DEATH PENALTY FOR

Cullty of Murder in the First Degree is the Jury's Verdict.

THE FRISONER'S LAWYER WEEPS

Ms Father, Too, Is Deeply Affected-The Local Opinion Considers the Punishment Just-Judge George A. Jones Sentenced Him to Be Hanged on Friday, April 28-Appeal to Be Taken to State Supreme Court.

Elizabeth City, N. C., (Special) .-James E. Wilcox, charged with the murder of Ella Maude Cropsey, was convicted of murder in the first degree by

Judge George A. Jones sentenced him to be hanged by the neck on Friday, April 28, between the hours of 10 and 3 p'elock

The jury filed into the courtroom as the town clock tolled out the nour of 10 P. M. G. F. Derrickson was made spokesman. Henry Jennings, clerk, commanded Wilcox to stand, raise his

right hand and face the jury.
"Gentlemen," said the clerk, in the usual form, "have you agreed upon your

"We have," was the reply of the

"What say you-guilty or not guilty?" "Guilty

"In what degree?"

"So say you all?"
"We do."
This fell like a death knell upon the tars of the prisoner. But he never moved a muscle. A deathly pallor overspread a no emotion was apparent.

In delivering his sentence the Judge said the duty had to be performed.

"No one save yourself," he continued, addressing Wilcox, "knows whether or not you committed the deed. I would not say anything to wound your feel-ings; no, nor the feelings of your father, nor the feelings of the Cropsey father, nor the feelings of the Cropsey family. I hope the jury in coming to a verdict was not influenced by public opinion. The sentence of the Court is that James E. Wilcox be hanged by the that James E. Wilcox be hanged by the strike unless the operators make concessions.

scene that occurred in the courtroom when Lawyer Aydlett was making the last plea for Wilcox's life and when part of the crowd deliberately lett. rie had been informed that it was prearof the crowd deliberately left. He ranged, but he hoped this was not in the If he knew it was he would jail every man, woman and child for contempt who man, woman and child for contempt who

man, woman and child for contempt who took part in it. He paid the people of Pasquotank county a high compliment on their general good behavior.

Ex-Sheriff Wilcox, the father of the prisoner, sat with Lawyer Aydlett near him. They were both affected deeply. Lawyer Aydlett wept while the sentence was being passed.

Supreme Court.

A MONOPOLY OF THE AIR.

Germany Fears England Will Get .It for Marconi Messages.

Berlin, (By Cable).-Professor Slaby. who, with Count Arco, invented the Slaby-Arco system of wireless telegraphy, is advocating international agree-ment to regulate the wireless transmis-Colonel Grimm, the Russian officer sion of messages on the ground that otherwise the greatest good cannot be obtained from such telegraphy. He says that with his backing of Brit-

ish capital Marconi may obtain a mofor aerial transmission, as has nopoly for aerial transmission, as has already been done in the case of ocean telegraphy. In this connection Professor Slaby mentions the refusal of the Marmentions the refusal of the Marconi station at Nantucket to receive wireless dispatches from the Hamburg-American steamer Deutschland.

highest personal regard for Mr. Marconi, whose system of wireless teleg-raphy he believes to equal his own.

COSSACKS SENT TO OPIENT

Russlans Preparing to Meet the Angio-Japanese Move.

St. Petersburg, (By Cable).-In connection with the castward movement of Russian troops it is announced that the ress, with Capt. first section of Cossacks is already in the

Far East and that the second section has been mobilized. The movement has been overdue, is believed to have foundered extensive recently. On the subject of the Franco-Russian

declaration the Novoye Vrema says:
"The Franco-Russian alliance was compelled to restore the balance of power in the Pacific, which was distributed by the Anglo-Iapanese agreement. The policy of a free hand expressed in the declaration is, in accordance with Russia's interests."

BOERS ARE WELL SUPPLIED.

Barghers of Western Transvani Are Full of Fight.

London, (By Cable).-A dispatch to the Times from Kierksdorp, Transvaul proved the eventual cession of the canal Colony, says that the Boers in the Western Transvaal are well supplied with guns and ammunition and have unlimited support and a large amount of stock, that their numbers give them confidence, while the blockhouse system has not yet been extended enough to alarm

What is possible has been done, continues the correspondent, but owing to the insufficiency of troops, the British columns have been too small to cope adequately with the Boer forces, which are all composed of fighting men with-out any intention of surrendering.

Prince flenry's Thanks.

