Keeps Right on Hoarding the Yellow Metal Up.

BAROMETER OF BUSINESS CONDITIONS.

The Fund Now Held is Said to Be the Second Largest of the Kind Ever Contained in Any Government's Treasury at One Time-The Government of Russia Holds the Record of Having Had The Largest.

Washington, D. C. (Special),-Officials of the Treasury Department lay great stress upon the importance of the fact that the gold fund in the Government coffers is of gigantic proportions.

United States Treasurer Ellis H. Roberts says that it indicates a wonderful degree of prosperity throughout the land, and this assertion is repeated on all sides. Department officials say that the gold fund is a barometer of the business conditions; that when it is low business is bad and when high business is good. Therefore they assert that the general condition of the country was

general condition of the country was never better than now.

The gold fund at the close of business Saturday amounted to \$563,142,523. It has been hovering about this figure for months, and on July 29 it reached the highest point in the history of the Government when it was \$500. of the Government, when it was \$500-500,000. The fund, as made up in-cludes \$150,000,000 of gold reserve. \$357,488,080 of gold certificates, \$44-\$27,800 of which are covered into the Treasury, and \$55,054,434 gold coin and

bullion.

The fund held on July 20 is said to be the second largest of the kind ever contained in any Government's treasury at one time. The Government of Russia holds the record of having had the largest gold reserve fund. About three years ago, when that nation returned to the gold-standard system of finance, ahe had in her national purse the sum of \$508.000,000 as a gold reserve fund. This is the largest in the history of na-This is the largest in the history of na-tions. At the present time, however, the does not hold any such sum. The latest figures available from foreign nations concerning their gold reserve funds were obtained last June. It appears that France at that date held the largest amount. The figures in round numbers of the four principal nations are: France\$514,000,000 ize in that State.

TEXAS GUESSING AT LOSSES.

Total Damage From Floods Expected to Reach

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Railways are tied up worse than ever before in the history of the State. The only railroad which has so far estimated its damage is the International and Great Northern. General Passenger Agent Price, of that road, says the actual damage to the International roadbed will reach \$100,000, and that the Youd is now a worse sufferer.

An accurate estimate of the losses, including the damage to railroads, the drowning of live stock, the washing away of bridges, residences and busi-ness houses, in addition to the damage to cotton and other crops, is impossible at present, but it is safe to say that \$1,-,000 is conservative.

PREPARING FOR CORONATION.

ing Sold.

London (By Cable) -- Optimism regarding the coronation is slowly revivical Association Surgeon General Buling under the stimulative effects of the surgeons' bulletins and the confident forecasts of the medical journals.
Whether the King's will is imperious, or his medical advisers consider it nec essary to humor him, there is a deter-mined effort to subject the patient, who is nearly able to make one or two turns on the deck of the yacht, to the fatigue and excitement of the coronation cere monial. Motives of state prevail, although there is general agreement among medical men that an ordinary patient would not be fit for so hazard-

most serious operation.

The business of selling seats is looking up now that the programmes of the rica. procession and the ritual are reappearing, and the decorators here and there outhing up the faded glories of the June preparation.

ous an experiment a few weeks after

ADMITTED TAKING \$120,000.

Coe Used Money of one Concern to Operate Another.

Boston (Special.)-Henry F. Coe, extreasurer of the Bowker Fertilizer Company and the Dudley Hostery Mills, of Newton, who was arrested for the alleged embezzlement of \$120,000, was held for the grand jury in \$10,000 bail.

which was furnished.
Specifically he was accused of the larceny of a note for \$35,000 payable on demand from the Bowker Company on June 3. Mr. Coe waived examination. In a statement issued by the Bowker Company the history of the affair is ren, together with a confession sign-Coe, in which he said that he had used the notes of the Bowker Com-Dudley Hosiery Mills, at New London, for 10 years, and that he had used \$120-Experts, it is said, have found the amount stated to be exactly correct.

Alabama is Badly Parched.

Montgomery, Ala. (Special).-Reports received here indicate a serious condition of drouth in Alabama, Less rain has fallen in the State during the 850,000. period since 1839. Crops in many sec-tions have been almost destroyed. In the middle western counties, which are large producers of cotton, the ground has not been thoroughly wet since April. Corn has been damaged beyond recovery, and the prospect is that the food crops will give a light yield.

Lightning's Strange Feat.

