Dispute to Arbitration.

MR. HAY MAKES SIGNIFICANT MOVE. It Is Understood the Venezuelan Situation Hed Much To Do With The Signing Of the Treaty, And It May Result In Annuling the Augle-German Alliance-A Commission of

Washington, D. C. (Special).-Secretary of State Hay, for the United States, and Sir Michael H. Herbert, Ambassador of Great Britain, for his country, signed at the residence of Secretary Hay, a treaty providing for the adjustment of the Alaskan boundary dispute between the United States and Great Britain.

This may have a very important bearing on the Venezuelan question, leading to a weakening of the alliance between Germany and Great Britain.

The greatest secrecy has been maintained by the State Department relative to the negotiations. Western Senators have been consulted by the President and Secretary Hay, and it is believed that the terms of the treaty now signed will meet with the approval of those most interested. The Alaskan boundary is at present governed by a modus vivendi agreed on by Great Britain and the United States on October 20, 1899. The basis arranged for the adjustment

of the dispute is that the entire question shall be submitted to a mixed commission of six members, three of whom will be chosen by the United States and three by Great Britain. This even num-ber of commissioners has been chosen to that there will be no odd member who could cast the deciding vote and actually settle the entire question. To partment feels assured the Western States would not agree, and it is also felt by Sir Michael Herbert that it would

be opposed by Canada.
Of course, the State Department and
Ambassador Herbert see the possibility of a deadlock in the commission.

The treaty, besides providing for the

appointment of this commission, stipu-lates that the commission shall begin its At the State Department assurances have been received from prominent Senators cognizant of the terms of the treaty that there will be little difficulty in ob-taining the favorable action of the Sen-

ate at an early date.

Although the personnel of the commission has not been decided upon by either this country or, as far is known at the State Department, by Great Britain, it is practically assured that ex-Secretary of State John W. Foster, who is particularly well versed in the ques-tions to be considered, will be one of the commissioners for the United States. commission will doubtless meet in

The modus vivendi is still in operation. In case the commission shall be unable to reach any agreement there will be a continuation of the present status as coverned by the modus vivendi.

THREE KILLED IN PANIC.

Are Crushed to Death in Rush from a Cigar Factory.

New York (Special).-In a panic following a fire on the third floor of the 10story factory building at Crosby and Houston streets three women were crushed to death and others, it is believed, were fatally injured, while many rsons sustained less serious injury.

The third floor of the building, where

the flames broke out, is occupied by the New Idea Pattern Company, employing about 50 persons, mostly women. The blaze was discovered by Albert Behan, 19 years old, of 300 Ninth street, who attempted to extinguish it by smothering it with his own body. He was badly burned. The flames spread rapidly to the windows, and from the adjoining

Crosby street, running through to Elm ing gagging the socialists, who wanted street, employs about 500 persons, mostly to criticise the Emperor's utterances. street, employs about 500 persons, mostly Italians, of whom 350 are women and ecame paniestricken and ran for the fire escapes on the Elm street side. Many of those who were unable to find a

PLANNED A WHOLESALE ROBBERY.

Med Intended to Raid a number of Banks in Montana Town.

Red Lodge, Mont. (Special).-The dence in their possession showing that the famous Bridger Bank robbery last October was only intended as the first ment is made by a county official that when the cases of the Bridge Bank robbers come before the distirct court, the prosecution will prove that it was intended by the gang, after the suc-cessful robbery of the Bridge Bank, to assemble 20 men in western Carbon county, make a raid on Red Lodge and

loot the three banks in that city. Three Killed in Explosion.

New Orleans (Special) .- As the result of a rear-end collision between two south-bound freight trains on the Illinois Central, forty miles above this city, Fire-man Robert Landry was instantly killed and Conductor Thomas Moore and Flagman C. B. Kelley were severely injured. The trains met in a fog and thirteen cars, the locomotive and caboose were

Express Wrecked.

Kansas City, Mo. (Special).-The St. Louis and San Francisco northbound express, which left Memphis, Tenn., at 9.15 a. m., was wrecked near South Greenfield, Mo. Fred Fisher, the engineer, was killed and Fireman Ed Gilbert seriously injured. Several passengers were slightly hurt. A switch had been turned to indicate a clear track, possibly by would-be robbers, and the passenger crashed into a freight on a stilling. The engine rolled down a siding. The engine rolled down a

California's Orange Crop.