Berlin, (By Cable) -Admiral Prince Henry of Prussia has sent a telegram to Secretary John R. Jackson, as charge d'affaires here, in the absence of Andrew W. White, the American ambassador, in which the Prince says: "I pray you to accept for yourself and the members American embassy my very best thanks for my welcome on my return from the United States. I shall never forget the cordial and splendid hospitality I met with in your country or the kindness shown me by the American people."

Art Show of All Nations.

Vienna (By Cable).-Emperor Francis Joseph opened the International Fine Arts Exhibition. Prominent among the mors is the Paris Society of Ameran Painters, including the works of debcock, Stewart, Weeks, Bridgmann, leEwen and Humphreys. The Vienna McEwen and Humphreys. The Vienna cratics highly compliment the Americans' exhibition and especially refer to the work of Messrs. Hitchcock and Stewart. The Emperor praised the American works and asked to see Mr. Hitchcock, who arranged the exhibit. He expressed regret at hearing that the arrises had gone to Paris.

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THE NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD.

Demestic.

A person known as William C. How-ard, who died at Canandaigua, N. Y., proves to have been a woman. The convention of anthracite mine workers at Shamokin, Pa., favors a strike, but again deferred a final deci-

A subpoena server offended J. P. Morgan by getting into his house by a ruse and summoning him to testify in a rail-

Outlaws attacked the town of Lytton Springs, Texas, but a posse of residents surrounded them in an intrenched osition a few miles distant.

Paderewski's special car had to be turned around on a drawbridge at Dav-enport, Iowa, because he would not sleep with his feet toward the engine.
A switch engine in Indiana, after mad race, caught a freight train and prevented a collision on the Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern. Trial of Major Waller and Lieuten-

ant Day, of the Marine Corps, on the charge of executing Filipinos without trial, was begun by court-martial at Ma-nila, the court having decided that it had jurisdiction.

My Cleveland, when shown a dispatch stating that W. J. Bryan, in the Com-moner, denounces him as a "traitor and ingrate," said he was not at all troubled

The barge Hamilton, from Newport News, is believed to have gone down with Capt. John A. Shoemaker and his

crew of four men.
On the first ballot the jury acquitted
Stewart Fife, who had been on trial in

Savannah, Ga., for the murder of Frank W. Richardson. Belated stormbound passengers from Montana arrived at St. Paul, Minn., after having endured great hardships during the blizzard.

Stanislas La Croix, who murdered his wife and an old man who tried to protect her, was hanged in Hull, Quebec. Harry J. Anderson, a postoffice robber

and cracksman, who is wanted in a dozen cities, was arrested in Pittsburg. ev. Dr. Granville Souther, pastor of Methodist Church in McPherson, Kan., was served with papers notifying him to defend himself at the conference

Rosenberg, who served under both flags in the South African war, was sent to jail in Richmond, Va., for 15 days for stealing a pair of shoes. Filipinos say that the concentration flags in the

camps in Batangas Province are very carefully maintained and the reconcentrados well cared for.

Conrad Kremer, an eccentric and wealthy resident of Winchester, Va.,

died at the residence of his son, near Lebanon Church. Suits were instituted against six com-panies in Chicago, accusing them of vio-lating the Interstate Commerce Law.

Ex-Justice Noah Davis, who presided There is general sympathy for the Wilcox family, but the verdict is considered by most of the people here as just.

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> Emperor William has named a new naval yacht Alice Roosevelt. The French Budget for this year nounts to \$720,000,000.

A Carlist rising is again feared in who was arrested at Warsaw, confesses

high treason. Chinese rebels captured the town of Kan-Chow, in the province of Kwang-Tung.
The Edinburgh Association of Retail

Tobacconists declines to sign the Imperial Tobacco Company's agreement not to sell American goods for a term of years. The Belfast dealers decided to accept the American proposition. Lon-don tobacconists also refused to sign the There was a strange performance in the French Chamber of Deputies. After President

fenders, the deputies, by a new vote, innulled their previous action. Prince Henry has expressed his thanks to the members of the American Em-bassy in Berlin for their welcome to him on his return from the United States.

Lord Francis Hope secured a divorce in London on the ground of the mis-conduct of his wife, May Yole, the act-Putnam B. Strong.

and all on board lost.

M. Delcasse, foreign minister, denied in the French Senate that a proposition for a Franco-German understanding had been made to him. Senator Gotteron contended that M. Delcasse, in his re-Senator Gotteron cent visit to St. Petersburg, gave Great Britain an intuition that France was supporting Russia on the Manchurian question, which caused Great Britain to

John Dillon, Irish nationalist, was sus-pended in the British House of Com-Joseph Chamberlain, ('a d-d liar."