Troy. III. (Special).-During a se Troy, Ill. (Special).—During a sesere electrical storm here a cross-shaped finaure was formed in the ground near
the school building, one arm of which
is so feet long and about six inches
side and the other so feet long and six
seches wide. Where the arms of the
cases converge there is a hole two feet
in diameter, and a liste 150 feet long
schilded with lead did not touch the
fection. The theory is advanced that a
feet of lightning entered the ground,
just those in the vicinity askert that no
tangental bolt of lightning was noticed

SUMMARY OF THE LATEST NEWS.

The investigation into the Craven ynching has brought out the names of several men alleged to be implicated. Negroes testified freely before the cor-

J. C. McCaslin shot and killed Lottie Russell, seriously wounded F. Max Peters, and then committed suicide at he Salt Palace Grounds, at Salt Lake

Mrs. John Edwards, wife of the fore man in charge of double-tracking work on the New York Central near Wil-liamsport, held a gang of murinous Italians at bay.

Congressman Pugsley has gone abroad to investigate the methods of European bankets. He is a member of the Bankets ing and Currency Committee of the House.

Whitelaw Reid, United States ambas sador to the coronation of King Ed-ward, has returned to this country. George Gould has purchased the ma-

jority of the stock of the Union Rail-way Company of Memphis. Light earthquake shocks are still be-

ing felt in Los Alamos Valley. All the property of the Norfolk Heat, Light and Power Company, together with all franchises, power and privileges granted to that company by the Legis-lature of Virginia and the Councils of Norfolk, passed into the hands of the Norflok, Portsmouth and Newport

News Company. The Imperial Tobacco Company, of Great Britain and Ireland, will enlarge heir operations in Richmond, Va., and immediately begin the construction of a mammoth plant. The company has recently completed the purchase of a ite upon which the factory will be built. Elizabeth Barstow Stoddard, the wife

of Richard Henry Stoddard, the writer and poet, died at her home, in New York, at the age of 80. Mrs. Stoddard was herself a writer of some promi-Willard C. Von Derlip, a Boston law-

yer, has been arrested on the clarge of embezzlement. He had charge of several estates. He says his shortage is about \$100,000.

On Wolfe Creek, W. Va., Joseph Hardesty was killed and his four sons were injured by the explosion of the boiler in his saw mill.

Governor Cummins, of Iowa, will investigate the right of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway to reorgan-

362.785,000 A California geologist says that the control of the co A California geologist says that the

> Flora Lucier, 17 years old, cloped com White Valley, Mass., with Harry Moore, a Barre farmer. Fifteen hundred boilermakers and

Charles Craven, the slayer of Wm. H. Wilson, a farmer, who lived near Hern-don, Va., and who has been pursued by ever 100 people and by bloodh was captured on a farm near Ashburn, Va. He was asleep in a hayrick and was seized by three of his pursuers—Ernest Norman, John Higgins and Henry Bryant—before he had time to offer resistance. He was lynched at Leesburg.

Leesburg.
Miss Susie Costerbader, who was recently assaulted by John Lomax in the woods near her home at Potomac Mills, Westmoreland county Va., died from burns received while kindling a fire.

The New York Mail and Express is

Decorators at Work in London and Sents Be. ger of Southern Railroads is projected.

Before a meeting of the British Medg ammunition to the front.

ange Free State, arrived at Southampbear the journey to London.

fired at President Loubet, was found to

pean armaments.

Canada is 10 have a steamship service

B. Pioda, Swiss minister to the tures, Unned States, was appointed minister to Italy. Dr. C. D. Boureart, who was appointed to succeed Mr. Pioda at Washington, declined the appointment. A severe engagement was reported tween the revolutionary forces under General Herrera and the government troops at Ague Dulce.

committed for court on the charge of President Loubet signed the decree

establishments in Paris. The strong tide defeated the attempt

of Holbein to swim across the English The will of Lord Pauncefote, late ambassador, was probated in London. Upon her arrival in London May Yohe declared Captain Strong's statement to the effect that she got the money raised on the pawned jewelry.

Flihu Root, United States Secretary of War, was greeted upon his arrival at Havre by General Pistor as the official representative of the French Minister

The New York Cotton Exchange will close August 9, coronation day. Baltimore's exports for the fiscal year 1902 were \$80,500,000, a decrease of \$25.

Standard Oil denies that it is to become a greater monopoly than it is at

present.
St. Paul's net earnings for June in-creased \$29,168 and Union Pacific's increased \$731. Union Traction books will close on August 27 for the annual meeting of

The Beel Trust has reached into New England and captured Sturtevant & Holly's market, Boston.

