## BALFOUR BEATEN CHURCHILL WINS

Former Premier of Great Britian Downed By An Obscure Lawyer.

# SOME LARGE GAINS BY THE LIBERALS.

Winston Churchill Wins in Another Division of Manchester-The Liberals Gain 18 Sents in Elections Hold in 39 Constituencles in Important Centers-Laborites Secure Four New Seats.

London (By Cable).-Former Premier Balfour was beaten for re-election in Manchester, his opponent, an obscure lawyer named Horridge, turning a conservative plurality of 1980 into a liberal of 2453.

Winston Churchill, running in a conservative district, was elected by a plurality of 1241, turning over a tory district majority of 1471.

The outcome was the most astonish-ing ever known in England. The defeat the tories has been overwhelming and the liberal victory correspondingly extraordinary. As the great liberal success is bound to have a mighty influence on the other elections to be held in the next few days, the indications are that the liberals will sweep the entire country and probably have a good working ma-jority in the House of Commons.

The scope of the liberal victory is well

illustrated in the returns. In the thirtyfive constituencies representing seats in Parliament the liberals have captured thirty-four seats and the tories six. Formerly the conservatives held twentyteen, a clear gain of twenty votes in the House for the liberals.
Six of the thirty-four candidates elect-

ed by the liberals are labor candidates. Their success indicates that the labor candidates in various constituencies must be given consideration in the future elections, and they will probably be a force to be reckoned with in the House. It has been the aim of the labor leaders to hold the balance of power in the next House, and while it is still too early to predict the ultimate composition of that body, the success of the party has en-couraged the leaders to believe they will

Saturday's elections have given a heavy blow to Mr. Chamberlain's fiscal policy program. The voters have spoken in no uncertain tone on the subject of protection, showing in the enormous majori-ties given the liberal candidates their

favor for free trade. Lancashire, according to the returns, has gone solid for free trade, and Yorkshire is following its lead. In the two elections held in London likewise the voters spoke their preference for free trade. The liberals carried both elec-One seat they formerly held, but there the majority leaped apward, and in the second division, a conservative stronghold, the liberal candidate was suc-

### SLASHED, CAN SEE AGAIN.

### Remarkable Recovery of Sight After Cutting Affray.

Paris, Ky. (Special). - One of the most remarkable cases of sight being restored as a result of an accident occurred

Leslie Combs in a fight on a Paris-Lexington interurban car with an uni-dentified man was badly cut. He had been totally blind in one eye for several years, and in the fight was slashed across the face several times, part of his peals of Ohio.

Hose being cut off. There was also a The Italian government, deep cut down the forehead and across Italians in this country and Americans the cyclid, the cycball also being slightly pierced. Saturday the swelling in
Comb's face had subsided sufficiently to
admit of his opening the lid of the inN. J.

Local physicians attribute the recovery of his sight to the fact that some nerve in the eyeball which had caused blindness was severed.

## Broke Leg in Crossing It.

Jeffersonville, Ind., (Special).-Joseph B. Spahr, Treasurer-elect of this city, was the victim of a curious accident at his home on Maple and Watts Street. Mr. Spahr has been slightly lame for some time, though he has had free use of his legs. While sitting in his home, he suddenly crossed his legs, when the bones just below the hip snapped short Medical aid was summoned and the injured man's condition was pronounced critical. The surgeons decided amputation was necessary if Mr. Spahr's his was to be spared.

## Woman Bank President.

Indianapolis, (Special),-Miss Kath years of faithful service as an employe of the La Grange National Bank, which she has risen step by step, has been elected president of that institution, and has the distinction of being the youngest, if not the only, woman to occupy such a position in the West. The election came to her as a compliment to her ability as a financier and a reward for her long service.

## The Work of Safe-Crackers

Passaic, N. J., (Special).-The safe in Riker's gold leaf factory, at Delawanna, was blown open by burgiars. The safe contained valuable tools which Another safe contained \$500 worth of gold leaf, but it was not disturbed, as it is connected with a burglar alarm. The visit of the cracksmen was not discovered until late as the factory is closed for repairs.

## Killed in Powder Explosion.

Raleigh, N. C. (Special) .- J. M. Powers, a well-known railroad contractor, was killed by a powder explosion near Bushnell, N. C., where his force was engaged in blasting work of the Western North Carolina division of the Southern Railway. The deceased has made his home at Asheville, N. C., for some time, where his widow and family reside. He was well known in several cities in other states, where he lived be-fore coming to North Carolina.