The civil tribunal in Paris, on application of the Panama Canal Company, ap-

Germany, it is stated, would not have oined in the Franco-Russian declaration Enstern Asia even had she been asked to do so. The steamer Elbe arrived at South-

ampton from the Azores with the passen-gers of the disabled Cunarder Etruria. Charges were filed in Pekin against Minister Wu and his brother-in-law, Consul-General Ho Tow, in San Fran-

The political situation in Hayti is be-coming critical. The authorities continue to arrest the agitators.

Financial.

General Chemical Company has de-clared 1½ per cent regular quarterly dividend on preferred mock, payable

The International Coal Company has been incorporated with a capital of \$1,000,000 to do a general coal mining The Texas Cotton Products Company

has been organized at Albany with a cap-ital of \$1,000,000. The object of the com-pany is to grow and clean cotton, manu-facture and refine cottonsced oil, make

The American Locomotive Company has declared a regular quarterly divi-dend of 1½ per cent, on the preferred stock, payable April 21. The Allis Chalmers Company have no-

tified employes that wages will be in-creased 5 per cent, beginning April 1, and working hours per week reduced to

MANILA HAS NEW CASES OF CHOLERA

Rigid Precautions Believed to Have

Transport to Escape Running the Risk of the Pest-The Ship to Sall for San Francisco n Week Ahend of Time-Signel Corps Men Attacked by Moros.

Manila. (By Cable).-There have been four more cases of cholera here. and two more deaths from the plague are reported. The health authorities believe that their rigid precautions have averted an epidemic

As General Chaffee did not want the men of the Third Infantry to run the risk of cholers, as a result of contact with the city that with the city, that regiment has already been taken aboard the United States transport Grant, which will sail for San Francisco one week ahead of her sched-

Five cases of cholera have been re-ported from the provinces.

Gen. George W. Davis, stationed at Zamboanga, Island of Mindanoa, reports

that a detachment of the signal corps, consisting of 17 men, has been attacked by 200 Moros near Paran-Paran, Min-danao. One of the signal corps men was killed. The Moros captured the trans-portation of the detachment, including our pack-mules.

San Francisco, (Special).-Efforts are being made by a number of local capitalists to take advantage of the low railber of colonists to Manila. The projectors of the enterprise hope to get up a rush to the islands that will equal, if not eclipse, the rush to the Northern gold

As soon as the legislation relating to the islands now pending before Congress shall be finally passed a wholesale descent will be made upon the islands. It is the expectation of the promoters that the land laws of the United States thousands of acres now idle will be filled with American farmers and misers.

PEOPLE LIVING ON ACORNS.

Many Have No Food as the Result of Arkansas Famloe.

Kansas City, Mo., (Special) -In an effort to relieve the condition of settlers in the drouth-stricken section of Northern Arkansas, the Live Stock Exchange is raising contributions to buy provisions for the sufferers

A deplorable story of want and destitution was brought from Arkansas by A. L. Doss, of Sharp, one of the five counties in which the suffering is most intense. He saw the Since last April there has not been

a good rain in our section. What little vegetation the sun did not dry up was nipped by the fall frosts. Even peas, Kaffir corn and turnips were a failure.

"The people have no source of income. They have had neither food nor water for their stock, and finally, when re-duced to the extremity where they had no food for themselves, were forced to sell their cattle, horses and mules. Their pain. Present condition can hardly be described. Many families have subsisted for days on acorns alone."

VENEZUELAN REVOLT SPREADS. Castro Pressing Into His Service Every Available Man.

Willemstad, Curação (By Cable) -During the past five days the revolution in Venezuela has broken out almost of bees or the number of farms reporting everywhere. The Government cannot them,

the French Chamber of Deputies After President Gomes, with 1,500 men, the adoption of amnesties to various of against the revolutionists under General feeders. Riera, who is in the dare, in the State of Falcon. Second-Vice-President Ayala, who had pre-viously been sent against Riera, returned to Caracas without defeating the revo-

lutionary general.

It is believed that if the revolutionists win one important battle all Venezuela will rise against the government of President Castro. Castro is recruiting day and night. Every man and boy procurable is being pressed into the service.

Lynamite Biew Up in Burning House.

Houghton, Mich. (Special.)-A terrible explosion of dynamite occurred near Oskar, eight miles north of Houghton, resulting in the death of two men and erious injury to another. The scene of the explosion was in the house of John Boullard. The building caught fire while the family was at church, and when the heat became intense two boxes of dynamite, which were stored away for blowing up stumps, exploded. Jenkala and Kalianen were killed, being struck by flying timbers. They were neighbors of the Boullards and met death while fight-

Physician Killed by a Fall.