"When the troops appear the strike ends, as a rule," says President Mitchell

People's Gas directors have declared a regular quarterly dividend of 1 1-2 per cent., payable August 25.

A seat on the New York Stock Exchange sold for \$75.000, which is \$1500 more than the last previous sale.

Rapid Transit reached 13 1-8 a share.

On the New York basis that is equivalent to a quotation of 260, as only \$5 is paid.

THEY WILL CONSIDER THE BOER CAUSE

Significance of the Secret Conference at the Hague.

PRESIDENT STEYN IS QUITE ILL.

The Leaders of the Burghers Will Pledge Themselves to Renew the War II Great Britain Commits a Serious Breach of the Terms of Peace-To Flood South Africa With Subsidized British Emigrants.

The Hague (By Cable) .- As soon as Generals Botha, De Wet and Delarey reach The Hague they will assemble in secret conference all the burgher leaders, both statesmen and generals, to consider whether or not the Boer cause is defiwhether or not the Boer cause is defi-nitely lost. The leaders, it is said, are provisions of the laws regulating immicertain to pledge themselves to renew the war as soon as the British are guilty of any serious breach of the terms of

It is considered here that the fact that a British transport has just left New-Castle-on-Tyne with 200 mechanics and artisans bound for Johannesburg is evidence of Englands' intention to flood outh Africa with subsidized British nigrants. The men in question were

nding money.
London (By Cable).—Former President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, arrived at Southampton with his family on the steamship Carisbrook Castle. He was met by Messrs. Fischer, Wessels and Des Bruyn, the former Boer delegates. He will go to The Hague, whre former President Kruger will go from Utrecht to meet him.

Mr. Steyn was too ill to bear the jour-ney to London, although a special sa-loon carriage had been attached to the regular boat train for him. His phyregular local train for him. He pay-sician would not allow him to be inter-viewed by the press, but Mr. Steyn sent word that he wished to express his thanks for the courtesies extended to him by the British authorities since the surrender and for the care given him during the voyage. The former president was removed on a stretcher to the Dutch steamer Batavier III., which was moored close to the Carisbrook Castle. He will be landed at the Hook of Holland and convention of the stretcher to the Carisbrook Castle. the cottage reserved for him near The

HARRY TRACEY BOBS UP AGAIN. Outlaw Continues to be Fed at the Point of His

Wenpon, Ellensburg, Wash. (Special).-Sam- the Civil War.

uel Evans, who lives 15 miles north of this place, reports that last Monday a man came to his cabin and said he was Tracey. He had a Winchester and two pistols

and compelled Evans to furnish him with food. The stranger showed Evans a wound in the back of his head and said he was shot by a member of a posse on the West Side. A Wenatcher

special says: "Harry Tracey was an unwelcome guest at the ranch of W. A. Sanders and S. J. McEldowney, six miles down the Columbia river. Tracey came out and S. J. McEldowney, six miles down the Columbia river. Tracey came out of the Cascades riding one horse, pack-ing another and leading a third in re-serve. He carried a Winchester and two revolvers. He took dinner and supper at the ranch, having the men well covered with his rifle. Toward evening he forced McEldowney to bring him two fresh horses and turn loose his jaded animals. He went south."

MANEUVERS MAY COST MILLIONS. Many Ships of the Navy to Gather in the Carribean.

Washington, D. C. (Special).-Probably more than a million dollars will tabular form the results of the first be spent by the navy for the maneuvers complete year's record of the probation in the Caribbean sea next winter. This system for the treatment of naval prisg ammunition to the front.

Former President Steyn, of the Ortoge Free State, arrived at Southampon with his family. He was too ill to ford, approved by Rear Admiral Bradford, approved by Rear Admiral Taylor, Acting Secretary of the Navy, and Rear The story published by La Presse in Admiral Bowles was ordered to con-

Paris, to the effect that a shot had been struct them. This is but one item. Coal and am-Berlin is to secure the Emperor's assent to his project for a reduction of European armaments. Canada is to have a steamship service ed in order that they may participate, between one of its ports and South Af- and the rushing of work will necesarily involve extraordinary expendi-

OVER 100 PERISHED.

Sixty-Seven Bodies Taken from Mine in New South Wales.