Los Angeles, Cal. (Special) .- Railroad officials say that there will be between 22,000 and 23,000 carloads of ors year, and that the frum

er grown here. It promises to be the

anner year, as the most perfect fruit

which has ever left the State is going

ent and the highest prices ever offered
for oranges are being paid in the East.

Unless some unforeseen disaster comes
is is safe to calculate that at least \$15
ill put into circulation in

There were the \$7,000,000 3 1-2 per cent. Near the same was at the rate of 103.26.

It is believed that the Pennsylvania now controls enough Atchison stock to prevent any other road from getting the mastery if it were to try.

Detective Sergeant William D. Welsh attached to the office of District Attor-ney Jerome, of New York, died from wounds received in the Black Cat res-taurant, and Mrs. Cherriere, wife of the proprietor, is under arrest, charged with firing the shot that killed him .

An investigation made by reputable lawyers of Philadelphia proves that there are no American heirs to the fortune of James Tyson, an Australian miner, who left property valued at \$40,000,000.

The big transatiantic shipping combine has decided to carry its own risks. This will take an insurance of \$60,000,000 away from the companies. Four of the six molders on trial for

conspiracy to injure nonunion workmen during the labor troubles of 1902 were found guilty at Chicago.

A new alignment of railroads in the South and West is announced, with the Pennsylvania combination as the domi-

Rev. E. C. Hirsch, of Chicago, made a fervid denunciation of Sunday school There is unusual activity at the naval

training station at Newport.
Fire damaged a factory building at the coroner of Crosby and Houston streets. New York, adjoining a five-story tene-ment, the occupants of which got out on the fire escapes. Three women were killed during a panic in an adjoining A number of persons were cigar factory.

also severely injured. Three Italian women were killed and number of men and women injured by a fire panic in the cigar factory of Leo-pold Miller & Son, 153-157 Crosby street, New York. The fire was in an adjoining building and the cigar factory was in no

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has negotiated a loan approximating \$40,000,000 in the New York market at 4 1-2 per cent. The loan is to run for six months, with the privilege of renewal for a like period. A statement was issued by a commit-

tec of the Clan-na-Gael showing how the makes. soldiers of the Irish brigade were cared Final for by the association upon their return from the war in the Transvaal. William Marconi, the demonstrator of wireless telegraphy, arrived in New York.

A dinner was given in his honor by the directors of the Marconi Wireless Telegraph Company of America. Archbishop Ireland has addressed a ommunication to the French Minister of Foreign Affairs, protesting against the forcible dispossession of the Passionist

Fathers in Paris. In his annual report John McCullogh, state superintendent of elections in New York, charges fraud at last primary election in that state.

Susan M. Beers and her son, Elijah, were convicted in Belvidere, N. J., of inhuman treatment of the woman's aged

At Pittsburg three men were killed and three badly injured by an explosion at the eastern end of te Wabash tunnel. The Adams Express Company has ob-tained control of the Morris European strength of that region. Express Company,

Arguments in the court-martial of war, have been subnot yet been made public

one of the most serious differences of opinion between Great Britain and the United States that has occurred for years.

The German Foreign Office is much aggrieved over American press com-ments on the bombardment of Fort San Carlos. They claim that the Panther was fired upon first.

Professor Braun, of Strasburg, who gave Marconi the clue to his method of wireless telegraphy, has now discovered a method vastly superior to that of Mar-

cigar factory of Leopold Miller & Sons it
seemed that the whole building was afre.
This factory, which is at 155 and 157 In the French Chamber of Deputies children. When they saw the flames the government was interpellated on bursting from the neighboring windows the charge that the socialists were trythe government was interpellated on ing to cause insubordination and dissatisfaction among the soldiers.

Col. Arthur Lynch, member of Par-

foothold on the fire escapes dropped 10 liament for Galway, was convicted of and 15 feet to the ground. hanged. Two high officials of Roumania have

been arrested for defrauding the gov-ernment through drawings of govern-

The Pope received Monsignor Red Lodge, Mont. (Special).—The o'Connell, rector of the Catholic Uni-

M. Cambon, former minister to the United States, is the recipient of un-usual honor in Madrid. Timothy Harrington, M. P., was re-elected lord mayor of Dublin.

who can are leaving Andjan, Prussian Tuskestan, which was devastated by an earthquake, and great destitution is prevailing among the survivors Dr. Von Holleben, on his arrival in

Paris, said he was too ill to make his farewell call on President Roosevelt. The second anniversary of Queen Victoria's death was observed at var-ious places in England. Lieutenant General Miles and his

party left St. Petersburg after exchangng official calls. M. Cambon, the new French minispresented his credentials to King

enso in Madrid. Pietro Mascagni has again been made director of the Rossini Lyceum at

Financial.

