LAND FORCES MOVING THAT WAY

Russians Claim That Most of the Lyddite Shells Fired by the Japs Failed to Burst-Russian Batteries Did Not Reply, the Generals in Command Explaining They Were Awaiting Closer Approach of the Japanese.

Vladivostok, (By Cable) - A fleet of five Japanese battleships and two cruisers appeared off this place at 1.25 P. M. and bombarded the town and shore batteries for 55 minutes.

The fleet approached from the direction of Askold Island, at the east entrance to Ussuri Bay, and about 32 miles southeast of Vladivostok. Entering Ussuri Bay the enemy formed in line of battle, but did not approach to a closer range than five and one-third miles. They directed their fire against the shore bat teries and the town, but no damage resulted, as most of their 200 lyddite shells failed to burst.

The Russian batteries, commanded by Generals Veronets and Artanoff, did not reply, awaiting a closer approach of the

The Japanese fire ceased at 2.20 P. M., and the enemy retired in the direction of Askold Island. Simultaneously two of Askold Island. Simultaneously two mill at Greenwood, Pa., P. T. Brown torpedo-boat destroyers appeared near the proprietor, and his two helpers, Wal-Askold Island and two more near Cape Maidel. The Japanese ships were covgred with ice.

The attack resulted in no loss to the Russians, but cost the enemy 200,000 roubles (\$100,000) in ammunition. Most of the projectiles were 6 and 12 inch

The population of Vladivostok was warned of the presence on the horizon route to the Philippines. of a hostfie fleet and of the prospect of The establishment of a college of doan attack during the day, but the people | mestic science is announced at the Uniremained tranquil.

Viceroy Alexieff's Report.

St. Petersburg, (By Cable). - A communication from Viceroy Alexieff to the Czar from Mukden bearing Sunday's

"I most humbly inform Your Majesty Those numery inform four stajesty that the commandant at the fortress at Vladivostok reports that at 8.50 A. M. seven vessels were sighted south of Askold Island. At 9.45 they were seen to be warships making for Askold Island. About noon the enemy's squadron was midway between the coast and Askold Island, making for Ussuri Bay. They were out of reach of the shore batteries At 1.30 the enemy opened fire. Two ves-sels in the squadron were probably the first-class cruisers Idzum and Yakumo, but the names of the other vessels are

Five Killed By Japanese Fire.

St. Petersburg, (By Cable).—Official dispatches received here concerning the bombardment of Vladivostok by a Japanese fleet do not mention any Russian losses, but private advices say that five were killed-four sailors and the wife of an engineer.

It is apparent the Japanese were afraid fire. to risk exposing their ships to the plung-ing fire of the land batteries, and it is considered probable here that the attack was really for the purpose of drawing the fire of the Russian forts, compelling the Russians to disclose the position and caliber of their guns, and also for the purpose of ascertaining whether the Russian squadron is in port.

BATTLESHIPS BLOCKED. Wrecked Russian Warship Lies in Way at

Port Arthur. London, (By Cable). - Little change in the Far Eastern situation is reported

forces into Korea, and this work is being facilitated by the enforced inactivity of According to the Sebastopoleorra dent of the Daily Graphic Admiral Skrydloff has learned privately from Port Arthur that the Russian battleship Ret

vizan lies in such a position as to block effectually the exit of battleships from the harbor, the passage being practicable only for cruisers.

The correspondent adds that Russia's new battleships now building on the Baitic will not be ready for active commis-sion before the end of August.

The Japanese official who has charge of Japan's financial and commercial interests in England declares that his gov erament foresaw the possibility of coal being declared contraband of war, and that it has been collecting large stores of Welsh steam coal for years, so that it has a supply sufficient for the needs of the navy for years to come.

· DROWNED IN BRIDGE COLLAPSE.

Structure Was Weakened By a Cloudburst and Goes Down.

Cleveland, O., (Special).-Six men were drowned and four others injured as a result of the collapse of the bridge spanning Yellow Creek, near Irondale. on the Cleveland and Pittsburg Railroad The men were on two locomotives that attempted to cross the bridge close to gether.
Most of the men lived at Wellsville, O.

Of the 11 men making up the crews of the two engines all went down except one man left at one end of the bridge as

The bridge had been weakened by a cloudburst that occurred Thursday. The engines had hauled out two work trains and were returning to Wellsville for water when the accident occurred.

Stolen Meat Killed E ght.

Birmingham, Ala., (Special).-Eight negroes are dead from eating poisoned hog meat that was stolen from the smokehouse of Thomas Perkins, a white farmer residing near St. Stephens, Ala. The farmer had been constantly robbed of his winter supply of meat, and put rough on rats on a quantity of it, which he placed where the thieves were apt to get it. They got it, and the result is that a number are dead. Other negroes were nade ill, but will recover.