Sydney, N. S. W. (By Cable).-Res-Col Arthur Lynch, the Nationalist Mount Kembla colliery at Wollangong, of the plan of Secretary Root, which was member of the British Parliament, was where it is feared 127 miners lost their presented to the Vatican by Governor ives by an explosion of gas. Thus far 67 bodies have been recovered and 149 men and boys have been taken out alive. According to the estimate of the colliery officials, there are still 100 men entombed, and, hoping almost against hope, the band of rescuers, among them many of those who were in the mine when the explosion occurred, but who were able to get out unhart, are making beroic efforts to get at those still held captive before they succumb to the

Death of Hon. John T. Lyman.

Exeter N. H. (Special).—Hon. John
The Acting Postmaster General*
D. Lyman, known throughout the awarded to the Bureau of Engraving

Harlan, Iowa (Special) .- While exern railroad at this place graders disrovered the remains of a mastodon. The ordinary bones soon crumbled, The ordinary bones soon crumbled, but parts of the large tusks remain in a splendid state of preservation. The largest single piece is more than 5 feet long, 20 inches in circumference and 76 pounds in weight. The hones were found 25 feet beneath the surface. Local scientists say the tusks could not have been less than 10 feet long.

Camden, Ark. (Special) .- After twice escaping from the hands of the law, acording to word received here. Lee Newton, a negro, has been lynched in Columbia county. Newton was caught a month ago in the room of two young ladies belonging to a prominent Co-lumbia county family. Their screams brought assistance, but by a desperate effort the negro escaped. He was cap-tured later and again escaped. Last week the police with the aid of blood-hounds captured him.

LIVE NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS.

Same Treatment as Emigrants.

Commissioner General Sargent, of the Immigration Bureau, with the approval of Secretary Shaw, has issued a circular prohibiting the coming to the United States of residents and natives of Porto Rico and the Philippines, except after the same examination as is enforced against other alien immigrants.

The circular is as follows: To Collectors of Customs, Immigrant Inspectors, Chinese Inspectors, and Other Officers Charged with the Ad-ministration of the Immigration and Chinese Exclusion Laws:
"Under the provisions of the Acts of

Congress approved on April 12, 1900, and July 1, 1902, the people of the Island of Porto Rico and of the Philippine Islands have been declared to be citizens of those islands, respectively, and as such entitled to the protection of the United States.

gration, including those which prescribe payment of head tax, apply to the residents and natives of Porto Rico and the Philippine Islands, and moreover, that the provisions of the laws relating to the exclusion of Chinese apply to all of such persons as are of the Chinese race. The citizens and residents of the said islands, therefore, should be admitted to the United States upon the same conditions and subject to the same ovided with free transportation and examinations as are enforced against people from countries over which the London (By Cable).—Former Presi- United States claims no right of sove-

Expenditures More than Receipts.

The monthly comparative statement of the government receipts and expen-ditures shows that for the month of July, 1902, the receipts amounted to \$49,305,001, and the expeditures \$50,-813,567, leaving a deficit for the month of \$7,507,876. The receipts from the several sources of revenue are given as ollows:

Customs, \$24,430,743, an increase as ompared with July, 1901, of \$3,166,780. Internal revenue, \$21,618,124, a decrease of \$6,720,066.

Miscellaneous, \$3,256.823, increase, \$538.637. The decrease in the receipts from internal revenue is due to the revenue reduction act, passed at the last session of Congress, which went in-

partment for the contract for supplying the postage stamps for the four years beginning October 1 next. It had been stated that the price ask-

ed by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing was exorbitant and that the work would have to go to a private concern. The bureau's bid, however, proved the lowest. It is as follows:

Five cents per 1000 of ordinary postage stamps; 7 cents per 1000 for post-age due stamps; 15 cents per 1000 for special delivery stamps; \$2.82 per 1000 books containing 12 stamps each; \$3.45 per 1000 books containing 24 stamps each, and \$4.46 per 1000 books contain-

ing 48 stamps each.

The only other bidder was the American Bank Note and Engraving Company, of New York, whose bid is estimated to be about \$15,000 higher for the four years' supply than the bureau's bid.

Naval Prisoners' Probation.

Judge-Advocate-General Samuel C.

The results are gratifying to the offiof the department, for they indicate that almost one man out of two entenced by a court-martial for naval 32 sailors were so placed on probation. Of the total 17 med were unconditional ly restored to good standing in the ser-vice. Only four deserted, while five vice. Only four deserted, while five torrent of rain which fell. In Lisbon failed of reform and were required to hardly a building escaped some damserve out their sentences. One was age. Stock is scattered and thousands given an honorable discharge, and three | of chickens and birds were killed. were discharged as undesirable, leaving 20 men on probation at the beginning o the present fiscal year.