United States Rubber's past year was he best one it has had for a decade. Erie is contemplating extensive ime tracking. Gould and his friends will soon con-

trol 75 per cent. of all the railway business of the Southwest. Crude oil has been reduced 2 cents

a barrel to \$1.52. It gradually rose with-out a halt from \$1.22 to \$1.54. Railways Company General, for De cember, showed gross earnings of \$20.

990, against \$17,371 the previous year. Ontario & Western has been selected as one of the low-priced shares that will be boosted in the next upward move-

A National Lead Company director ages shipped from Southern California denies that the preferred shares will be

ABOUT THAT ALASKA LINE THE LATEST NEWS IN SHORT ORDER. AN EARLY SETTLEMENT WITH THE NATIONAL LAWMAKERS. SAN CARLOS DESTROYED

Minister Bowen Believes End is Near in Venezuelan Trouble.

TO AVOID FURTHER COMPLICATIONS.

Venezuela Will Demand that There Be No Preferred Creditors-Mr. Bowen is Ready to Make the Concessions That a Weaker Power Must Make When it is Forced to a Settlement By a Strong Government

Washington, D. C. (Special) .- Mr. Herbert W. Bowen, the representative of Venezuela in the negotiations in progress here, made this statement at his hotel at midnight:

"I have good reason to believe that the pending controversy between the three allied powers and Venezuela will be settled soon and satisfactorily."

This seems to mark the turning point of the Venezuelan situation. Mr. Bowen made the statement after a day of aljost continued monferences with the diplomatic representatives of Great Britain, Germany and Italy. There has been much cipher cabling between the embassies here and London, Berlin and

Mr. Bowen's intention from the first has been to obtain an agreement as a result of which the blockade of the Venezuelan ports by the allied fleets would be raised. He came to Washington empowered by President Castro to offer anything in the way of a guarantee. He has been ready throughout the negotiations to make the concesweaker power which a make when it is forced to a settlement by a strong government. The initial proposition made by Mr. Bowen to the powers was that the blockade be raised and that the powers accept the col-lection by their representatives, under a plan yet to be devised, that Venezuela will stand by the promises Mr. Bowen

Final answers, it was said, have not been received to his proposition, but enough is known to indicate that England and Italy are strongly adverse to any policy which will result in trouble with the United States, and there is no question that any infraction of the prin-ciples of the Monroe doctrine, even by the powerful triple alliance, would draw forth a very emphatic declaration from the United States. The turn toward a peaceable outcome came at a time when public sentiment in the United States was becoming strongly sympathetic toward Venezuela

FARMERS TO FORM UNION.

Organizations Are Springing Up All Through the West.

Chicago, Ill. (Special).-A movement "The New Orleans Special" was wrecked at Memphis, Tenn., by an open switch. The engineer and fireman were ion. All through the West hundreds of is under way among the farmers of the farmers' organizations are being formed, and a farmers' meeting will be held at Broad Lands, Champagne county, Ill., for the purpose of uniting the

It is believed that a farmers' union, thoroughly intrenched, will be the strongest association in the world, able to dictate absolutely to the mon-Major Glenn, charged with unlawfully ster trusts that now control the business world, including the agriculturists mitted and the verdict of the court is It is argued that 100 farmers, joined beleived to be acquittal, though it has together for mutual protection, will be thousand times stronger than the The reciprocity treaty between Cuba same number of farmers as individuals. and the United States threatens to raise Throughout Indiana, Iowa, Nebraska and Minnesota the movement toward organization is being rapidly pushed. In some parts of Illinois unions have been formed.

The movement toward uniting the various farmers' unions into a national body will soon be started.

EARTHQUAKES IN THE SOUTH.

South Carolina and Georgia Felt Tremers at Night.

Charleston, S. C. (Special).-An Count you Ballerstrem has resigned earthquake shock was felt here at 8.11 clock n. m. There was one distinct shock, which was not sufficient to cause any damage to property nor even to occasion serious alarm. Reports from points near the city indicate that ock was felt throughout lower

South Carolina. Columbia, S. C. (Special).—A decided earthquake shock was felt in this city and suburbs at 8.16 o'clock. Savannah, Ga. (Special).—Two distinct and almost immediately successive shocks of earthquake were felt here at 8.15 o'clock. Reports from Tybee Island are that houses were very percept-

ibly shaken. Murder Mystery Cleared.