Moro Force Wiped Out.

Manila, (By Cable).—Gen. Wood reports under date of February 15, an engagement with the Moros under Hassan on the Island of Jolo. Lieut. West and fix privates were wounded. One has since died. The Moro loss was heavy. Hassan succeeded in making his escape. His original force of 3,000 has now been reduced to fifteen. The island is now der the control of the American author-es, and influential Moros are aiding in

the pursiet of the outlaws.

The members of the constabulary who
The members of the constabulary who revolted at Vigan are all in custody. The arms and ammunition taken by them were recovered.

JAPANESE CRUISER SUNK.

She Is Lying Near Chemulpo, Reports Major General Pflug.

St. Petersbusg. (By Cable).-The folowing dispatch, dated March 8, has been received from Major General Pflug. commanding the Russian forces at Port

"All is quiet at Port Arthur and Yin-"According to information given by

eye-witnesses, a Japanese cruiser having three funnels lies near Chemulpo, between islands, having recently sunk

A correspondent of the Daily Mail, cabling from Chefoo under date of March I, said, among other things, that he had seen a Japanese cruiser of the Niintaka type beached at the entrance of Namyang Creek, which is about 15 miles south of Chemulpo.

Japanese naval vessels of the Niiataka type have three funnels

The Latest Happenings Condensed for Rapid Reading.

NEWS IN SHORT ORDER

Domestic.

After 100 years' existence as a financial institution the Marblehead (Mass.) Na-tional Bank closed its doors to public es, and its affairs will be liquidated as repidly as possible

By the explosion of the boiler of a saw lace Tice and Robert Compton, were instantly killed.

Charles Lasek, who had retained life while pinioned under the ruins of the Hotel Darlington, in New York, for 30 ours, died s on after being taken out. the car service associations of Pittsburg,

Two hundred marines left the League Island Navy Yard for San Francisco, en

versity of Chicago.

himself. Robert McMahon, a brother of Benjamin McMahon, of New York, committed suicide in Waterloo, Ia., by taking A thousand

eyanide of potassium. Clayborn W. Merchant, Jr., who killed

George H. Hutchins in a duel in Carlsbad, N. M., was declared not guilty of murder.

Richard Sibley, manufacturer of a large filed a petition in bankruptcy.

In a race riot at Bokashe, I. T., two of the city, white men were killed and one white man and two negroes seriously wounded. Dan Cushing was captured by brigands near Devils River, Tex., and released after an all-night horseback ride. A number of lives have been lost and

in Oklahoma and Indian Territory. The crew of the lighthouse-tender Nina were put in jail on the charge of mutiny in San Juan, Porto Rico.

Denny Memorial Hall, at Dickinson ollege, Carlisle, Pa., was destroyed by

There were several collisions in New York harbor on account of the feg. The coke trade is hampered by a shortore in cars.

Dr. Morris Jastrow, of Philadelphia

has been offered the chairmanship of the department of the history of religion at the St Louis Exposition.

sued in Buston.

here. It is apparent that the Japanese law of Congressman J. Adam Bede, died at Duluth, Minn,

Dr. Charles B. Pillsbury, a brother in law of Congressman J. Adam Bede, died at Duluth, Minn,

Edmund F. Dixey, a once famous minstrel, died in Philadelphia of congestion of the lungs. Distinguished prelates and educators

met in convention in Philadelphia. Gen. Charles E. Dick was declared lected to the United States Senate.

A large part of Rocky Mountain, North Carolina, was destroyed by fire. Former Congressman Levy was verely injured by a fall near his New

The United States transport Sherman sailed for the Philippines.

Joseph White, one of the military risoners who secured his release from Alcatraz Island by means of a forged pardon, has been arrested at San Fran-

Fareign.

British and German vessels laden with coal, provisions and other contraband articles have reached Vladivostok, Japan not interfering for the reason that they may prove useful to her at a later stage of the campaigu, probably when the Japanese make an attempt to bottle up the Russian squadron at that port.

The State Department has informed the New York Presbyterian Society, as well as the Baptists, that Minister Allen, in Korca, has been instructed to do all can for the American missionaries in that country.

The Russian Ambassador at London is presented King Edward with a letter from the Czar acknowledging receipt of the King's letter emphasizing Great Britain's complete neutrality during the

United States Minister Thomas and Mrs. Thomas gave a brilliant ball in the apartments of the American Legation at

American marines are guarding prop-ty of the American Mining Company

n Korea. carred there in 30 years.

The French Foreign Office does not edit reports that China is about to join for coaling stations.