Pittsburg, Pa., (Special)-The dead body of Dr. Harry Whitesell, a rising young physician of Sewickley, was found resting on a ledge of rocks along the Ohio river bank, near his home. At first it was thought he had been murdered, but investigation by the coroner showed that he was killed by a fall. His family say he was called to see a patient at 6 o'clock, and it is suposed that in

Florence Burns Free.

New York (Special).-After six court, the agony of being picked to pieces, and having even her emotions dissected by those who feed on criminal cases. Florence Burns was set free. The pretty young Brooklyn girl who pretty young Brooklyn girl who was charged with the murder of Walter Brooks, who was found dying in the Glen Island Hotel the night of St. Val-

Link for Philippine Cable.

The Hague (By Cable) .- The Government of the Netherlands has submitwith Germany providing for a joint subsidy for cables extending to the Dutch colonies in the far East. It is proposed to connect the islands of Menado and Celebes, in the East Indies, with the American Philippine cable, which will be connected with Shanghai. The importance of the agreement lies in the fact that communication will thus be established with Europe via America by cables belonging to different nationalistica.

NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS.

Making Mailed Money Safe.

The bill recently introduced in the Senate by Mr. McMillan, of Michigan, to prevent robbing the mails, provides a Averted an Epidemic.

SENDING COLONISTS TO MANILA

Men of the Third Infantry Hurried Aboard

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Newspaper Publishers' Association.

It provides that all capes money here.

It provides that all paper money here-after issued by the United States of the denomination of \$1, \$2 and \$5, except national bank notes, shall be of the form known as the post check and shall be convertible by the holder thereof into a check to a named payer. These post checks will be exchangeable at any United States money order postoffice for current funds, after which the post-master will cancel them and forward them to a repository designated by the Postmaster-General and shall receive restmaster-teneral and shall receive credit therefor. This paper currency will have appropriate blank spaces in which the holder may write his name and postoffice address of a payee, and wherein the payee may give receipt.

Protest From Gompers. Samuel Gompers, president of the all of which were destroyed by wrecking American Federation of Labor, has sent and burning, except two sleepers. The

as reported to the Senate by the Committee on the Judiciary.

He says that when the bill was first reported February 3 "it was received by all parties in interest as a measure calculated to sight.

ulated to right a wrong too long en-ed." This feeling, however, was rudechanged, he says, by the latest report. He quoted the opinion of an attorney late.

The deposit on the track made by ported "is completely subversive of all the landslide was small, amounting to principles of liberty," and added: "Organized labor seeks no immunity from the law applicable to all other citizens and need to make up lost time, it being 40 minutes late.

The deposit on the track made by the landslide was small, amounting to probably two tons of earth, and in all likelihood would not have derailed the eagine if it had not been at a sharp and people of our country, but must inthat those things which are legal when performed by other citizens ought not to be illegal when performed by members of organized labor, and it was to recover those rights to the members of organized labor that the original bill was drafted."

He concluded by saying that the labor interests would prefer the defeat of the bill as amended to its passage. He asks, however, that the original bill be favorably acted upon.

More Room for President.

President Roosevelt and Representa-tive Mercer, of Nebraska, chairman of the House Committee on Public Build-ings and Grounds, discussed the enlargement of facilities for transacting the White House business.

Heretofore there have been plans for remodeling and enlarging the White House in order to meet present requirements. It appears, however, that Presi-dent Roosevelt is opposed to changing in any material way the arrangement of this historic structure. Under these circum-stances enlarged facilities would have to be provided elsewhere. there was a suggestion of a presidential residence outside of the White House, which would be devoted to official business. But the tendency now is in favor of making the White House a residential establishment for the President, lo-cating the official quarters elsewhere. Senator Fairbanks has proposed that the new Department of Justice have a branch for the executive business. It is under-stood also that Attorney-General Knox has a plan for increasing the executive

Many Farmers Keep Bees.

The Census Bureau issued a complete report showing that for the country as a whole on June 1, 1900, there were 707,-261 farms keeping bees, or substantially one for every eight farms in the nation

These farms reported 4,109,626 swarms or colonies, valued at \$10,180,513, averaging a little less than six swarms to each farm reporting. The twelfth census is

1,293,819,186 Dozens of Eggs.

The agricultural division of the census bureau has completed its tabulation of poultry and eggs on farms and ranges

States and Territories. Of the 5,739.657 farms in the United States, 5,096,252 reported poultry. The total number of fowls three months old and over reported were as follows: Chickens, including guinea fowls, 233,-508,085; turkeys, 6.590,367; geese, 5,676,-863; ducks, 4,807,358. The numbers of 863; ducks, 4,807,358. The numbers of nearly all these classes of pourtry are smaller as reported in 1900 than in 1890,

over were reported.