Toledo, Ohio (Special).-A somewhat notorious murder mystery of two years' standing was cleared when Miss Johanna Sullivan in court positively identified Al and Ben Wade as the nurderers of he sister, Miss Kate Sullivan. The Sullivan sisters, both of whom were aged spinsters, lived just outside of the city limits on a farm. wo years ago two men entered their louse, robbed them of all the money the sisters had hidden and beat women so badly that one died of her The other crawled a mile give the alarm, and was nearly dead rom exhaustion when found.

Killed in a Collision. Pittsburg, Pa. (Special).-Three men were killed and four seriously injured at 7 o'clock in the eastern end of the Wabash tunnel, South Side, by an explosion of dynamite, due, it is said, to some one turning on the electrical current without receiving the proper signal.

Great Gift By Carnegle.

London (By Cable).-Dispatches from Edinburgh announce that in furtherance of his educational scheme for Scotland Andrew Carnegie has decided to endow a trust for scientific research. The sum of \$5,000,000 will be expended on the scheme. This is in addition to the \$10,-000,000 previously given by Mr. Car-negie for Scotch education. The pur-pose of the first gift was to enable every poor boy in Scotland to receive a university education.

Two Trainmen Killed.

Freeport, Ill. (Special).-A Chicago Great Western passenger train, which left Chicago for St. Paul at 6.30 o'clock p. m., struck a broken rail at South Freeport and jumped from the track. The engineer and the fireman were killed and several passengers were injured

Woman Frozen to the Ground.

Gloucester, Mass. (Special) .- Frozen to the ground so firmly that it had to be pried up, the body of Mrs. Mary San-born was found in the woods at West Gioucester. It is believed that she was overcome by intoxication.

Canal Treaty Between the United States and

Washington, D. C. (Special).-The Senate in executive session voted to make public the Panama Canal Treaty. The letters of transmittal of the President and Secretary Hay were brief and formal and contained no recommendations. Article 1 of the treaty is as fol-

"The government of Colombia authorizes the new Panama Canal Com-pany to sell and transfer to the United States its rights, privileges, properties and concessions, as well as the Panama Railroad and all the shares or part of the shares of that company; but public lands situated outside of the zone hereinafter specified, now corresponding to the concessions to both said enterprises, shall revert to the Republic of Colombia, except any prop-erty now owned by or in the posses-sion of the said companies within Panama or Colon, or the ports and terminals thereof.

"But it is understood that Colombia reserves all its rights to the special shares in the capital of the new Panama Canal Company, to which reference is made in article 4 of the contract of December 10, 1890, which shares shall be paid in full nominal value, at least; but, as such right of Colombia exists solely in its character of stockholder in said company, no obligation under this provision is imposed upon or assumed by the United States.

"The railroad company (and the United States as owner of the enterprise) shall be free from the obliga-tions imposed by the railroad concession, excepting as to the payment at maturity by the railroad company of the outstanding binds issued by said railroad company.

Creates a Naval Reserve.

Senator Perkins introduced bills providing for the creation of a naval re-serve and a naval militia. The militia bill provides that the naval militia shall be a part of the regular militia of each State and leaves the determination of the proportion to the authorities of each State. It is provided, however, that members of the naval militia shall be seafaring men or the owners of ves-sels. Practically the same qualification is prescribed for members of the naval reserve force.

Fountain by Edward Kemeys.

Senator Gallinger introduced a bill appropriating \$150,000 for the purchase and erection in Washington of a foun-tain to Edward Kemeys. The bill au-thorizes the Senate and House Library Committees to approve the design and select a site on some public reservation, there being a provision that it shall not be erected on either the Capitol or Library grounds.

Hendstones for Confederate Graves.

The Senate Committee on Military Affairs ordered a favorable report on the bill introduced by Senator Foraker, appropriating money from the National Treasury for the erection of headstones to mark the graves of Confederate soldiers buried in the North. The amount to be used for this purpose was placed at \$200,000, at the suggestion of Secretary Root.

Cession of Lands at Red Lake.

Senator Clapp, from the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, reported the bill carrying into effect the agreement the cession of lands belonging to Red Lake Indian reservation, in Minnesota.

In the Departments.

The House passed the Agricultural Appropriation Bill, with an increase in the amount for free seeds. President Roosevelt transmitted to the Senate his answer to the resolution of Senator Hoar calling on him to inform the Senate what government is now existing in the Island of Guam.