The Russians are making every effort to prevent a blockade on the Siberian Guay, the fathers, were absent, working

King Edward has approved the selec-tion of the Hon. Charles Hardinge, as-sistant under secretary for foreign affairs, to succeed Sir Charles Scott as British ambassador at St. Petersburg.

The Russian forces at Anju, Korea, are compelling the Koreans to supply them with rice, fodder and fuel, and they are fortifying Antung to prevent the Jap-anese from crossing the Yalu River.

The Russian Government is showing a tendency to check the Anti-American feeling in that country.

Orders were issued to dispatch 20,000 troops to reinforce the British garrison at Malta.

MANY PERISH IN FLAMES

Indian Territory Settlers Are Caught By Prairie Fires.

A WIDE SECTION LAID IN WASTE.

Six Deaths Definitely Reported and Many Others Rumored Town of Hodart Suffered One Thousand Fire-fighters Saved Lawton from Des ruction Three Thousand Square Miles Devastated Losses in Kansas.

Lawton, Ok., (Special).-Reports reeived here indicate that five persons have been burned to death and 3,000 square miles of territory in Kiowa and Comanche counties swept by prairie fires. Hundreds of people are homeless, and it is impossible to estimate accurately the financial loss, owing to the wide extent of country affected. Lives have also been lost by fires in other sections.

Following is a partial list of the killed and injured.

D. Harmond, living six miles north east of Lawton, burned to a crisp. John Harmond; cannot live. A. N. Crawford, near Lawton; seri

Mrs Henderson, widow, living near

Lawton, and two daughters; seriously burned; one cannot live. At Hobart, the county seat of Kiowa ounty, the fire approached from the east, destroying the stables and 15 race borses, 15 residences, two business houses and various small buildings. Spreading to the southwest, the fire swept 75,000 acres of government mili-tary and timber reserve and Indian school reserve, destroying several Indian houses and 40 head of government cattle Spreading westward the flames covered miles of the Homestead district, destroying houses, barns and stock. It was in this district that five persons are report A consolidation has been formed of the car-service associations of Pittsburg, The names of three have been learned. They are as

> Doe and John Harmon, brothers, and man named Fischer. The other two were women and their

names have not yet been learned.

Late at night the fire began moving ersity of Chicago.

Dominick Anteilo killed Miss Nellie night 5,000 people of the city were bat Flanagan in New York and then shot tling with the approaching flames. The himself. miles in length, and came in a semi-

A thousand men turned their efforts to checking the grass borders of the reservation at the city limits. Water from every source, carried in every conceivable way, was distributed along this line and carried all around the city limits. This served the purpose of checking the advance lines of the fire, but was collasses importing concern in Boston, of little avail in hindering the continual rolling of the firebrands into the streets

Salina, Kan...-Report of many serious prairie fires, aided by the high winds, in this section and west of here are coming in. At Hill city, in the extreme north-western part of the state, the court house, jail and 50 residences are remuch property destroyed by prairie fires ported destroyed, and one woman said to have been burned to death. stances of farmers being caught with their teams in the prairie fires and of many persons seriously burned are num-

COLLAPSE OF A SKYSCRAPER. Between Thirty and Forty Killed, Injured and

Missing. New York, (Special).-Five persons are known to have been killed, about a score injured, and eight or ten, all of Columbia whom are believed to be dead, are mis-A warrant charging Wallace H. Ham sing through the collapse of the steel

all of its preliminary surveys for a new line to Eureka, Humbolt county.

as the eleventh floor, and the structure engaging in other buisness, so that carries may earry articles authorized by Dr. Charles B. Pillsbury, a brother in and laborers, when, without an instant's law not authorized to be accepted for and shook all the buildings in the vicinity.

A portion of the steel frame fell upon the rear of the Hotel Patterson, on West Forty-seventh street, crushing in wall of the dining-room and killing Mrs. Ella Lacey Storrs, the wife of Frank Storrs, a wealthy resident, of Ryc. Westchester county, as she was sitting at luncheon with the wife of the Rev. Dr. Minot Savage, who escaped unhurt.

TWO KILLED IN RACE RIOT.

Negroes Resist An Attempt to Drive Them Out of Town.

Fort Smith, Ark., (Special).-Two white man and two negroes seriously wounded in a race riot at Bokashe, I. T.

White laborers on the Midland Valley railroad, at a camp a short distance from Bokashe, attempted to drive the negro laborers from the town. The negroes resisted and a pitched battle followed, in which Hopper and Butler were killed and three others wounded.

Negroes are reported to have fortified themselves in a strong position in the woods and seem determined to resist to utmost efforts to dislodge them. White laborers are making wild threats

A Mill Operative Scalped.