The eggs produced in 1899, as reported, were 1,293,819,186 dozens. This is materially larger than ten years be-fore, when the eggs reported numbered 819,722,916 dozens. An increase in the number of eggs produced rather than an increase in the number of different kinds

Foreign Sugar Convention.

The State Department has received from United States Minister Townsend at Brussels a translation of the full text of the sugar convention entered into by the governments of Germany, Austria-Hungary, Belgium, Spain, France, Great Britain, Italy, the Netherlands and Swe-

The government of Great Britain is given the right to adhere to the convention in the name of her colonies. The most, at Paris, by Theophilus Williams, date for the ratification of the convention is set for February 1, 1993, and it is understood that the convention shall be in force after September 1, 1993. The be in force after September 2, 1993. The bear of the Chargeon and the contest. Several successful tests of the charges exploded while he was firing blockholes and one bear of the Chargeon and the contest. Several successful tests of the charges exploded while he was firing blockholes and one bear of the charges exploded while he was firing blockholes and one of the charges exploded while he was firing blockholes and one of the charges exploded while he was firing blockholes and one of the charges exploded while he was firing blockholes and one of the charges exploded while he was firing blockholes and one of the charges exploded while he was firing blockholes and one of the charges exploded while he was firing blockholes and one of the charges exploded while he was firing blockholes and one of the charges exploded while he was firing blockholes and one of the charges exploded while he was firing blockholes and one of the charges explored while he was firing blockholes and one of the charges explored while he was firing blockholes and one of the charges explored while he was fired by the charges of the charges explored while he was fired by the charges explored while he was fired by the charges expl walking along the high bank at that be in force after September 1, 1903. The the contest. Several successful tests of of the charges exploded while hie wal the Chicagoan's machine are said to have directly over it, blowing his head entirely

Capital News in General.

The House Committee on Naval Af-

A hearing was given by the House Military Committee on the bill to pay to the widow and children of Gen. Fitz-hugh Porter his pay during his enforced

FAST TRAIN RUNS

INTO LANDSLIDE

Disaster on the Southern Railway, Near Charlottesville, Va.

PORTER AND ONE MAN KILLED

Thirteen Men, the Majority of Whom Were Postal Clerks, Were Injured-The Passengers in the Pullman Cars Were Asleep, and Luckily Escaped Without Serious Injury-The Wrecked Cars Caught Fire.

Charlottesville, Va., (Special).-The

Washington and Southwestern Vesti-

buled Limited" train, due here at 3.37 A. M., was wrecked by a landslide in Coleman's Cut, 15 miles south of Charlottes-The train is one of the finest on the Southern Railway and runs straight through between New Orleans and New

all of which were destroyed by wrecking the Senate a protest against the engine also was wrecked.

Conspiracy," or Anti-Injunction, bill, There were on the train, in addition to the officers, crew and the postal employes, about 150 passengers, not one of shom was seriously hurt, as far as is known. The railroad authorities believe

that they have knowledge of all those who suffered in the wreck. It is said the train was running fast to make up lost time, it being 40 minutes

The engine turned crosswise or the track and the two postal cars and baggage car were driven over it. In these three cars and the engine, all of which were wrecked, occurred the in-

The heap of wreckage took fire at once, the flames spreading to the sleepers. Two sleeping cars were pulled out of danger by a wrecking engine.

Wrecking trains from Charlottesville and Monroe went to the scene of the ac-cident and the road was cleared. A train was made up here and sent to the vreck for the passengers. The injured went on to Washington, except John W. Turner, the colored fireman, who was taken to the University of Virginia Hospital, and Postal Clerk A. L. Holton, who was left at his home at Culpeper. The dead

were brought here The loss of mail was one of the heaviest that has ever occurred in the South. Only about a dozen letters were saved from the fire.

Vienna, Ill., (Special).-At a spelling match given at the schoolhouse at Double Bridges, this county, a desperate

shooting affray occurred. Frank Rushing and John Adams, two young men of the neighborhood, had been paying their respects to the same young woman. She had told Adams that she would have no more to do with him. This so enraged him that he is said to have sworn years are on his him. This so enraged him that he is said to have sworn vengeance on his

At the close of the exercises, as Rushing came out of the schoolhouse door, young Adams walked up behind him and Rushing in the back. Rushing fell off the porch, and Adams shot kim twice after he had fallen, inflicting fatal wounds.

Adams then shot Greeley Jones, the teacher of the district, inflicting a slight wound in the shoulder.

control the country east of Cumana.