President Roosevelt is suffering from a painful bruise of the right wrist, sustained in the practice of single-stick ex-

The President transmitted the Panama Canal treaty to the Senate. Thie treaty provides for the payment by the United States to Colombia of \$10,000,000 in gold and \$250,000 annually thereafter. The lease of a zone six miles wide for 100 the right to send troops to protect its property in case Colombia cannot do so. Two hundred and thirty-five bills were

Two hundred and thirty-nve bills were passed by the House. Among them were bills to pension the widow of Gen. Franz Sigel at the rate of \$100 per month, the widow of Gen Francis Negley at the rate of \$50 per month, and the widow of Rear Admiral Henry F, Picking at the rate of \$40 per month. rate of \$40 per month. Secretary Moody has not recovered fully from the effects of his recent acci-

dent, and, at the suggestion of the Presi-dent, he will take a few days of absolute Representative Gardner introduced bill for the location of an additional naval academy at Marblehead, Mass.

The shortage of W. S. Yeatman, late disbursing clerk of the War-Department, is \$64,611. The Senate Committee on Military Affairs authorized a fayorable report ago. on the bill appropriating money for the erection of headstones to mark the Confederate soldiers buried

in the North. Mrs. Katherine Buntz Davis Brown, wife of Commander Brown, of the Navy, and a daughter of former Sena-tor Henry G. Davis, of West Virginia, In the House the Committee on Na-

val Affairs asked for full power to investigate the charge of bribery preferred by Mr. Lessler. It was granted. Representatives of Mexico are in Washington to study our financial sys-tem, with a view to the adoption of the

Imprisons Vice-President.

Rio Janeiro (Special).-An official dispatch received here from La Paz, Bolvia, states that President Pando was to leave La Paz for Acre in command of the second expeditionary force. He has imprisoned the First Vice-President, Colonel Venasco, who opposed the Acre concessions made to the American syndicate, and has delegated the duties of the Presidency to the Sec-ond Vice-President, Dr. Capriles.

Accused of Beating Child to Death.

Smith Center, Kan. (Special) .- Albert Jordan, a wealthy farmer ,has been placed in jail at Crystal Plains, near here, charged with the murder of his 4-year-old adopted child. While in a rage, it is said, Jordan beat the child and later it died. The citizens are excited and there has been talk of mob violence. A coroner's jury is investigating.

The Russian government has granted rights to Americans to prospect for gold in Siberia.

bardment at Maracaibo.

FORT FIRED ON CRUISER PANTHER. His Story That the Venezuelans Began the

Cannonading Confirmed by Another Report, Which Declares That the German Gunbont Was Twice Fired Upon While Passing the Maracaibo Bar.

ficet in Venezuelan waters, officially reports the bombardment of Fort San Carlos from Maracaibo under date of January 21, as follows:

"On the 17th inst., while the Panther was passing the Maracaibo bar, she was unexpectedly attacked by Fort San Carlos, which opened a heavy fire San Carlos, which opened a heavy fire to the Tothis the Panther replied.

"Profoundly impressed by the sorfleet in Venezuelan waters, officially re-

on her. To this the Panther replied, and a cannonade was exchanged for half an hour. Owing to the difficulties of navigation the Panther then desisted 'In order to exact an immediate punishment for this attack, the more Venezuelan government has

inst., and destroyed it."

London (By Cable).—In a dispatch from Willemstad, Curação, the correspondent of the Daily Mail says: 'On Wednesday the German gunboat Panther, which was insecurely an-chored off San Carlos, moved in close to the Castillo battery, which fired one shot as a warning. The Panther dis-regarded the hint. Another shot was fired from the Castillo battery. There upon the Panther opened fire and con-tinued the cannonade for half an hour, when she retired. The Vineta immediately began a heavy bombardment of Fort San Carlos, seriously damaging the fort and the houses in the vicinity.

Caracas, Venezuela (By Cable).-- Up to this hour no news has been received here tending to confirm the report that warship Panther had en-German tered Lake Maracaibo and that the Venezuelan cruiser Miranda has sur-rendered to her. The rumor is believ-

ed to be without foundation.

It developed that the Dutch cruiser De Ruyter, which arrived at Lagu-ayra from the island of Los Roques, which is mostly inhabited by charcoal-burners trading with Laguayra, found that 12 men and 5 women had died of hunger and thirst there as a result of the blockade measures of the allied powers, which prohibited schooners from carrying provisions and water to the island.

As previously cabled the De Ray ter left provisions and water sufficient to last eight days with the inhabitants of Los Roques, who are to be conveyed to Curocao at the earliest possible date.