Covington, Ga., (Special). - Mrs. J. W. Worsham, wife of the superintendent of the Covington Cotton Mills, suffered from a distressing accident, as the result of which she may die. While in the sement of the mill her hair was caught in the belting of moving machinery and she was scalped, the skin and hair being torn from her nose to the back of her

Twelve Lives Lost in Fire.

Roberval, Quebec, (Special).-Twelve Lima, Peru, was seriously shaken up lives were lost in a fire which destroyed by an earthquake, the worst that has octube home of Thomas Guay at St. Felicien. When the fire was first noticed by neighbors, who live at some distance, the house had been burned to ground. In it Japan in the war. It is also announced house had been burned to ground. In it by French officials that they have not at the time were the eight small children en asked to cede any islands to Russia of Thomas Guay, Mrs. Phillip Gagnon, and her three small children. All were burned to death. Both Gagnon and in the woods.

A Western Gibralter.

Seattle, Wash., (Special).-England is hurrying supplies, guns and ships to Victoria and plans to make the capital also shot Arthur Wiecker, a clerk. of British Columbia a western Gibraltar. These preparations for defense have been long in progress, but it is only since the war in the Orient began, with the possibility that England may become involved, that the work has been pushed with energy. It is generally known that the squadron is to be enlarged greatly by vessels now rounding Cape Horn, and immense pieces of ordnance at s on the way from Woolwich.

KIDNAPPED BY BRIGANDS.

Texas Railroad Man Held By Mexicans for Ransom.

Houston, Texas. (Special). - Daniel Cushing, brother of E. B. Cushing, engineer of maintenance of way for the Southern Pacific Railroad, has been kidnappped by Mexican brigands. He was forced to write a note, which was found tacked to the door of his cabin at Devil's river the next morning.

E. B. Cushing left on a special train for the border to investigate. The Texas Rangers have been put on the case.

The note written by Cushing at the brigands' dictation stated that a ransom of \$10,000 was demanded for his life and that the money must be placed upon the steps of the Mexican schoolhouse in Del Rio next Tuesday night

Cushing's watch and Masonic pin were found where he had evidently hastily thrown them in the belief that his assail ants were robbers

LIVE WASHINGTON AFFAIRS

No American Slave Dealers in the Philippines. was read, presented the two new facts upon which the minister of justice, M

Funds for Panama Canal.

Secretary Shaw has notified all specia national bank depositaries that they will be required to pay, on account of the Panama Canal purchase, 20 per cent, of their holdings of government funds on or before March 25. The 20 per cent. ag-gregates \$30,000,000, leaving about \$20. 000,000 to be supplied from the Treasury It has been decided heretofore the depositary national banks in New York city pay their individual proportions over to the New York Subtreasury at once to meet at this time the payment due Panama, and later to pay the new canal company at Paris the \$40,000,000 due it by calls on national bank depositaries outside New York city. In view, however, of news received from Paris later in the day to the effect that the French company at once would call a meeting of its directors and carry out the formalities necessary to the transfer of the title to the property to the United States it was thought best to make the two payments to the canal company and to the Republic of Panama concurrently about April 1.

Laid on the Table. The House Committee on Postoffice and Post Roads unanimously agreed to report the Hay resolution calling for information relative to the use of 'influ-ence' by members of the House in behalf of increases in salaries of postmas-ters, increases of clerk hire, etc., to the House with the recommendation that it "lay on the table." The resolution will "lay on the table." The resolution will be accompanied by all the information on this subject which the committee has been able to secure, including confiden-thal exhibits in the Bristow report of the poetal investigation and other informa-tion. This will be printed and made public and, as it meets the demands of the resolution, the order to "lay on the table" will not be opposed. The report is to be made Monday.

Department Appropriation Bill.

In-with islative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation Bill reached makes the total car ried in that measure \$28,556,913. conferces agree on provisions declaring that no money appropriated in the bill shall be available to pay any persons in the public service incapacitated permanently from performing service and limiting the use of carriages at government expense to those used by the President, his secretary and the heads of executive departments in the District of

Rights of Rural Carriers. with the embezzlement of \$34,000 from the funds of St. Luke's Home was is story apartment house in course of creetion at 57 West Forty-sixth street. The House prohibiting rural carriers from the funds of St. Luke's Home was is story apartment house in course of creetion at 57 West Forty-sixth street. The House prohibiting rural carriers from the funds of St. Luke's Home was is street as for the funds of St. Luke's Home was is story apartment house in course of creetion at 57 West Forty-sixth street. with a crash that was heard for blocks, periodicals upon which one rate of post-

age has been paid.

