-tection and unrestricted enloyment of treaty rights and privileges."

Government Exhibit at St. Louis.

Washington, (Special).-The House Committee on Industrial Arts and Expositions authorized Chairman Tawney It is probable that President Roose-elt, Mrs. Roosevelt and members of the Cabinet will leave Washington for the Barleston Exposition of the Property of the St. Leave Roosevelt and Property of the Property

Panic Among Factory Girls.

New Orleans, La., (Special) -- A pani occurred among the 300 girls in Hornsheim's tobacco factory, resulting from an alarm of fire several squares away. A strike occurred some time ago in the fac-Dr. Heinrich Muller, one of the European diplomatic representatives of the Orange Free State, told Secretary Hay of the horrors of the concentration camps in South Africa.

The President has signed the Philiptha Cantress, 17 years old, is thought to be fatally hurt.

New York, (Special).-J. P. Morgan has purchased the Garland collection of

oriental porcelains, the finest collection in the world, which has been on exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum of Art here for many years. It was announced that a London dealer had purchased the collection from the Garland estate for \$000,000, and would take it to Europe. Mr. Morgan decided that the collection should remain in America. What he paid is not known, but it is supposed tion at the Metropolitan Museum of Art

GEN. PUNSTON'S WARM TALK. Rather See Agitators Hanged Than Soldiers Kitted-Filipipos Murderers.

New York (Special).-Gen. Frederick Funston was the principal guest at a dinner at the Lotus Club. Discussing the conduct of the war in the Philippines WRECKED TRAIN CATCHES FIRE. he declared there had never been a war in history where the soldiers had shown such humanity as had the American troops in the Philippine Islands. He told of 24 American soldiers who had joined the Filipinos and who were after-

ward captured and executed as traitors and then said: and then said:

"There are many men in the United States who did more with their mouths and minds to aid the insurgents than did these poor men with the Krag-Jorgensen rifles. I would rather see those men hanged for treason than to see one of our soldiers dead on the field of battle."

"All sorts of men get into the army." said General Funston. "There are good, bad and indifferent, but I believe that opper cent, of the American soldiers are a

per cent, of the American soldiers are a brave and humane lot of men. The other 5 per cent. who have been writing letters to newspapers have ornamented the inside of a grog house for a longer time than they have distinguished them-selves in the field." General Funston then mentioned sey-

eral instances of personal bravery on the part of the men in the army which re-sulted in their death, including those of Captain Godfrey and Sergeant O'Brien. He was present when Sergeant O'Brien was shot, and said it was "one of those wild moments that are worth to years of humdrum existence." His listeners

cheered the remarks.
Then General Funston said: "All of those men who have fallen since De-cember, 1000, have been victims of a lot of misinformed and misguided people here in the United States. It is perfectly proper for us to have all sorts of opin-ions as to what we should do with the Philippine Islands, but, for heaven's sake, let us keep them to ourselves until every square inch of that territory recognizes the sovereignty of the United

MAY BE SYSTEMATIC MURDER.

Four Bodies Striped of Valuables Found in n Texas River.

Beaumont, Texas, (Special).-The inding of the body of C. B. Pearson in Neches River, stripped except as to his underclothes and with his head crushed in, has convinced the local police that a systematic plan of robbery and murder is being conducted by unidentified per-

ons in this vicinity. When Pearson was last seen alive he had on a suit of good clothes and carried between \$50 and \$100 in cash. Within three months four bodies, including that Pearson, have been taken from the river, and in every case there were evidences of violent death and robbery, as no valuables were found. In two of the cases the bodies were not identified and were buried by the county.

WOMAN'S HORRIBLE DEATH.

Burned Body Found Hanging in a Cellar. Winsted, Conn. (Special.)-Coroner Higgins is investigating a mysterious death which occurred in Barkhamstead. Neighbors entering the house of Mrs. James M. Howard discovered the body of Mrs. Howard burned to a crisp, hanging over a potato bin in the cellar.

A search failed to reveal a lamp or any other article which would have set fire to her clothing, and the woodwork upon which the body was hanging was not burned. Mrs. Howard's husband was away at work at the supposed time of the

\$8,000,000 For Pittsburg-Pittsburg (Special).-The following are the estimates of the costs of improvements to be made by the United States Steel Corporation in Pittsburg work on which has either started or will be started during the present year: Ar-mor plate mills. \$3,000,000; Bessemer railroad, \$1,000,000; structural mills, Homestead, \$750,000; American Bridge plant, new, \$1,500,000; Neville Island furnace plant, \$1,500,000; other improvements, \$250,000. Total, \$8,000,000.