## Dies at Feet of His Wife.

Newark, N. J. (Special)-In the presence of his wife and two of the smaller of his children, with the youngest of whom he had a moment before been playing with apparent joy and giving advice as to how they should keep them selves near, Frederick Wolfmuller, of 44 Stone Street, suddenly turned and put a bullet in his brain. He dropped dead at his wife's feet in the kitchen. Wolf-muller's deed was the culmination of a spree that extended from the beginning of the year.

# THE LATEST NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD. FRANCE BREAKS

DOMESTIC

It is alleged that C. Augustus Seton, arrested near Elkton in connection with the Norfolk and Western stock forgeries, recently had a sea yacht at his disposal, and that forgery and larcenty charges ag-gregating \$53,000 stand against him. John W. Hill, former chief of the fil-tration bureau in Philadelphia, upon be-

ng acquitted of forgery was surrou for an hour by congratulating friends. Educational circles in the West are dis

cussing the probability of President Roosevelt succeeding the late President Harper, of the University of Chicago.

A satchel containing \$3,150 was stolen from Leban Dennis in the National Banking Company's offices in Newark, N. J. No one saw the robber.

Forged stock on which several hund-red thousand dollars were loaned, has been found in the bank of L. W. Pryor of Cleveland, who committeed spicide Bryan has been created a datt in Mindanao and accorded high Filipi

The British government announced the text of the Anglo-Cuban Treaty pro-viding for "reciprocal freedom of commerce and navigation between the two tion to this extent has been received, the

itary right to slaughter cattle used for beef in Havana, Cuba.

A. H. Hanson, passenger traffic mana-ger of the Illinois Central Railroad, was elected chairman of the executive committee of the Western Passenger Association to succeed P. S. Eustis, passenger traffic manager of the Burlings of the

A fistic and legal encounter between relatives and friends of Miss Anne Kissam Hays, related to the Vanderbilts and who was a settlement-worker has been won by the brothers of the

Anton Nodat, formerly of Baltimore accidentally met his brother, Henri Nodat, after 30 years, separation on the French line pier in New York.

Rev. Dr. B. Brunning, of Pennsylvania, attacks Dr. William Osler's age

theories, and says ripe maturity is better

York city, was found dead in his room, of the Venezuelan executive, in Arkansas City, Kan.

The British cruiser squadron on the China station arrived at Manila and the Giffers and men are hard the president Castro has temporized with France, and it has been almost weekly

John G. Carlisle, grandson of the former secretary of the treasury, accident-ally shot himself at his home, in Mobile

Mr. Brackett reintroduced in the Nev

Mr. Brackett reintroduced in the New York Senate his resolution demanding the resignation of Senator Depew.

Private services over the body of President Harper, of the University of Chicago, were held at the family residence.

John A. Topping was elected president of the Republic Iron and Steel Company at a meeting in New York.

United States Judge Thompson, sitting in Cincinnati, ordered the sale of the

in Cincinnati, ordered the sale of the Appleyard traction lines. Mrs. Julia H. Simpson, wife of Dr. impson, charged with the murder of Simpson, charged with the murder of his father-in-law, testified at Northport, N. Y., that Simpson had wished her father dead and that he had asked her on that island. N. Y., that Simpson had wished her father dead and that he had asked her

not to hang him. A richly dressed and beautiful wom an of 20, unconscious and unknown, was left at the office of Dr. Thomas Acken, in New York, by two strange men in

evening dress. Cassie L. Chadwick has been Mrs. denied a new trial by the Court of Ap-

jured eye. To his intense surprise he was able to see as well as ever.

The trial of Benjamin D. Greene and John F. Gaynor, charged with conspiracy against the government, and who spent four years in exile in Canada, has

ovisions of the Chinese Exclusion are still in force and not effected by

George Gould and E. H. Harriman have rival gangs of workmen contesting for a strip of land at Oakland, Ca., needed for terminal facilities.

## FOREIGN

Many infernal machines addressed to Premier Witte and Minister of the Interior Durnovo have been intercepted in he St. Petersburg Postoffice. The Russian revolutionists and social-ists have planned to hold 80 big mass-

meetings in St. Petersburg to commemprate "Red Sunday." Gen. Ramon Teran, a leading Mexi-Indianapolis, (Special).—Miss Kath-arine Williams, of La Grange, after gle against the forces of Maximillan, diec

General Morales, the fugitive presi-dent of Samo Domingo, sought refuge at the American Legation, in Santo Domin-

Gen, Hernandez Ferbeb, military gov. ernor of Algeciras, died suddenly.