Barcelona is still besieged by the revolutionists and Carupano is partially in L765,315 pounds of wax, of an aggregate value of \$6,664,904.

Philadelphia, Pa. (Special.)—Charles G. Sower, president of the Christopher Sower Company, publishers of school books, died here of angina pectoris, aged books, died here of angina pectoris aged books, died here of angina pectoris. Of the States reporting honey Texas 81 years. Mr. Sower was a member of reports the largest quantity, 4,780,204 a famous family of publishers, the first in 16 other provinces the laborers are of whom, Christopher Sower, has the fame of having issued the first Bible to be published in America in the German language. The publishing house is the

oldest in its line in America, having been established in 1783.

An Oil Steamer Burned at Sea. Charleston, S. C. (Special.)-The steamer reported ablaze by the crew of the Oregon Inlet Life-Saving Station, in North Carolina, was identified as the oil steamer Major Barrett, bound from Sabine Pass, Texas, to New York, though her home port was Philadelphia. owing to the fact that in 1890 they re-ported all fowls of whatever age, while in 1900 only those three months old and in 1900 only those three months old and effect has been received here.

Committed Suicide by Fire. Little Rock, Ark. (Special.)-A spe cial to the Gazette from Rogers, Ark. says: Mrs. B. F. Dyer, wife of one of of fowls marks the progress of this Dyer saturated her clothes with kerosene and then set fire to them. A daughter of the woman and a young girl were in the house, but were unable to restrain the woman, who had been men-

tally deranged for some years Getting Ahead of St. Louis.

Chicago, (Special) - A challenge for an airship race in Chicago to be held as preliminary event to the \$200,000 aer-The government of Great Britain is jul steeplechases at the St. Louis world' been made.

Pive Cremated Themselves.

Kosciusko, Miss. (Special.)-Five county convicts in an attempt to burn their way out of prison burned the stock-Cheng (Fengh Chuan?). They hav killed or captured all the mandarins an have leated the town. General Ma at tacked the rebel strongholds, but after a ade house in which they were confined and cremated themselves. Those burned The United States Senate passed the to douth are Robert Burt, Philip Newell. bill to repeal the war taxes and the bil. ames Culberson, Amos Ralford and to for the protection of the President of James Jones, all negroes. The prisoners their headquarters at Fang Cheng, the United States. Glen Island Hotel the night of St. Valentine's day, was discharged from custody by Justice Mayer.

The United States

Were leased to Robert Campben, country contractor, whose farm is situated 16 miles west of this place. All of them at New York.

Buffalo is to have a labor temple. Its miles west of this place. All of them at New York.

Long Journey on Skates.

Menominee, Mich. (Special) - Two denominee fishermen who were ma-coned on Chambers Island have arrived home, making the trip—a distance of nearly 100 miles—on skates around the southern part of the bay on ice, which still clings to the shore. They say there are still 15 more men on the island, who took refuge there when the ice went out.

J. II. Mauley Declines.

Washington, (Special).—Joseph H. Manley, member of the Republican Congressional Committee from Maine, has declined the President's offer of the First Assistant Postmaster-Generalship.

PANAMA CANAL TITLE

Senator Morgan's Report Attacks the French Company Charges of Fraud.

Washington, D. C., (Special) - Scna or Morgan, from the Committee on Isthmian Canals, presented to the Senate the majority and minority reports of that committee on the question of the validity of the title of the new Panama Canal Company and its right to transfer the Panama Canal property to the United

States for \$40,000,000.

The objections of the majority to the title held by that company are based largely on the relations of the canal company to the Governments of France and Colombia, but the committee also discusses at length many other phases of the question. Among these is the rela-tion of the shareholders, who subscribed \$250,000,000 to the old Panama Company, whose interests, the report holds, cannot be lightly regarded. On this point

"The spectacle of the United States The spectacle of the United States Congress authorizing the President, as the agent of our government, to conduct a trade with such a corporation (the new Panama Company) without consulting France as to the claim of independence, the Panama Company asserts will be entirely new in the history of nations, and its concentrates. York. It consisted of six Pullman sleeping cars, one baggage and two mail cars, and its consequences cannot be lightly

of the United States being drawn into disagreeable relations with a large and influential body of the worthy people of France, whose friendship for us has been cherished during the entire life of our republic. Unfortunately the report of the Isthmian Canal Commission reveals the fact that the men who make us this offer are chief among those who defraud-Among these is the serious danger offer are chief among those who defraudthese 600,000 or 800,000 Frenchmen \$250,000,000.

the new company to the old, the majority ay: "If Mr. Eifell and his associates get \$40,000,000 from the American people, it is well that they are shelt, red from the claims of these defrauded and despoiled bondholders and stockholders by the al-leged despotism of French courts. The would never escape justice in American courts and would be compelled to ac-count for every dollar of the money to the bondholders and to the stocks bear-

Speaking further of the obligations of

ing interest before applying any of it to the propfits of their speculation." The minority report, which was pre-pared by Senator Kittredge, upholds the title of the new Panama Company, as will be seen from the following extract

from the opening paragraph:
"The title of the new Panama Company to its concessions and other prop-erty appears from the facts and docu-ments which have been laid before the sub-committee, and is clear and free KILLED AT A SPELLING MATCH.