Wants \$8,000 to Unveil Statue. Secretary Shaw transmitted to the House an estimate of \$8,000 from the War Department to defray the expense of dedicating the statue of Frederick the Great to be placed on the ground of the War College in Washington and unveiled October 20, 1904. It is stated that the money is to be used for pedestal, reviewing stands, rent of carriages for distinguished personages, printing invitations

Obscene Literature in Commerce. The Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce ordered a favorable report on white men are reported killed and one a bill making the act preventing inter-white man and two negroes seriously state transportation of obscene literature applicable to foreign commerce and all territory under the jurisdiction of the

Congressional and Departments.

Judge Pritchard overruled the motion for a new trial made in behalf of Samuel A. Groff, one of the convicted defend-ants in the postoffice cases, and sentenced him to two years in the Mounds ville Penitentlary and to a fine of \$10.

00. An appeal was taken.

A provision forbidding rural lettercarriers from eking out their salaries in outside work has been added to the Postoffice appropriation Bill reported to the House yesterday. There is strong opposition to the provision in the Senate The Navy Department has made arrangements for the trial of several wire less telegraph systems between the New York Navy Yard and the station at Navesink, Highlands, N. J.

The minority report of the House committee urged a complete investigation of the affairs of the Postoffice De-

M. Bunan Varilla, the retiring Panam inister, paid a farewell call at the

State Department. Henry T. Reed, of Cresco, In., was selected by the Iowa delegation to be recommended for United States district judge for the Northern district of Iowa. issued carly in the week, is expected to show a decrease in net earnings of be-It is generally admitted that Senator Fairbanks is a candidate for vice presi-dent on the ticket with Roosevelt. Argument was made before the House

committee on Labor in opposition to the

Eight-hour Bill. to banks \$756,000 on telegraphi orders The Army Appropriation Bill as reported to the Senate carries \$77,620,942. yen at San Francisco. William J. O'Brien, alias William Okla., has been dissoved, owing to the inability of the promoter to supply suf-Duffy, an insane discharged soldier, shot and seriously injured Robert J. Manning. a messenger in the War Department, and ficient capital to run the bank.

The Interior Department rejected the bids submitted by the Portland cement manufacturers, and decided to manufacture cement for the Salt River irrigation project in Arizona.

Postmaster Payne admitted that it had

been decided to reopen the case of Post-master Vancott, of New York city, in order to secure further information. Hazing at West Point Military Academy is a thing of the past, according the report of Superintendent Mills.

FACTS FAVOR DREYFUS

To Protect a Colored Man in Jail at Meri-Reasons Advanced for a Revision of

His Trial. OFFICIAL RECORDS ARE FORGED.

-- Traitor in the French War Office Revealed

.- Hearing on Appeal Before Court of Cassa-

Paris, (By Cable). - The Court of Cassa-

tion began the consideration of the ap-

peal of Alfred Dreyfus for revision of

Councillor Chambareaud presided.

Though the general interest in the case

was not as great as in previous years.

yet the courtroom was crowded with

officers, non-commissioned officers and

recommended a revision of the These were set forth as follows:

an affidavit of October 6, 1903, signed by

appears that this document previously carried the letter 'T.' For this letter was

substituted a 'P,' and thus the altered document was presented to the court at

"2-According to the minister of jus-

tice, another letter, signed 'Alexandrine, which agent 'A' addressed to agent 'B,

contained some words in the handwriting

of the late Lieutenant Colonel Henry

terested, but there were no demonstra-tions against the favorable conclusions

E. F. ABELL DEAD.

pires-His Work for the "Sun."

died Sunday morning at his residence,

northeast corner of Charles and Preston

nent residential sections of the city. Mr. Abell was the eldest of 12 children, and

to even those of a later generation

filed sult in the Circuit Court against

Jas. Hargis, Alexander Hargis, Edward Caliahan and B. F. French for \$100,000

damages. She alleges in her petition that the defendants entered into a con-

spiracy with Curtis Jett and Thomas

Hold-Up in Massachusetts.

Lancaster, knocked one of the highway

men off the car and a fight followed

during which two shots were fired by

their escape. No one was seriously in

Assaulted By Boy Strikers.

one of the men employed by the West

ern Union Telegraph Company in place

of striking messenger boys, was attacked

by three young men, who knocked him

down and stabbed him. A watchman at

the Hamilton Club went to Tenney's aid

FINANCIAL.

The Eric statement for January, to be

Judge Gildersleeve has sigued the or-

The New York Subtreasury has paid

The Cherokee National Bank of Enid.

There are now living in the royal aqua

In Chicago it is believed that the Grea

known to be more than 600 years old

der authorizing the Boston & Montana to pay its dividends, amounting to over

and drove away the assailants.

tween \$700,000 and \$1,000,000.

\$3,000,000, to the Amalgamated

was badly cut in the face.