Prince Arthur of Connaught, attended by Admiral Sir Edward Seymour and the her members of the royal commission appointed by King Edward to presen the Order of the Garter to the Emperoof Japan, started from London for Tokic Forty men prominent in the learned professions of Germany have signed a declaration that they have never heard anyone credit their government with ar intention to make war against England There will be no opposition to the re-lection of Premier Sir Henry Campbell

Bannerman to the House of Common from the Sterling District. Nearly 350 persons were killed or i ured during an attack made by Co acks on the Armenian cemetery at Tifli The propitiary declarations of th German delegates to the Morocco confer nce indicate a desire to attain an equita

Three Spanish warships have been or dered to Algeciras, to remain there dur-ing the Morocco conference. The French bankers definitely decided

to make a short-time advance of \$50,000,000 to Russia at 550 per cent. A squadron of dragoons wiped out and of revolutionists near Hazenpot

ourland, Russia. Lady Warwick, the English courss," has taken a hand in the election

ampaign. Harry St. George Tucker, president of the Jamestown Exposition Company, has an audience with King Edward relative

o that enterprise. Soldiers bombarded houses in Tiflis, aucausia, from which bombs were brown at them. Many persons wer-

The Law and Order party of Russia thich claims to have 200,000 member met in St. Petersburg. It favors

WITH VENEZUELA

United States Officials Watching the Turn of Events.

MR. CASTRO OBDURATE AS EVER.

Admitted at Washington That the Relations Between the Venezuelan President and U. S. Minister Russell Are Not What They Should Be--France and United States Likely to Act Together.

Washington (Special) .- The serious ness of the Venezuelan situation with regard to both the relations between Venezuela und the United States and between Venezuela and France is increasing with great rapidity.

All diplomatic relations between Ven ezuela and France are broken, it is said at the State Department, and, although it is stated no formal or official informacountries" for 10 years.

Gourt, dismissed the suit brought against General Brooke by the Countess of Buena Vista to recover damages because the General abolished her beredbecause the General Brooke by the Countess of Buena Vista to recover damages because the General Brooke by the Countess of Buena Vista to recover damages because the General abolished her beredbeck by the General Brooke by the General Brooke by the Countess of the General Brooke by the Countess of the General Brooke by the General B

Venozuela agent at Paris.

The officials here are awaiting the trun of events with keen interest. Mr. Russell, the American minister at Caracas, has been instructed to take up the Critchfield asphalt claim, which has lain dormant for some months, and push it with the Venezuelan government, making every effort to secure a quick settle-

On top of these facts, news was re-ceived at the State Department that cable communication with Venezuela had been completely severed. Whether there is any significance to this cannot be determined. When the allied fleet, consisting of warships from Great Britain, Ger many and Italy, bombarded ports of Ven-ezuela four years ago, Castro interrupt-ed cable communication. He is now, by virtue of his action last fall, when he annulled the concession of the French than the enthusiasm of youth.

Elijah O. Parker, formerly connected and it is quite likely that the interwith the firm of Claffin & Co., New ruption is due to some action on the part

officers and men are being shown every reiterated that France was fast losing courtesy. eparing to take some sort of action

Although the present breach in the is technically chargeable against the per-sonality of M. Taigny, the French charge at Caracas, the real issue, as it is un-derstood here, is the attack by President Castro upon the properties and franchise of the French Cable Company. The President asserted that the cable comagainst the company on that score, and also complained that the company had violated the terms of its concession in not laying certain coast line of cable, and

The courts sustained the President's view and, in fact, pfactically took pos-session of the company's offices at certain points, when the French government in tervened. In the absence of the regular minister M. Taigny presented a written protest to the Venezuelan government.

## TONGUE GONE; ACTOR TALKS.

### Now Frederick Power is Learning to Sing After Operation.

Chicago (Special).-Frederick Power, actor and stage manager, who had his tongue cut from his mouth in an operation for cancer five weeks ago, is again able to talk so as to be understood. The begun in Savannah, Ga.