WILCOX GETS THIRTY YEARS. Full Limit of the Law for Second Degree

Murder. Hertford, N. C. (Special).-After be ing out 20 hours the jury at Hertford in the case of James E. Wilcox, charged with the murder of Miss Ella Cropsey, at Elizabeth City, returned a verdict of murder in the second degree.

Wilcox was sentenced to the penitentiary for 30 years, the full limit of the law. His attorneys gave notice that an appeal will be taken to the State Su-preme Court. He will be returned to jail at Elizabeth City, where the crime was committed, to await the orders of the court.

The jurymen sent word to the Sheriff at 11 o'clock that they desired Judge W. B. Councill's charge repeated to them. This was done at 9.30 a. m.
In sentencing Wilcox, Judge Councill said in part:

"The jury has seen fit to return a verdict of murder in the second degree. It has found that you took the life of Miss Cropsey through malice, but without premeditation and deliberation. By what process of reasoning the members of the jury arrived at this conclusion is not for me to say. I regard their action, however, in the light that they have been as charitable to you as possible, in view of the evidence in case as they see it, and resolved all doubt upon the question of premed-itation and deliberation in your favor. If guilty, I think you deserve the full limit of the law."

Not to Pay Per Capita Tax.

Trenton, N. J. (Special).-State Secetary Meirs, of the New Jersey State Council, Junior Order United American Mechanics, received notice that Vice-Chancellor Pitney had decided in favor of the State Council in the case that had been pending in the courts for a long time between that body and the national organization. The suit was brought by the National Council to compel the State Council to pay over \$20,000 back per capita tax which the latter body refused to pay New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland some other States seceded from the national body three or four years

Burns House at Mazatlan. Mazatlan, Mexico (Special).-There vere six deaths from the plague here. The house of the chief of police, with its furniture, has been burned, owing to its being contaminated by the plague. There were 43 serious cases in the Lazaretto. The number of houses burned is 141. Money is coming in freely from the City of Mexico and in-terior cities. Great numbers of poor people are without work, owing to the closing of business concerns and fac-

tories. SPARKS FROM THE WIRES

A westbound passenger train on the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad en route from Springfield to Kansas City ran into an open switch at South Greenfied and crashed into a freight train. Engineer Fred Fisher, of the passenger train, was killed instantly, and his fireman, Edward Gilbert, was

fatally hurt.

J. M. Boyce and O. R. McLeod, medical students at North Carolina Medical College, in Charlotte, are critically ill from blood poisoning, following infection from a cadaver.

At Springtown, N. J., Frank Nichols, colored, murdered his wife, burned his home and then committed suicide.

During session of Coal Strike Commission in Philadelphia Chairman Gray severely criticised refusal of president of a miners' union to grant permission for miners' union to grant permission for erection of a boilerhouse to protect a

At Yalesboro, Pa., Mrs. Lituama shot and killed Santo Marzis, a rejected suitor, who followed her from her home, in Europe.

The special convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Newark, N. J., was unable to reach a choice in balloting for a bishop.

AGUINALDO'S NEW SCHEME,

Asks the United States Government for a Loan of \$100,000,000.

Washington, D. C. (Special).-Secreary Root transmitted to the Senate and House copies of a petition received by him, through Governor Taft, from Aguinaldo, the late insurgent leader in the Philippines. The petition is a remarkable presentation of the conditions now existing in the Philippines, and Secretary Root hastened to send it to Berlin (By Cable).—Commodore
Scheder, commander of the German
fleet in Venezuelan waters, officially re-

"Profoundly impressed by the sor rows and calamities which afflict my peo ple," he continues, "and bearing in mind the good intentions which have inspired acts of the Civil Commission, I have taken heart to present a project of a purely economic character which, in my opinion, would remedy, if not completely at least in great part, the precarious situ

proclaimed it a victory, I bombarded the fort with the Vineta on the 21st ation in which we all find ourselves.
"I propose to the Honorable Civil Commission to obtain from Congress a United States Treasury loan of \$20,000,-000, gold, in cash, and also a credit of \$80,000,000, gold, which will guarantee the issue of paper to serve as money in the islands. This sum shall be used for the development and improvement of Philippine agriculture and shall be paid within 20 years the payments made in three instalments-at the end of 10. 15 and 20 years, respectively—and at the rate of \$25,000,000 at the end of the first period, which would cancel so much of the credit, and \$25,000,000 and \$50,000,000 at the end of the two remaining periods. The amount of the credit would not be taken out of the United States Treasury, like the loan, and both would be without interest, and could never be

"When the loan and credit were approved and the above mentioned sum here in the Philippines a bank would be prened which could be called the United States of America Agricultural Philippine Bank, and which should be under the inspection and supervision of the insular government." MADDEN SENT TO PRISON.