Bishop J. F. Spalding Dead. Erie, Pa., (Special). - Dr. John Franklin Spalding, Protestant Episcopal Bishop of Colorado, died here of eumonia at the home of his son, Frank S. Spalding. Rev. Frank Spalding is seriously ill with typhoid fever his venerable father was summoned to his bedside a week ago. The Bishop stood the journey well, but later caught a severe cold, which developed into

For Thanks of Congress to Schley. Washington, (Special).-Representative Pearre, of Maryland, introduced a resolution extending the thanks of Congress to Admiral W. S. Schley for his service in the battle off Santiago July 3. 1898. He presented also a joint resolu-tion of the Maryland General Assembly requesting the Senators and Representa-tives in Congress to use their utmost en-

Long Wants More Room. Washington (Special). - Secretary Long will urge Congress to authorize the construction of a new building for the Navy Department, the structure it now shares with the State and War Departments having become too small,

ODDS AND ENDS OF THE NEWS.

The Morason missionaries in Denmark

are even distributing literature within the Danish churches urging young girls to attend the Mormon meetings.

The Philadelphia and Camden Tunnel Company was incorporated in Camden, N. J., with a capital of \$1,500,000.

A big demonstration occurred at Brussels in favor of universal suffrage: A serious collision occurred between the Liberal and the Catholic students.

Under the sugar convention signed at Brussels, Great Britain agrees to refrain from paying bounties on sugar grown in

erown colonies.

Henry Fink has resigned the presidency of the Norfolk and Western Rail-road Company. F. I. Kimball will be successor, fr Broderick, British secretary of war, in introducing the army estimates (£69,310,000) in Parliament, defended

he War Office The First National Bank at Montgom-ery, Ind., was robbed of \$10,000 by burg-

Frank W. Cottle, a bank cashier, killed himself at Springfield, Ill.
W. E. Small & Co., stockbrokers, at Atlanta, suspended.
Emperor William has expressed his delight over the telegram he received from Miss Alice Roosevelt, and his satisfaction and pleasure over the reception given his brother, Prince Henry, in the United States.

Borr prisoners state that General De Wet was shot in the arm during the attenual of the Boers to breek through the

PENNSYLVANIA

BRIEFLY TOLD.

The Latest Happenings Gleaned From All Sources,

MAN KILLED: HIS WIFE TORTURED.

Hisked Robbers Commit Murder and Rausack a House, Taking \$200 Worth of Booty-The Suspects Captured—Borrowed Coin to Sue Her-Feared Consumption; Killed Herself-

Bodles of Mine Victims Recovered.

Pennsylvania Pensions: Jeremiah Spriggs, Johnstown, \$8; Robert B. Mc-Night, Erie, \$6; Daniel B. Mowry, Washington, \$12; John W. Scheonover, Knoxville, \$12; Theodore W. Hillyer, Bloomfield, \$8; Miller Ickes, Newville, \$10; John Walbert, Pittsburg, \$8; James J. McAfoos, Decker Point, \$12; Samuel Robertson, Harshaville, \$10; Mary J. Stowder, Huntingdon, \$8; Barbara Orr, Pittsburg, \$8; Mary Grandan, Conneautville, \$8; Eliza A. Spaulding, Port Allegheny, \$12; William Cheeseman, Girard, \$8; George W. Taylor, Edgecliff, \$8; Robert W. Thompson, Washington, \$12; David Clark, Venetia, \$8; Warren Graham, Northeast, \$8; Orren D. Way, Chandlers Valley, \$14; Alex, O'Donnell, East Waterford, \$10; James Vance, Allegheny, \$12; Elias Powell, Rankin Station, \$8; Mary Erb, Wormleysburg, \$8; Catherine Brant, Latrobe, \$8; Margaret Schugarts, Punxsutawney, \$12.