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals of Ohio has decided that the Mr. Powers' tongue and part of the root case is said by physicians to be a remarkable triumph for surgery. All of had to be removed in the operation. With his tongue gone, he is able to ariculate, uttering some words quite dis-

There is still some paralysis in Mr. Powers' lower lip, due to the operation, and there is a heavy gold bridge in his mouth. His jaw is still held in a heavy plaster cast, and when these impediments are removed it is believed he will be able to articulate fairly well.

## President Harper Dond.

Chicago, Ill. (Special).-William Rainey Harper, president of the University of Chicago, died at 2.17 P. M. Death occurred at the Harper home, Fifty-ninth Street and Lexington Avenue. It came at the conclusion of an illness of about a year from cancer. There were present at the bedside at the time of death members of the Harper family - Mrs. Harper and three sons-Paul, Samuel and Donald; Charles Scribner Eaton, a son-in-law, and Mrs. Gordon Douglas, of Pittsburg, sister of the dead man.

## Customs Districts Reorganization.

Washington, D. C. (Special).-Reorganization and consolidation of custom collection districts by the President was approved by the House Committee on Ways and Means, which decided to report favorably on the Payne bill. This measure gives the President entire cononly limitation being that not more than 120 collection districts shall be created.

# Wealth Founded on Lottery.

New York, (Special) .- "It may appear urprising, but I know for a positive fact hat some of the wealthiest families it New York, who are now mingling in high society, have accumulated their for-tunes through lottery," said Magistrate Cornell in Jefferson Market Court, when mile Heyman was accused by Rober McLelland, an agent of the Anti-vice Society, of violating the penal code He was arrested after selling two Mexi-can lottery tickets to McLelland for

Pennsy's Position Unchanged. Philadelphia (Special). - The atten on of a prominent official of the Penn Railroad having been called to dispatch from Pittsburg stating that the ompany would recede from its attitude ompany would recede from its aftitude in the pass question, positively and embatically denied that any such action was contemplated. He stated that there was no faltering in Mr. Cassatt's position, and that the order absolutely abolishing all forms of free transportation and free tickets, except to railroad officials and employes, is being caried out to the letter and will be enforced permanathy.

## LIVE WASHINGTON AFFAIRS.

Representative George A. Pearre, of Maryland, introduced in the House a bill which is believed to go to the core of the evil of contributions to political committees by national banks. It is amendatory of the national banking act, and provides for the appointment by the Comptroller of the Currency of persons to make an examination of the affairs of every banking association. These persons shall not be directors or other officers in any association whose affairs officers in any association whose affairs they shall be appointed to examine. Full power is given them to "make a thorough investigation into all the affairs of the association, especially including a thor-ough inquiry into the question as to whether or not said association or any of its officers have contributed any of the money, funds or securities or evidences of debt of or belonging to or held by said association for any political purpose," the examination to be held under oath.

The following question shall be asked by the investigators: "Has this bank of which you are an officer or have you as an officer of this bank, either directly or indirectly, contributed during the past year any of the funds, moneys, se-curities of evidences of debt of this bank to any political committee or to any per-son for political purposes?"

Mrs. Nerris Case in House. A sensational climax to nearly five hours of somewhat humdrum debate on he Philippine tariff came in the House Representatives when young Mr. heppard of Texas fiercely arraigned the President's subordinates for their con-duct in the recent Mrs. Morris episode at the White House. Messrs. Payne and Prosvenor both sought to prevent him, Mr. Payne on the ground that it was not germane to the bill before the committee and Mr. Grosvenor by a suggestion that the subject better comported with the dignity of a police court than that of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Sheppard's remarks were based upon his resolution looking to an investi-gation of the affair. He narrated what he termed the unwarrantable and un-necessary brutalities and barbarous treatment of Mrs. Morris, and declared that unless Congress took action we soon would witness a condition where citizens cannot approach the President without fear of bodily harm from arbitrary subordinates. The outrageous action toward Mrs. Morris, he said, was a distinct low-ering of the standards of American mangood and in violation of the sentiment of reverence for women.

### President a Red Man.

President Roosevelt was made an hon-orary member of the Improved Order of Red Men. The ceremony took place in the President's private office at the White House and was participated in and witnessed by many prominent members of the Order.

The national officers of the organiza-tion called at the White House to prepany had lent active assistance to the sent the President a beautifully engross-Matos rebellion. Therefore, he began proceedings in the Venezuelan courts national convention of the order at Nashville, Tenn., last September, commenda-tory of the President's efforts toward Russia. The testimonial was presented by Judge Robert T. Daniel, of Griffin, Ga., past great incohonee, in a laudatory address.