No Confirmation of Friars Removal.

The War Department has received no nformation to confirm the report from Rome that the Spanish friars in Manila cuing parties are hard at work at the such a course would be in furtherance Tait. It is also stated that if such action was taken it would greatly simplify the negotiations which will be renewed at Manila between the Church authorities and the Philippine Govern-

Kaiser Will Supply Herse 7. The German Government has notified the State Department that it will not be officers who visit the fall meneuvers t bring their horses, as the Emperor will

Notes of Interest.

supply fully equipped mounts.

country as a writer upon agricultural and Printing the contract for printing subjects, died here, aged 79 years. postage stamps and stamp books,

The funeral of John W. Ross, one of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, and for some years president ravating on the line of the Great West- of that board, was held at the Church of the Covenant. The Rev. Albert Par-ker Fitch officiated. The service was brief and the remains subsequently-laid in state at the church for several hours.

The Great Northern Railroad Com pany has placed at the disposal of the Agricultural Department a railroad train for the purpose of transporting representatives of the department and road machinery to be used in practical object lessons in road building.

The War Department will detail instructors for outside schools as soo the new War College shall have been completed.

Germany's exports to the United States during the last fiscal year increased \$2.750,000.

The Navy Department issued an order for the trial by court-martial of Assistant Paymaster Penrose, who is charged with having rendered false and fraudu-A comparative statement of the goverament receipts and expenditures for the month of July shows a deficit for the

month of \$7.507.876.

SOLDIERS STONED AT SHENANDOAH

Three Different Attacks are Made Upon the Sentries.

SEVERE MEASURES WILL BE USED.

Entire Camp Aroused-One Prisoner. Taken, the Others of the Attacking Party Escaping to the Underbrush-The Guards are now Fully Supplied With Ball Cart-

Shenandoah, Pa. (Special).-The entire Eighth Regiment was called to arms Saturday night as a result of three attacks made by a band of men in ambush, who threw stones at the troops now in camp on the plateau outside the These attacks are becoming so fre-

has decided to adopt stern measures to end them. Now a double guard, sup-plied with ball cartridges, surrounds the structed that if the stone-throwing is repeated they must shoot to kill and investigate afterward. One of the attacking party, a Lithuanian named William Stopinitz, is under arrest and is confined in the guard test. confined in the guard tent. It is not known how many were in the crowd, but the officers of the Eighth believe the number to have been more than a dozen. The first attack, according to Col. Theodore F. Hoffman, was made at 10.45 o'clock. Private Payne, of Com-10.45 o clock. Private Payne, of Company I, on sentry duty, saw a party of men on the Mahanoy City road, which separates the camp of the Eighth Regiment from that of the Twelfth. He commanded the men to halt and called the corporal of the guard, but before the latter could respond a shower of stores and rocks were thrown at the stones and rocks were thrown at the

sentry, One rock struck him on the chest, knocking him down and causing his gun to fall from his hands. He immediately arose and fired several shots in the air. As he did so the men ran down the road and were pursued by several strangers. The outpost which had been stationed some distance from the camp heard the shot and one of the pickets

last session of Congress, which went into operation July 1, 1902.

The expenditures on account of the War Department show an increase of \$1,500,000, and an increase on account of the Navy Department of \$1,375,000.

An unusual expenditure during July was about \$3,250,000 paid to several of the States, under a ruling by the Comptroller of the Treasury, for expenses connected with raising troops during the Civil War.

Outside Bidder is Higher.

The Government will probably print its own postage stamps, as the result of the bids opened at the Postoffice Department for the contract for supplying direction from where the outpost was

CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER.

Conductor and Engineer Blamed for a Fatal Wreck.

Rochester, N. Y. (Special).-Conductor Frank De La Vergne and Engineer Connolly, whose alleged negligence is said to have resulted in the dis-astrous wreck on the Lehigh Valley spects. The disturbance had no gen

slaughter.

St. Paul, Minn. (Special) .- A Lisbon, terrific shock ever experienced in this centre of a fearful hurr-cane and destructive hailstorm. Crops within an area extending 10 or more miles north-west to many miles south are totally dethat there were 20 men on probation Is swept off. Barns and outhouses in all directions were wrecked and dwalled north side of buildings were shattered by hail and the houses flooded by the

Feasted on Rattlesnakes. Hot Springs "(Special) .- Capt. A. L. Debney, a civil engineer, gave a banquet to his friends recently, at which the principal delicacy was rattlesnake. Captain Dabney a few days before the banquet caught a monster rattlesnake, and he fattened it for the feast. snake measured nearly 8 feet in length, was 20 inches in circumference and had 27 rattles. It made a desperate fight when captured, so Captain Dabney dub-bed it "Joe Bailey." His snakeship was fed on rabbits, chickens and birds, and was in prime condition when killed. He was served up fried, broiled and stewed, and was pronounced delicious, the flavor being particularly delicate, and the meat

white and of fine grain.