Young Man Shot His Rival and the School
Teacher.

Vienna, Ill. (Special)—At a spelling

Killed Her Husband.

Washington, Ind. (Special.)-During a quarrel at the supper table, Liberty Kempf, a well-known business man, schoked his wife. The woman managed to get a revolver and fired five shots her husband, one bullet penetrating the brain. He died in a few minutes. The wife told her story to the police, and has not yet been arrested.

Charleston, W. Va. (Special.)-While crossing the Kanawha river, near Mont-

Package Containing \$1,000 Lost.

Farmers on Strike in Italy.

reported to be organizing. Thus far no violence has been reported.

Kalser Names Vacht Alice Roosevelt. Berlin, (By Cable).-Emperor William has named a yacht Alice Roosevelt. The yacht was built for a torpedo hoat, and why she was transformed into yacht is not explained, but it is suppose as on account of the rather too delicate framework, considering the British Gov

ernment's recent experience with tor-pedo boat desiroyers.

Athens Cotton Compress Burned. Athens, Ga., (Special).-Fire destroyed the Rucker cotton compress and 2,100 bales of cotton. The loss is \$155. 000. The insurance was nearly all carried by the Marine Fire Insurance Comane fire originated by a true

nning over a match.

Children in Flames. Lexington, Ky. (Special.)-At o'clock A. M. the local fire departmen was notified that the State School of Re form, six miles from the city, in 287 children are confined, was in flames. The inmates are thought to have gotter out safely. A fire engine was sent from the city. At 1.10 o'clock the boys' building collapsed. The institution was erected at a cost of \$100,000. There are eight buildings.

Labor President's Head Blown Off.

De eated Mn and Loo ed the Town. Hongkong, (By Cable).-General Ma has been defeated by the Kwang-Si rebels, who have taken possession of Fang-

engagement lasting two days was forces to retreat. The rebels then established

ODDS AND ENDS OF THE NEWS.

The Supreme Court of California has decided that the property of ex-Senator Fair, valued at \$20,000,000, must be distributed among the children.

W. G. Besler has been made general manager of the Jersey Central Railron.

Company.

Henry Nye shot and killed his wife at Stephenstown, N. Y. Jealous, was the

Paderewski is writing another opera. The Official Messenger of St. Petersburg published the text of the Russo-French conjoint declaration anem the

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BRIEFLY TOLD. Special Dispatches Boiled Down for

Quick Reading.

PATENTS AND PENSIONS GRANTED.

Stabs Undertakers Horses-Three Offenses of the Klud in Shenandoah in Three Months-Library Gift Rescinded - Opposition to a Carnegie Project in Norristown-\$40,000 for Baptist lostitutions.

Pennsylvania pensions:

Pennsylvania pensions: Edward Murphy, Washington, \$6: Alexander Maxwell, Erie, \$8; Daniel Gross, Painterville, \$12; John Veach, Mench, \$17; Philip Peffer, Strodes Mills, \$12; William Rimert, Howards, \$12; William Rharp, Clum, \$8: Slas Biddle, Edinburg, \$8: Joel Snyder, East Hickory, \$30; Eli Ehrhard, Fleming, \$10; Thos Shuff, Altoona, \$12; William Kline Warren, \$12; George W. Baldwin, Claysville, \$12; James Connor, Greensburg, ville, \$12; James Connor, Greensburg \$12; Emmaline McGarvey, Bolivar, \$8; Annie Schrader, Butler, \$8; Annie E. McKnight, Pittsburg, \$8; Sarah E. Ret tinger, North Freedom, \$8; Margaret McCall, McCandless, \$8; Catherine A Ruff, Wyalusing, \$8.