Three masked burglars broke into the touse of Henry Smith, an aged resident near Saxonburg, a little country town, brutally murdered the old man, tertured his aged wife in a fiendish manner and escaped with \$200 worth of booty, after taving ransacked the place. All day long the suspects were tracked by a posse and in the evening they were caught. Mr. Smith was the father of L. H. Smith and W. A. Smith, prominent Pittsburg business men and members of the L. H. Smith Wooden Ware Company. The burglars crushed his skull with an ax, and to make their work sure sent a bul-let through their victim's head. Mrs. Smith was tortured until she revealed the whereabouts of the money in the house. While torturing the woman the robbers vented their fury by breaking every thing within reach. Mr. Smith was a farmer of wealth and led a retired life. It is supposed the robbers believed that he had a large sum of money in the house which is no and money in the house, which is one and a quarter miles from Saxonburg. The murder occurred about midnight.

Michael Gwatt, who was arrested on complaint of his wife for beating her and trying to get away with a sum of money for which she had sold her propby Alderman Donohue. As he was being led from the squire's office Gwatt cried to his wife, "Won't you give me \$5 to hire a lawyer?" "Sure," she said, and handed him a bill. Now he will enter a counter suit against her.

partment to these corporations: Ger-man-American Savings and Loan Association, Allegheny, capital. \$1,000,000; Eureka Knitting Company, Philadelphia. capital. \$50,000; the Pennsylvania Knit-ting Mills Company, Reading, capital, \$5,000; Majestic Apartment House Com-pany, Philadelphia, capital, \$5,000. Harry McMullen, the 14-year-old son of Charles McMullen, of Lebanon, was found dead in the Philadelphia & Read-

Charters were issued by the State De-

ing Railroad yards. No one saw the ac-cident. The body was found by a car-inspector. Deputy Coroner C. D. Weir-ick decided that death was due to an It is said that when Mayor-elect Vance C. McCormick, of Harrisburg, takes of-fice he will appoint Lieutenant-Colonel Joseph B. Hutchinson, of the Eighth Regiment, National Guard, as his chief

of police. Colonel Hutchinson is a strict disciplinarian. Buildings containing five stories and tenements were destroyed by fire at Shenandoah. Loss, \$20,000. They were owned by Fitzgibbons Brothers, of Ring-

Lawrence Colliery, at Mahanoy Plane, owned and operated by the Shaffer es-tate, of Pottsville, was permanently abandoned. The colliery employed near-ly 500 men and boys and had a monthly pay roll of \$25,000. D. Lloyd Thomas, a young lawyer, who campaigned with the Governor's Troop in Porto Rico during the Spanish-

American war, was thrown from a sleigh

at Mahanoy City, fracturing several ribs

Alice Finnegan, aged 37, a married

woman, living on Duquesne Heights, committed suicide with carbolic acid, because she feared death from consump-

Incendiaries attempted to burn the Armory Hall at Summit Hill, but the fire was put out before much damage was The five bodies of the victims of the firedamp explosion at Catsburg mine were recovered. They were dead when

found by one of the rescuers.

lias given a subscription of \$10,000 for a new railroad Y. M. C. A. building in Scranton and the work of erecting a \$30,000 building will begin at once. A dynamite explosion set fire to the Catsburg mine, Monongahela. The miners were brought out and the air passages closed. The mine is too far from the river to permit of its being flooded.

The Lackawanna Railroad Company

Leon Sisler, who shot and attempted to kill Flossie Hampton because she jilt-ed him and then made an ineffectual attempt at suicide with the same pistol on November 30, pleaded guilty at Norris-town of assault with intent to kill. The blasting of a dangerous ledge overbanging the Philadelphia & Eric Railroad at Ferney caused a big land-slide at that place. All the Western Union and Pennsylvania Railroad wires were broken by the slide, cutting off communication west of Ferney.

John Jiniski, of Scranton, does not be John Jiniski, of Scranton, does not be-lieve in banks, and kept his savings, amounting to \$1,350, sewed in the lipings of his coat. Wednesday night he hung his coat on the back of a chair. When he returned an hour later some one had slit the lining of the coat and taken the money out. He has had Steve Polewisiz arrested for theft.

The Montgomery Square Postoffice has been removed to Montgomeryville, a mile distant.

The sanitary committee of the Allentown City Councils has rejected the proposition to give a free franchise to the United States Sewerage Company. The Rockhill furnaces and coke ovens at Huntington, which have been idle for ten years, are to be started up at once by a new company, to be known as the Rockhill Furnace Company, with a capital of Superces.

Judge Johnson, at Media, appointed Frank I. Taylor, Jarad Darlington and Charles Crawford prison inspectors, and the commissioners appointed J. Lord Righy and J. Herbert Odgen. The latter succeeds Harry D. Pratt. All others were reuppointed.

The Pittsburg Plate Glass Company's