Child Prophesies Great War. Washington, D. C. (Special),-According to a letter received by S. Berlin a merchant of this city, a 3-month-old child in Warsaw, Russia, has re-cently made a startling prophecy. The prophecy is to the effect that in one year's time there will be a great war be-tween the world powers, and in three

years the millenium Finances of Cuba.

Havana (Special).-At a meeting of the Cuban cabinet Garcia Montes, Secretary of Finance, presented the financial statement for the month of July. This shows that during the month the customs receipts of the island amounted to \$1,208,648; postal receipts, \$30,316; money orders, \$53,000; internal revenue, \$72.865; sundries, \$17.375; repayments. \$170.431; total, \$1.552.635. The balance balance is \$1,061,156.

Two Years Beyond Century.

Easton, Conn. (Special) .-- Mrs. Deborah Silliman, the oldest woman in Consecticut, celebrated the completion of the first half of her one hundred and third year of her life. She was assisted in the observance by 30 children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who gathered at the home of her son, Malett Silliman. She is a native of Easton and is the widow of Marcus Silliman. She is in excellent health and has only one physical weakness. That rests in the vocal chords and sometimes it is difficult for her to speak

TWO HUNDRED FALL IN BATTLE. lot Fight With Insurgents at Agun Duice

Troops from Panama. Panama, Colombia (By Cable) .- A evere engagement was fought between the revolutionary forces under General Herrera and government troops at

Agua Dulce. Two hundred of the revolutionists are said to have been killed or wounded Wednesday. The Government had then suffered 10 casualties.

Ammunition is being sent from here

to the fighting government troops.

The peace commissioners who left here July 20 on the British steamer Cana to visit the revolutionary General Herrera, near Agua Duice, re urned to Panama, stating, that they were unable to fulfill their mission because of the

At 5 a. m. Thursday the best battal-ions of the revolutionary forces attacked the government intrenchments with fierce courage. The slaughter of the revolutionists is said to have been exquent that Brig.-Gen. J. P. S. Gobin cessive and barbarous. That same afternoon the white flag was raised in their camp and they asked for an during which they could bury their dead. This was granted. The losses of the rebels up to Wednesday. July 30, were reported at over 200, while the government forces, according to their statement, had 8 men killed and 11 wounded.

General Moreno, one of the peace commissioners, says the intrenchments at Agua Dulce are masterpieces of mili-

tary art. *
General Salazar, Governor of Panama, has received a letter from the gov-ernment General Morales Berti saying he is very enthusiastic as to the outcome and that he hoped to win a battle which will decide the fate of the isthmus. General Salazar, in his turn, is doing every-thing in his power to help General

EARTHQUAKE CAUSES PANIC.

The Village of Los Alamos, Cal., Completely Ruined. San Luis Obispo, Cal. (Special) .- A

strip of country 15 miles long by 4 miles wide, rent with gaping fissures and dotted with hills and knolls that magic, a village in ruins and hundreds of persons fleeing for their lives, are the results of the seismic disturbance in the Valley of Los Alamos, in the northern part of Santa Barbara county. During the last four days that section

of the country has been shaken series of earthquakes that is said to be without precedent in the history of the Pacific Coast, and the continuance of the disturbances and the increasing so verity of the shocks have so terrorized the inhabitants that they are leaving for other parts as rapidly as possible, and even now the village is almost entirely deserted.

The most severe shock of the entire series occurred at 11.30 o'clock a m. Hills were shaken and twisted to their foundations, the valleys trem-bled and rolled almost like the surface of the ocean. Great fissures were run deep in the earth, hills and knolls appeared in level valleys, springs of water appeared in places that had been dry, and the general topography of the val-Railroad on Sunday, July 20, have been eral direction, but was what is known arrested on warrants issued by Coroner as a "twister," It was preceded by a Kleindinst, charging them with man-rumbling like that of distant thunder. which increased until the earth began Both men have been released on \$2000 to rise and twist and the hills began to

bail. Conductor De La Vergne lies at tremble.
his home in a serious condition. He has With the first warning sound of the his home in a serious condition. He has been suffering with mental collapse ever since the wreck, and the physician in attendance lears serious consequences for his patient because of the verdict in the case charging him with being responsible for the wreck.