### Secretary Taft a Witness.

The Senate Committee on Inter-ceanic Canals held its initial meeting in the inquiry into Panama canal affairs. Secretary of War Taft, the first witness, was interrogated with a view to acquir-ing information needed as a guidance for an intelligent investigation. He gave a list of department chiefs and told somehing of the duties of each, so that the committee is now in possession of knowl-edge that is to be used in calling the proper witness to bring out whatever facts may be desired.

The meeting chiefly was for the pur- the fight. The rest fied. the investigation, and, therefore, the dis-cussion was held behind closed doors old public hearings.

## National Corporation Board.

Mr. Heyburn did not call up his pure-food bill in the Senate, as he had intended, but instead addressed himself bureau. He said this restriction would have the effect of confining insurance companies to the insurance business, and said this would prevent the use of the noney of the insurance companies for the purpose of speculation in Wall Street.

The Rivers and Harbors Committee of the House has called for a survey for 30-foot ship channel out of Philadel-

Secretary of the Treasury Shaw has assured the President that he will renain in office until March, 1907. The House declined to close debate

on the Philippine tariff, on which 37 addresses are yet to be made. Measures calling for \$40,000,000 for public buildings have been introduced in

The friends of Mrs. Lydia M. Thomson, detained by immigration authorities on the charge that she is insane, are mak-

ng a hard fight in her behalf.
President Pendleton, of the New York Maritime Exchange, made an argument before the House Committee against the

Compulsory Pilotage Bill.
In the Senate Mr. Hepburn denoueed Wall Street as a gambling club, with headquarters "up the Hudson." The sugar imports for the year 1905

exceeded those for any previous year. In the presence of a brilliant commedal of honor to Surgeon Church, of the Rough Riders, for an act of gal-antry during the Spanish-American war. Secretary Tait has written a letter to

President Roosevelt declaring Poultney Bigelow's charges against the Panama anal management to be untruthful and nalicious throughout. The House Committee on Railways and Canals decided on a favorable reort on the joint resolution for a commission to investigate the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal.

The Senate shelved the Morocco ques-tin and discussed the Pure Food and Subsidy Bills.

The subject of municipal beautifica-ion was discussed by the American In-titute of Architects.

The Senate Committee on Foreign Re-lations decided on a resolution providing for a complete investigation of Panama Canal and Railroad matters. The case against Binger Hermann for complicity in the land frauds will be tried during the latter part of March. After a spirited discussion lasting four jours the Senate decided to consider the Morocco question behind closed doors.

# A BILLION AND

FIFTY MILLION

What the War With Japan Cost

### FIERCE FIGHT ON THE RAILROAD.

Sixty-five Killed and One Hundred Wounded in the Conflict-Bridges Burned and Tracks Torn Up. The Train Carrying a Large Sum of Money ... The Czar's Title of Autocrat and Witte's Explanation of It.

St. Petersburg (By Cable).-The budget statement for 1906, which was just issued shows that it will be necessary to raise \$240,500,000 by credit operations to balance the estimated receipts and ex-penditures. The latter include \$202,500,ooo for the liquidation of the expenses of the Russo-Japanese War, the repariation of the troops in the Far East, and the reduction of the army to a peace footing. For the first time the total cost of the war (\$1,050,000,000) is revealed. The credit operations to balance to budget include the recent authorization

of \$200,000,000 in treasury bonds, \$75,000,000 of which has already been used to renew the Mendelssohn loan, and the credit of \$160,000,000 which former Finance Minister Kokovsoff is now nego-tiating in Paris. The primary object of the latter, the proceeds of which will be retained in Paris, is understood to be the maintenance of the stability of the

The budget statement does not dodge he prevailing conditions in Russia. It is pointed out specifically that the receipts from nearly all resources have been caled down, and, moreover, it is stated that, if the disorders in the interior do not cease there may be some branches of revenue on which it will be impossible

The budget also deals frankly with the heavy drain on the gold reserve of the state bank balances abroad, which have fallen \$152,500,000 in the three months preceding January 1. During the last 10 days of the year the gold reserve was reduced by \$30,500,000, while the issue of paper currency was increased by \$20,-000,000.