Chicago, (Special). -Edward Tenney

White are now in jail in Louisville

to murder her husband, the late

of the reporter and attorney general.

tion Attracts a Large Crowd.

his trial.

case:

partment

Meridian, Miss., (Special).-The killing of Postal Clerk Stockton has caused much excitement. After Paris, the alleged murderer, was placed in fail here a mob gathered, and, fearing a lynching, the Sheriff notified Governor Vardaman, who ordered out the local militia. Initial Altered on One Document and Another Dated While Dreyfus Was on Devils Island

Birmingham, Ala.—According to re-ports received here by the officials of the Alabama Great Southern Railroad, the shooting of two postal clerks on a northbound train two miles north of Meridian, Miss., was part of a plot to rob the train. The shooting was done by "Jim" Paris, a negro, who boarded the train in the

MILITIA CALLED OUT

dian, Mississippi.

Meridian yards as it was pulling out. Before it was under good readway Paris entered the postal car and opened fire on Clerks J. T. Stockton and A. J. Bass, killing Stockton instantly and wounding Bass in the arm. The negro then seized a -package of registered letters and jumped off.

private soldiers, lawyers and others and a number of women, among whom were RUSSIANS LEAVE YIN-KOW relatives of Dreyfus. By their side was former Colonel Picquart. Dreyfus was not present, his interests being in the hands of Lawyer Mornard. The report Unable to Defend the Coast Without of M. Boyer, reporter of the court, which

Forts and Intrenchments. Yin-kow, (By Cable).-The Russo-Chinese Bank is closing, preparatory to removing to Mukden. Women and children are preparing to leave Yin-kow in anticipation of the arrival of a Japanese "I-The secret documents include a letter bearing the initial 'P.' Now, by fleet, which is expected when the river opens, probably a fortnight hence. M. Gribelin, keeper of the archives, it

The United States gunboat Helena and the British cruiser Espiegele are making preparations to leave the drydocks in a week's time.

The mainmast of the Russian gunboat Sivoutch has been cut off; this would indicate that she is being dismantled, but otherwise she would appear to be clearing for action.

On account of the impossibility of de-

fending the coast at Yin-kow until such

time as a thaw permits the construction

of intrenchments and forts, the Russians

who committed suicide in prison, after having confessed to committing a forgery in the case. This letter relates to the organization of French railroads. M. have prepared to retire up the main rail-Gribelia swore during the inquiry of the road line minister of war that this letter was false. There are practically no defenses here, It was true, however, that the date of this document was March 28, 1895, when Dreyfus was imprisoned on Devil's at the mouth of the Liao River has the appearance of an intention to defend Yin-The existence of a traitor in the French kow, the military authorities depend upon an inland engagement to put a stop to war office was revealed by an alleged

foreign diplomat, who acted without compensation. It is now claimed that Lieutenant Colonel Henry in 1897 caused the Japanese advance. As far as is yet known, the only plans decided upon are, first, that Gen. Kuro-patkin's headquarters are to be at Mukbook of expenditures to be recopied in order to remove all trace of payments to den; Viceroy Alexieff proposes to remain at Mukden indefinitely, as that city is the center of the Chinese administration this diplomat, who, it has developed, was an employee of the intelligence deand has a vicerov bureau; second, that It was claimed by those present in the plan west of Tashihehiao, which court that if the new facts were acknowl-edged by the tribunal the innocence of almost impossible of defense, will be held, if possible, on account of the railroad con-necting with Port Arthur; third, Haiching Dreyfus would be established. Fearing disturbances during the proand Liao-yang are the extreme limits to which troops will be withdrawn on acceedings the government stationed guards among the spectators and in the corridors leading to the court, but their presence was not necessary. The crowd was incount of the exposure of the railroad at

That the Japanese will arrive before a thaw permits the construction of defenses is thought here to be practically certain. It would appear also that the authorities

expect Port Arthur to be besieged. Sir Robert Hart, director of Chinese imperial maritime customs, after sounding Russian opinion in the matter, has President of the A. S. Abell Company Exordered the Chinese customs lightship and the channel buoy to be placed at the Baltimore, Md., (Special). -- Edwin river mouth as usual. This step, how-ever, has no effect upon the neutraliza-Franklin Abell, president of the A. S. Abell Company, publishers of The Sun. tion of Niuchwang