Pittsfield, Mass. (Special).-Euclid Madden, motorman, and James T. Kelley, conductor, indicted for manslaughter in connection with the accident here last September in which President Roosevelt was injured and William Craig, his bodyguard, was kill-

Motorman Ran Car Into President Roosevelt's

Carriage.

ed, retracted their pleas of hot gand, and pleaded guilty.

Madden was sentenced to serve six months in the House of Correction and to pay a fine of \$500. Kelley's case was put on file.

District Attorney Malone severely arrighed Madden in a statement to the

District Attorney statement to the raigned Madden in a statement to the court, charging him with criminal negligence and especially referring to his reply to the President immediately after the accident, that he had the right of way. Attorney Turtle said the ac-cident was due to misjudgment on

cident was due to misjudgment on Madden's part.

The court said that as each had pleaded guilty he was obliged to take the District Attorney's statement and punish Madden accordingly. He might have imposed a sentence of three years in State prison or a fine of \$1,000. Madden was removed to the House of Cor rection in this city and began his sen-

Engine Explodes. Coshocton, Ohio (Special),-Four men were killed by the explosion of the boiler on an eastbound Panhandle freight train four miles west of Bow-erstown. The locomotive was hurled 60 feet and crashed down upon a passing westbound freight train, smashing the second car behind the engine. Twenty-six cars were hurled down an embankment. Fireman McCurdy and Brakeman Clemens, who were on the engine that blew up, were instantly kill-ed, as well as Engineer J. D. Ward and Brakeman Petrie, of the passing freight train. Engineer Dan O'Don-nell was fatally injured.

Soufriere Volcano Again. Kingston (By Cable) .- A brisk eruption of the Soufriere volcano, on this island, occurred at noon. Into the clear sky shot up a twirling, incandescent cloud, followed by black smoke, which rapidly ascended to a great height. It furnished a highly interesting spectacland was visible throughout the island

Sand is falling at Chateau Belair.

Mountain Rent in Twain. City of Mexico (Special).-News ha been received here by the Minister of the Interior of earthquakes and volcanic disturbances near Urique, in the State of Chihuahua, Nentana Mountain has been riven in twain and the atmosphere is filled with fine volcanic dust. Ar earthquake at midnight was terrifying inhabitants and the people wer

filled with consternation. Accident to St. Paul.

Southampton, Eng. (By Cable) .- The American Line steamer St. Paul broke down in Southampton water shortly after sailing for New York, owing to a mishap to her machinery. The accident to the St. Paul consisted of the cracking of her intermediate cylinder cover. This was repaired and the vessel proceeded at 8.30 p. m.

Nine Killed in Explosion.

Wenatchee, Wash. (Special).-Nine men are dead and 8 or 10 injured as a result of a rear-end collision on the Great Northern at a point known as Happy Hollow, just above Chiwaukum. A bridge gang train ran into an engine A bridge gang train ran into an engine standing with a rotary snowplow. A car containing 50 men belonging to the bridge crew was thrown from the track. The dead and injured were all members of the work gang. Neither engineer, fireman or brakeman was among the injured.

Proposed Lee Memorial. Philadelphia (Special).-Erection of

an equestrian statue of Gen. Robert E. an equestrian statue of Gen. Robert E.
Lee on the Gettysburg battlefield will
be the object of a bill which will be
introduced this week in the Legislature
by Representative Thomas V. Cooper,
of Delaware county. Col. A. K. McClure is the author of the bill. The
proposed act will appropriate \$20,000
and provide for a commission to cooperate with Virginians in obtaining a
statue of General Lee. This commission, it is specified, shall consist of the
Governor, the Adjutant-General and
five veterans of the Union Army.

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News Rappenings of Interest Gathered Prom All Sources.