The increase of paper issued, the statement says, was made by the bank in an effort to come to the rescue of the business interests which were almost paralyzed, and which had been refused loans by private banks, owing to the panicky conditions and to the reduction of the foreign credits of houses with connec-

tions abroad,

In the budget statement it is announced that manifestos will be issued giving the nation the right to participate in the examination of future budgets. This, therefore, will be the last budget to be examined solely by the council of the empire without the co-operation of an elective assembly. It is further stated that the surplus for 1905 will be greater.

### No Quarter Was Given.

Mitau, Courland, (By Cable), - A squadron of dragoons, which was fin-bushed recently near Hazenpot, losing two men killed and four wounded, re-ceived reinforcements later and surrounded the Revolutionists. No quarter was given, and the Revolutionists, numbering 80 in all, were killed to the last man.

A band of 50 Revolutionists made a daring raid on Livenhoff, with the ob-ject of obtaining medicines and bandages for the Revolutionists in the field. They carried off two Jewish merchants, and held them for a heavy ransom, which was

paid. Warsaw, Russian Poland.-The troop have captured the iron works at Ostro-wiec, Government of Radom, which had been occupied by the Revolutionists as their headquarters. Many of the Revo-lutionists were killed or wounded during

# FAMILY WIPED OUT BY FIRE.

# although it is the present intention to Seven People Burned to Death in Their Beds

in Pennsylvania. Lewistown, Pa., (Special).-The most norrible of calamities that has occurred in Central Pennsylvania for many years took place 3 o'clock in the morning at to his bill creating a national board of the latter measure is one denying the use of the mails to insurance companies

Helasantville, Juniata County, about nine miles southwest of Port Royal. Seven persons (Isaac Saylor and his daughter, use of the mails to insurance companies

Mrs. Peter Martin, and her five childwhich are not indorsed by the proposed ren, Edna, aged 12; Earle, aged 10; Alice, aged nine; Stella, aged six, and Charles, a 10-month-old baby) were were burned to death in their beds, wiping out all the remaining members of the

Martin family. In the home of Isaac Saylor, an aged Civil War veteran, a wood fire had been built the afternoon previous. This set the chimney afire, but the blaze was quickly extinguished by the family. The house was an old-fashioned one, with a large chimney, and the supposition is that sparks lodged in crevices and smouldered there until the flames broke out in the morning, destroying the entire

The house was partially consumed when they escaped, and it is thought that the other occupants were either overcome by smoke or jumped down the blazing stairway in attempting to es-

## Big Blaze in Charlotte.

Charlotte, N. C. (Special).-The plant of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, near this city, was damaged \$125, 000 by fire. The blaze originated in the seedroom, and before the progress of the flames could be checked the seed-room, refinery and laboratory were totally consumed. The fire was gotten under control after three hours hard fight by the firemen. Its origin is unknown,

## Cruelty to a Child.

Aledo, Ill. (Special).-Upon evidence of having inflicted 200 wounds, Mrs. Mary L. McKinney, prominent society woman and church worker of Aledo, was found guilty of cruelty to 15-year-old Stella Grady, whom Mrs. McKinney had adopted. Sentence was deferred until Judge Graves hears argument on a moion for arrest of judgment. of the defense was insanity. During the trial testimony was adduced to show that Mrs. McKinney had repeatedly stabbed the child in the back with a fork and

### A Dangerous Gift. Mobile, Ala. (Special).-John G. Car-

isle, grandson of former Secretary of the Treasury John G. Carlisle, accidentally shot himself. The wound is serious, but it is not thought to be fatal. The revolver was a present from the boy's grandfather and was received from New York. Carlisle opened the package and was examining the weapon, when it was exidentally discharged. The bullet entered the abdomen near the left hip, struck the bone and lodged beneath the skin. An operation will be performed to remove the bullet. he Treasury John G. Carlisle, acciden-

# SOME LEAP FROM SEVENTH STORY.

### Seven Hundred Guests Panic-Stricken at Night.

Minneapolis, Minn. (Special) .- Eight persons lost their lives in a fire which urned out the fifth, sixth and seventh stories of the West Hotel, in this city. The blaze started in an unknown manner the packing room on the first floor Ascending the elevator shaft, it spread when it reached the fifth floor. Awak ened by the ringing of the alarm bells in their rooms, the guests, who num-bered in all about 700, rushed wildly

about seeking safety.