The Carnegie Library project at Nor-ristown received another setback wher the School Board decided to reconsider action in reference to contributing its action in reference to contributing \$3,000 toward purchasing a building site. At the last meeting of the board it was decided by a vote of 10 to 8 to make up a balance necessary to purchase \$20,000 site for a library. Andrew Carnegie offered \$50,000 providing citizens raised \$20,000 to purchase a site. There is much opposition to the plan and the necessary amount could not be secured. necessary amount could not be secured. The School Board then voted \$3,000, but President Smith announced that the acrequired that a majority of all the di-rectors must vote for the project te make it successful, whereas the number who did vote lacked one of making s majority.

The annual oratorical contest of the Pennsylvania Intercollegiate Oratorical Union was held in the Franklin and Marshall College Chapel, Lancaster, The colleges represented were as followers as followers, John Lentz; Gettysburg, W. Barkley: Muhlenberg, Lawrence H Rupp: Franklin and Marshall, John R Jones: Lehigh, George K. Goodwin t. Lafayette, Frederck Starr Wright; Swarthmore, Miss Ida Wright, First and second prizes, \$25 and \$15, were awarded to F. S. Wright, Lafayette, and Miss Ida Wright, Swarthmore, respectively. ively. The judges were Judge John Stuart, Chambersburg: Dr. S. A. Martin, president of Wilson College, and Prof. Francis B. Brandt, of the Central High School, Philadelphia, Dallas R Krebs of University Krehs, of Ursinus College, presided. The Scranton poor district now has two Boards of Directors, as a result of a dispute over the boundaries of the various subdivisions from which directors are elected. Friday the terms of four members of the present board of six expire and five directors elected in February presented their

existing hoard refused to acknowledge them as directors, whereupon four of the elected men met in another part of the room and organized. Two horses owned by Joseph Nevits-ky, an undertaker and liveryman of Shenandoah, were stabled by some one who broke into the stable. One of the horses died and the other cannot re-

the past three months when horses owned by local undertakers were cut with knives, and in each case the anima The will of Matilda Heydrick, prebated at Norristown, disposes of an estate of \$40,000 to charitable purposes among Baptist institutions. The casestors are Judge Willson F, Sally and Ker A. A. DeLarme, the latter a former patter at Norristown, but now officiating at Paterson, N. J.

Missionary Alliance Day was observed the students of the Reformed Tagological Seminary in connection with a classical conference in Santee Hall, Lancaster. Addresses were delivered by I. W. Appel, Lancaster: Rev. C. E. Schaeffer, Reading; Rev. Rufus W. Miller, Reading; Rev. E. S. Bromer, Lebanon; Rev. Prof. G. W. Richards, Lancaster, and Rev. A. C. Whitmer, Lancaster,

George Westinghouse has presented four cannon to Pittsburg for Schenley and Highland Parks. The cannon were originally made by the Fort Pitt Foundry Company prior to the Civil War, and were in use in many engagements of By the will of Evan Buckman, of Eas-

ton, who leaves an estate of \$75,000, the Easton Home for Friendless Children will receive \$500; the Easton Home for Infirm Women, \$500, and the Easton Hospital, \$1,000. The rest of the estate goes to the family. H. W. Miller, of Lewistown, was struck by a live electric wire while he was on his way home one night recently. At first he was supposed to be uninjured, but he has since become blind and part-

ly paralyzed.
Dr. Martin G. Brumbaugh, late Commissioner of Education for Porto Rico, lectured on conditions in the island before a large audience in Alumni Hall, at Haverford College. Nine young men of Portland, caught by Constable Fox playing poker in a slate factory, were fined \$6 and costs

In Delaware county outside of the city of Chester there were 049 births and 610 deaths during 1901. Radnor leads the list in births with 104 Mrs. Bridget McCarthy, aged 75 years died at the Pottsville Hospital from

The Bradford Hardwood Lumber Company has purchased 28,000 acres of hardwood lumber lands in Michigan. Burglars entered the residence of Mrs. William A. Covington at Norwood and secured a gold watch, two gold chains, five gold rings and \$25.

burns, her cothing having been ignited

Robbers entered the schoolhouse at Mount Pleasant and stole the window curtains and other furnishings. They took their plunder away in a team stolen from Charles E. Zook. of Maytown, which was recovered after having been

Officials of the United Mine Workers maintain a policy of silence concerning the probable outcome of the Shamokin

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One hundred puddle helpers of the East and West works of the American Iron & Steel Manufacturing Company, Lebanon, who were out on a strike for higher wages, agreed to a compromise and returned to work.

Family of A. R. Peacock, a Pittsburg millionaire, left that city for New York, the trip being due, it is said, to the fact that Mr. Peacock received several letters saying that his children would be kidnapped unless he gave up \$25,000.

Thirt's horses were burned to death in a fire which destroyed a stable at Latrobe. The horses were the property of H. S.

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