Patents granted:—James H. Baker, Allegheny, apparatus for making chains, manufacture of chains, brake beams; Silas W. Bennett, McDonald, invalid bedstead; Peter Bertges, Allegheny, window; Oliver W. Bubb, Ellwood City, stove pipe; Otto W. Cook, Wilkinsburg, try square for die makers use; Albert G. Cummings, Millersburg, hydraulic packing device; James D. Daugherty, Kittanning, typewriter ribbon actuating mechanism; Burton L. Gale, Warren, box or case; Enos L. Moore, Pittsburg, combined gas valve Patents granted:-James H. Baker, Moore, Pittsburg, combined gas valve and burner; John H. Nicholson, Pittsburg, piercing and expanding mill; John H. Park, Park Quarries, brick kiln; Charles E. Shaffer, Hallton, toy figure; Ralph C. Stifel and R. T. Brown, Ellwood City, tube drawing device; Michael F. Wenrich, Ravine, nut lock.

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For several days officers have been searching for Edward Evans, of Steel-ville, Chester County, who is charged with having stolen a horse belonging to Martin Wiltman of Kirkwood, Coleran Township, this county. It was learned that Evans was at the residence of William Hazen, at White Rock, Coleran Township and Constable Frank James, of Quarryville, set out on horseback to arrest Evans. When within 200 yards of the house the constable saw Evans running away. James called on the fugitive to halt, but he refused to do so. James rode on to the house, when, he says a woman appeared armed with a revolver. She pointed the weapon at the constable and forced him to remain until Evans was out of sight. James says he will have the woman arrested. In the matter of the opposition of the

Post Office Department to the mainten-ance of rural free delivery routes for which turnpike tolls are charged Con-gressman Cassel has received definite information from the Postmaster General. Congressman Cassel stated that he found that there is no intention on the part of the Post Office Department to interfere with the routes already established, whether they pass over turnpikes or not, nor is there any intention of changing, any contracts which the department has with turnpike companies. What action may be taken with reference to routes asked for in the future, which will pass over turnpikes, has not been fully decided .

The new line of the Pennsylvania Railroad across Lancaster County, from At-glen to the Columbia and Port Deposit line, will be the longest straight line that the Pennsylvania system has in the State. On the east of the line for eight miles the road will be perfectly straight and on the west end the conditions are almost the same. On the whole line there will be one mile of over fifteen feet grade, which will be in striking contrast with the heavy grades of Mountville and Gap. An engine on the new road will be able to move trains of immense size. The to move trains of immense size. The line was projected to avoid the Gap and Mountville grades and to permit large

train movement. One of the guests at the wedding of John J. McCarthy and Miss Alice Mc-Gugart, at Schuylkill Haven, in throwongart, at Schnylam Haven, in throwing a bag of rice at the newly wedded couple as they were stepping into their cab, missed them and struck the horses, causing a runaway. The horse ran from St. Ambrose's Catholic Church, where the wedding was celebrated, through the wedding was celebrated, through the greater part of the town, colliding with several teams. Adam Moyer fin-ally jumped at the horses heads and brought them to a standstill. The bride

and bridegroom were unhurt. The Washington and Jefferson College faculty announced these members of the junior class who will appear in the annual junior oratorical contest at commencement next spring for a prize of \$50: James Roy Dickie, Pittsburg; James Ferris, Houston; John Fielding, Jr., Allegheny; Elder Watson Marshall, Wilkinsburg; Homer Persell Prowitt, Washington, and Charles Andrew Tuit, Uniontown. These six were chosen out

One hundred Italians employed at the Lake Eric Company's quarries at Hills-ville quit work because they objected to a new system of paying adopted. Failing to induce 70 men in the Union quarry of the same company to quit, they armed themselves with revolvers. knives and sledges and marched upon the lesser body. After a brief battle in which several shots were fired the Union men quit.

dered plans drawn for a new \$35,000 school building. A. L. Leech, of Pittsburg, fell under s train at Big Run, Jefferson county, and was probably fatally injured. While David Richael was attending

The Greenville school board has or-

prayer meeting at East Brooke, his horse and sleigh, valued at \$175, were Extensive preparations are being made by the Knights of the Golden Eagle lodges at Johnstown, for the entertainment of the 2,000 or more Golden Eagles to assemble in that city on May

The Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburg Railroad has purchased as acres of land from J. B. Brown and Thomas March in Shenango township, Lawrence counin Shenango township, Lawrence coun-ty, for the right of way for the new line

At a meeting of the Burgettstown town council, the franchise of the Burgettstown Street Railway Company came up for second reading. On motion it was tabled until the company would disclose its identity.

Announcement is made that the Carnegie Steel Company has taken over the orders of the Sharon Steel Company for billets and other heavy material that this concern marketed. No final disposition has been made regarding the iurnaces and blooming and billet mills. General Manager Stevenson is authority for the statement that the United States Steel Corporation will operate the big tube mill.