MUST HAVE CLEAD TITLE

streets, in his sixty-fourth year. Mr. Abell was also a director of the Safe De-No Money Will Be Pald to Panama Until posit and Trust Company.
On May 15, 1840, Mr. Abell was born Then. Washington, (Special). - Important in this city on Lee street, near Charles, which at that time was one of the promi-

matters relating to the Panama Canal were under discussion by President Roosevelt and his Cabinet. The meeting with him passes away the last of the sons of the late A. S. Abell, the founder consumed more than two hours, and at of The Sun.
Mr. Abell was educated in the public its conclusion the members of the Cabinet were unusually reticent. Attorney General Knox and other offi-

schools in Baltimore and also in Harford county, near Jerusalem Mills, later going to Dalrymple's old University of Mary-land, on the south side of Mulberry St. cials of the Department of Justice have under consideration the title to the canal in what is now the bed of Cathedral property which is to be passed to this street, which has since been cut through country by the Panama Canal Company, but as yet they have reached no concluto Saratoga street. Many of the most prominent men of Baltimore were edusion. It was said after the meeting that cated at this school, and the name of cated at this school, and the name of no money would be paid by this govern"Old Dal's" is familiar by reputation ment until a clear title to the property was obtainable, but no intimation was given as to the length of time which might clapse before a decision was Winchester, Ky., (Special) Mrs. Arareached. bella Marcum, for herself and children,

The entire subject of the canal and its construction was discussed in addition to the legal phases of the question. It is expected that the commission just ap-pointed will get to work practically im-mediately. It is said to be certain that the commission will go to the isthmus-very soon to inspect thoroughly the conditions and to start the preliminary work of construction.

J. B. Marcum. Callahan was formerly Sheriff of Breathit county. Jett and In this connection it was decided, as heretofore indicated might be the case, to countermand the orders issued to the Third United States Infantry to go to the Clinton, Mass., (Special). - Two masked isthmus to relieve the marines now on men held up an electric car on the guard duty there. For sometime the Worcester Consolidated Railway, at guard on the isthmus. This government South Lancaster. The men were armed is opposed to establishing two jurisdic-tions on the isthmus, and as the naval vessels must remain there it was thought and the 20 passengers in the car were much freightened. H. L. Sauler, of best to allow the marines to continue to the strangers. The highwaymen made

It is the earnest wish of the President end the members of the Cabinet that no unnecessary delay should occur in the beginning of work on the canal, and it is their intention to press it with the ut-

Reyes Defeated.

Bogota, Colombia, (By Cable).—The result of the presidential election is that though Gen. Joaquin Velez has a majority of 11 votes over Gen. Raphael Reyes, the fact must be officially declared by the electoral committee on July 3 next. Complete calm prevails here.

\$75,000 For Liquor Setting.

Dallas, Texas, (Special).-The grand jury of Bell county is making a crusade against violations of the Local Option law. More than 2,300 indictments have been returned against illicit liquor sellers, and of the total number 1,147 bills are against one man, Plimpton Morgan. In each conviction Morgan is being assessed money penalties amounting to \$65, mak-ing the total penalties at proximate \$75, 000. In addition to the fines his cumulaagainst the deposit of imported Japanese | tive sentences reach a total of more than 63 years' imprisonment

A Desperate Fight.

Winterset, Ia., (Special). - After a terrible right in which pistols and knives were used. John Thornborough, a young um, in Russia, several carp that are married man living near here, that and instantly killed Fred Peacock, and per-Western new cuts are the spreading of haps fatally wounded Peacock's father, hap fatally wounded Peacock's father, a man 60 years of age. Thornborough is terribly gashed about the neck aniface, but will recover. He is in jail on a charge of murder. The fight grew out of an effort upon the part of Thornborough to induce his wife, from whom he had separated, to leave the Peacock house and accompany him. grain rate war to general merchandiss and that a big traffic war is impending. A meeting of Western lines has been called to consider the situation. Great Northern has closed a deal for renewal of the lease of the Sioux City terminals, and has secured an option at

THE KEYSTONE STATE

Latest News of Pennsylvania Told in Short Order.

Denny Hall, the largest recitation building of Dickinson College, Carlisle, was destroyed by fire.

State Councilor George W. Arold, of he loyalist wing of the Junior Order of American Mechanics, has filed a bill of complaint against George Shiffler, Emoire, Inland City, Conestoga and Lau-aster Councils, of Lancaster, also the Mountville Council, Columbia, and Shaff ouncil. It is alleged that these counsils have failed to pay their per capita ax and this action was taken to compel them to pay. A hearing will be hid be-fore the Judiciary Committee, on March in Philadelphia. This is another feature of the order's troubles and as Lancasier is a storm center, the outcome will be of much interest.