Hurricane Carried Away the Grass.

St. Paul Minn (Special) A Lichum terrifice shock ever experienced in this terrific shock ever experienced in this

Washington, D. C. (Special).-Miss Alice Hay will be wedded to James W. Wadsworth, Jr., son of Representative Wadsworth of New York, on September 30, at the Falls, Newbury, N the country home of Secretary and Mrs Hay. Only immediate relatives and friends will be present. After a short wedding trin, Mr. and Mrs. Wadsworth will go to Genesseo, N. Y., for the rest

of the autumn.

Woman Shoots Two Men. Salinas, Cal. (Special) -Warren Johnson and Joseph S. Bordeges, prominent young men of Salinas, were sho and fatally wounded here by a woman The woman then attempted to comi suicide, but was prevented and placed under arrest. Johnson received two-bullets in the abdomen and Bordeges was shot in the back, the ball piercing the right lung. The shooting is lieved to have followed a quarrel,

Gravediggers on a Strike. Chicago (Special) .- The 25 gravedigdiggers employed at the Concordia Cemetery are on strike for higher wages, and have succeeded in preventing other laborers from taking their places. Three funeral processions which arrived at the cemetery gates during the day were turned back because of the strike. It is stated that similar strikes will be inaugurated at two other ceme-

teries.

Want the President as Judge. Denver, Col. (Special).—The Denve. Horse Show Association has sent President Roosevelt an invitation to attend judge of the rough riding contest, while will take place on the opening day, Sep-

tember 1. Found Dead of Poisoning.

Des Moines, Iowa (Special).-Albert Potter, of Waverly, a member of the Iowa Legislature, died at Mercy Hospital from the effects of poison. It is not known whether he administered the dose himself or was murdered. He was found in his room in the Kirkwood Hotel and was taken to the hospital. Fe years he was at the head of a mutual infrom the month of June amounted to surance organization, and for some time \$745,371. Payments for the month of it is alleged there has been a dispute sted to \$1,236,850, and the over the accounts which Potter had in

Steel Company Buys Confficids.

New Wilmington, Pa. (Special).-The Sharon Coal and Limestone Company, an allied interest of the Sharon Steel Company, has closed the purchase of the mineral rights under 51 farms around Leesburg, Mercer county, and Plain Grove, Lawrence county. One million dollars is involved in the deal. Several thousand acres are embraced in the deal, part of it by lease and part by purchase, it is expected they will furnish the steel company with fuel for many years to come.

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News Happenings of Interest Gathered From All Sources.

Patents granted: James A. Arnold, Allegheny, apparatus for forming glass articles; George T. Ashton and J. F. Painter, Pittsburg, adjustable window shade and curtain pole holder; Robert L. Barnhart, Charleroy, motor; Richard Buers, Johnstown, ice cream can; Earnest Baumgartner, Fairview, device for proporting and controlling combustion; Thomas G. Bladen, Vandergrift, tack puller: John F. Cleary, Hoytdale, me-tallic tie and rati joint; William Drendtallic tie and rail joint; William Drend-witz, Fireburg, heating stove; Charles R. Edwards, Pittsburg, rail joint; Jacob C. Fair, West Monterey, railway rail joint; David Ferguson, Pittsburg, lock-ing device for bolts; William Floss, Meadow Lands, rail joint; Wm. F. For-aker, Meadville, oval cutting machine; Joho B. Frederick, New Kensington, match box; Reinhold Herman, Crafton, signal mechanism; Edwin M. Herr, Pittsburg, brake shoe adjuster; Paul S. Knaup and I. Steinberg, McKeesport Knapp and J. Steinberg, McKeesport,

vault cover. Pensions granted: John Cain, Home-Pensions granted: John Cackesport, stead \$6; James Knapton, McKeesport, \$10; Wm. Davis, Mercersburg, \$12; Wm. Morris, Hughesville, \$12; Wm. Wm. Morris, Hughesville, \$12: Wm. Line, Bediord, \$8: Robert Coleman, Johnstown, \$17; Charles E. Pettis, Gar-Johnstown, \$17; Charles E. Pettis, Garland, \$40; David E. Graffins, Martinsburg, \$17; Gate E. Davidson, Sunville, \$8; Elizabeth Baker, McKees Gan, \$8; John Davis, Duncanville, \$12; Henry Lamp, Mill Creek, \$12; David Scott, West Middleton, \$10; J. Milton Ray, Allegheny, \$8; Jacob McCall, Oscoola Mills, \$12; James L. Dunn, Titusville, \$12; Mary A. Herbstritt, St. Marys, \$8; Nancy D. French, Westfield, 12; Du-Bois Corton, Ridgeway, \$10.