At a special meeting of both branches of the Chester (i.y Council a resolution was passed asking that the Secretary of the Navy give the name of Chester to one of the new scout cruisers which the Government will construct. Congressman Thomas S. Butler was present, as were all of the city officials. The Secretary of the Navy recently informed the Congressman that he would name a vessel in the navy after the city of Chester. It was in Chester that the first ships of the present navy were constructed

Norris Woodland, one of the oldest enductors on the Philadelphia & Reading Railway, by an accident nearly caused the death of hinself and family. He went into the cellar to attend the heater. He turned on the gas, intending to light it, but not having a match left without shutting off the flow of gas. At midnight h's wife aroused Lim. A strong odor of gas filled the house. Then he remembered his oversight but not until the children were so overcome that the attendance of a physician was

Director of Public Works E. M. Bige-low, of Pittsburg, announced that H. C. Frick has planned to build a magnificent hotel in the downtown district. The hotel is to occuppy the entire block front-ing on Grant Street between Fifth and Sixth Avenues, and will be one of the most splendid hostelries in the world, a companion structure to the Frick office building in the adjoining block. The cost of the site alone runs into millions, part of it having been occupied by the Roman Catholic Cathedral, which is being razed.

George Baltuwicz shot and probably fatally injured his wife at Shenandoah. Baltuwicz was out drinking and before he went home purchased a revolver. Reaching his home he found his wife in bed with her two youngest children. Without a word ie slot her five times. Fortunately the children escaped injury The man was arrested.

Brass thieve:, who removed a number of cocks off a gas pipe in a vacant house adjoining the property at 2723 West Second Street, Chester, came near being responsible for the death of Mary Deicoski, the owner of a Polish boarding house, and had not neighbors found her in Fine she would have been suffocated in ten minutes. After the removal of the cocks the gas began to escape from the pipes in large quantities and soon it had worked through the floors to the room in which the Polish woman was preparing break-fast. She was overcome in a short time and fell unconscious to the floor. She was revived by neighbors.

Albert Schneck has found aluminum on his farm along the Jordan Creek, between Schnecksville and Weidersville After a small freshet last week Mr. Schneck found a piece of mineral along the creek which was unlike anything he had ever seen. He then drilled a hole about ten feet and sent the mineral to the chemical department of Lehigh University. Mr. Schneck received an answer that the analysis showed the rock to con tain 43 per cent. of aluminum and ce-ment. While aluminum is known to exist in this section, Mr. Schneck's speci-

The County Commissioners held a con-ference at Norristown with State Senator Roberts and Assemblyman Rex, who took exceptions to the action of the commissioners in deciding to build two miles of good roads in Moreland Township and a like length in Worcester. State Com-missioner of Good Roads Joseph Hunter was present. Senator Roberts urged the commissioners to reconsider their action and distribute as much good roads over the county as possible, that the present limited appropriation is but the begin-ning of better things and is intended as a demonstration for modern stone roads, and sample roads should be spread over an extensive and as widely separated an area as possible. The Senator suggested

was taken. A safe in John A. Bowman's place of business at Minersville, was blown open and rifled. The post office and the busi-ness place of George Ball were also

trying to rob the place, he threw a light ed lamp at the woman's head. One of a nest of three boilers exploded at the Latimer Stripping scalding seven men. The engineer, Frank Dougherty,

was thrown about seventy-five feet, but escaped with a few slight burns. William Faust was shot and killed at Curry Hill, and the authorities are not yet certain whether it is suicide or murder. He was found in his room with an empty

Assemblyman Henry G. Troxell saved the life of George Byer, at Williamsport, who, while attempting to board a rapid ly moving freight train, was thrown and would have rolled under the wheels had not Mr Troxell pulled him out of danger

accused of selling boxes of cigars bearing counterfeit labels of the cigar makers union, appeared before Justice Lilly, of McSherrystown, and each gave bail for appearance in the Adams County Court. While wrestling with a companion over the possession of a piece of pie at the Eddystone Print Works, Chester,

Andrew Evans, a miner, aged 47 years, was stabled to death by Mrs. Thomas Ploff at the mines of the Lilly Coal Company, two miles south of Lilly. Jast what caused the fracascannot be learned, but it is said that Evans insulted Mrs. Ploff, and thereupon she picked up a huge carving knife and sunk it into Evan's body. The verdict of the jury empaneled by Coroner Miller held the woman and her husband for the crime.

The new organ erected in the First Reformed Church, Hamburg at a cost of \$3200, was used for the first time at the Sunday services. Andrew Carnegie con-tributed \$1000 to the fund.

men is the first to contain a sufficient amount of the metal to make it valuable.

that one mile be built in Upper Merion, one mile in Upper Providence. No action

A negro entered the store of Mrs. Gallagher in Chester, and when discovered

shotgun near him.

H. L. Haines, Fred Holzinger and N. Y. Meads, Red Lion eigar manufacturers

Roy Bedwell, aged 14 years, fell into a vat in the bleach house and was scalded about the face, head and body. The lad was pulled out of the hot water and sent to the Chester Hospital, where the physi cians fear he may not recover.