A charter has been received for the newly projected electric railway from Souderton to the Trooper. This will pass through Harleysville, Skippack, Center Point and Fairview, a distance of about 17 miles, and will connect the Lehigh Valley and the Schuylkill Valley system.

The report of State Treasurer Harris for the month of July shows a balance in the general fund of the State Treas-ury of \$12,264,409,69. This money is carried on deposit in 84 banks and trust companies and the State receives 2 per cent, on daily balances. Beginning Sep-tember 1, 30 per cent, of the State de-posits will be withdrawn from these in-stitutions to pay the school districts, the appropriation for which became due

Jacob Schlosser, 23 years of age, cf Ho-kendauqua, shot himself through the lung. His fiancee, who lives in New York, recently came to Hokendauqua on a visit. Schlosser pressed his suit, but the girl insisted on the wedding being postponed until spring. When she left for the railway station Schlos-ser shot himself. His recovery is doubt-During a storm at Pittston lightning struck No. 2 slope of the Eric Company. The bo't entered the mine and exploded a large quantity of gas which had formed at the entrance. The explosion wrecked the entrance and hurled

bricks right and left. One brick struck Eugene Hodgdon on the head, fracturng his skull, and he died later. Select Council, of Easton, adopted the ordinance to issue bonds to purchase the property of the late Chief Justice Henry Green for a municipal building and public park. The ordinance will be signed by Mayor Lehr, and one of the

finest properties in Easton will pass into the city's hands. A serious accident and possible loss of life were averted at the Tidewater Steel Company, Chester, by the timely discovery of a large loaded shell which was about to be thrown into one of the

furnaces at the works.

Troubles follow Harry B. Biddle, of ' Pittsburg, whose two brothers, after escaping from jail, were killed by a posse. His 11-year-old son was killed by a railroad train. The body was taken to the undertaking establishment from which the Biddles were buried. William James, William Nolan and Walter Campbell, fish wardens, arrested

several men who were fishing illegally near Pittston, when two women attacked the officers with baseball bats and the men were severely beaten before they managed to make their escape. Dr. J. H. Gardner, of Stoyestown, vaccinated 310 men employed in the completion of the Quemahoning Branch

Railroad. He had one assistant. About 12 hours were spent in the work. Chester Council of Barbers has decided to oust all members who tolerate

Sunday shaving.

afone being \$28,948.51.

For the second time in two years the Reading Iron Works, of Danville, were partially destroyed by fire. The revenue receipts of the Ninth District for July were \$269,930.27. This is a decrease of \$71,549.21 as compared with July, 1901, the shortage on cigars

company to purchase 45,000 acres of oale and black walnut timber lands in Lou-isiana. T. D. Hughes is president and Dr. William M. Findley treasurer of the company. To avoid being killed by either of two trains on the Pennsylvania Railroad. Frederick Hahn, of Lancaster, jumped

frem a bridge over the New Holland

turnnike, a distance of 40 feet. His jaw

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was broken and he sustained internal The 5-year old daughter of Frank Niles, of Coudersport, was in a tree trying to cut off a branch, and wanting father's knife she waited until he drove under the tree with his moving ma-chine. Then she jumped in front of the knives, and before the horses could be

stopped one of her feet was cut off. Andrew Melchan, of Penn Haven, arrived in Freeland to attend the wedding of his brother. He exhibited signs of mental derangement and suddenly made a mad dash for the woods followed by a large crowd. Excessive joy at his brother's wedding is said to be the

cause for the affliction. Six firemen injured, two 8-story buildings almost completely destroyed, a number of others slightly damaged and a property loss estimated at \$318,500 is the result of a fire in Pittsburg which raged fiercely for seven hours.

smallpox epidemic under control. Forty cases have been removed to the hospital, in an isolated place, and not more than four or five are outside of the

The authorities of Chester have the

Joseph J. Allibaugh committed suicide at Uniontown by sending a bullet through his brain, and died instantly. He has been a sufferer for years, and recently threatened to take his life. Allibaugh was the pioneer in natural gas development in Payette county, and was largely interested in this line. He was deputy sheriff for twelve years and widely known in many business lines.