Those on the upper floors were driven back into their rooms by the smoke, which filled the hallways, and when the firemen arrived they were greeted by cries for assistance from scores of men and women, who, scantily clad, were shivering on the window ledges. Smoke was pouring our around them, and soon two men were compelled to leap to avoid the flames. Both were killed. One of them has been identified as J. B. Peisinger, a traveling salesman from New York, Miss M. E. Hodges, a guest sought a fire escape, but, having open-ed the wrong window on the seventh Hoor, she was driven to step off the ledge. Her body was horribly mangled. Death was instantaneous, Miss Gladys Mable, whose grand-mother Captain Berwin sacrificed his life

'A man took my grandmother and then another fireman came and got me. He had a long rope which he tied tightly about me under my arms and around my waist and let me down out of the front window. It was an awful sensation to be dangling in the air at the end of a line seven stories above the stone side walk. My rescuer finally let me down in safety on to the balcony of the hotel just above the first floor. From there it was an easy matter to get

Frank A. Chamberlain, president of the Security Bank, occupied, with his wife, rooms on the eighth floor. He and his wife were rescued by pompier lad-

John A. Hogerty, manager of "The Darling of the Gods" theatrical company, made a dash past the flames and smoke and escaped unharmed. T. K. Chaiton, of New York, was badly burned about the face and hands while crawling through a long hall. He finally reached safety by means of a fire-esacpe at the rear, more than a block from his

A score of guests on the top floor were compelled to use the department scaling ladders in effecting their escape from the burning building. The fire-men wound stout ropes around the bodies of the guests and assisted them in making their perilous descent in mid-air to the floor below. Judge Atwater, the oldest lawyer in

the state, was rescued by a male nurse, who carried him five floors through the smoke and water. Many other daring rescues were reported.

The West Hotel is one of the largest

### and finest hostelries in the country. THINGS WORTH REMEMBERING.

Joseph Nix, the Wesleyan reformer, took 3.845 singuatures to the pledge in a nine-day gospel temperance meeting in Bradford, England.

The clever eigar rollers of Seville have rivlas in the insect world. By the aid of its tiny feet the weevil rolls vine leaves into a cylindrical shape and hides itself The German city of Pforzheim has a population of 65,000, devoted almost ex-

clusively to the manufacture of jewelry, there being about 50 factories where it Bishop McCabe has delivered his great cture on "The Bright Side of Life in Libby Prison" 1,500 times and \$200,000 has been brought into the church treas-

Professor Moissan declared at the Paris Academy of Science that he had ucceeded in boiling copper at a temperature of 2,100 degrees by means of a powerful electric current

satch for them and give the alarm when danger approaches are operating in Ala-meda, Cal., with success. The police have a description of the dog. Several schools in Nevada have been compelled to close because the trustee have found it impossible to secure teach

Burglars who have a dog to keep

Almost as soon as they arrive and take charge they resign and marry. Two street pedlers in Branford, England, bought a horse for \$11.25. It was killed by a motor car one day and the owner of the car paid them \$115 for the

loss. Thereupon a new industry sprang up on the roads of England. The total food and raw material im ports of Germany from the United States were \$218,960,000 in 1900 and \$208,964,ooo in 1904. Expressed in percentages of the empire's total imports those from the United States were 90.1 in 1890 and Farmington, N. M., went there recently

93.2 in 1904. Cotton-mill workers and local farmers united with the Montreal Cotton Company in a request to the Canadian Tar-iff Commission for an increase of tariff duties. They desire 30 per cent, on white and fancy cottons, stripes, checks and b. ocades. Complaint was made that at the close of the season English manufac turers would cut prices and dump their

### goods on Canadian market. FINANCIAL DOINGS.

Canadian banks have been loaning early \$60,000,000 in Wall Street. Sogar imports amount to about an eighth of the total brought into this

Belmont is said to have agreed to purhase the Ryan interests in the Brooklyn Rapid Transit. A Philadelphia broker offered to walger \$1000 that Tonopah will reach \$30 a

fare this year. An extra dividend of one-half of 1 per ent, was declared by the Delaware insurance Company, in addition to the re-A year ago the Bank of England's

on a mo-The plea buring the as in America. In four years the Northern Securities Company collected just short of \$40,000,000 in dividends on railroad stocks

which it held.

The John I Blair estate is reported to have sold to Charles M. Schwab mining property in Nevada for \$750,000.

Production of anthracite and coke pig iron in 1905 amounted to 22,502,163 exceeding the previous banner year 1903, when 18,009,252 tons were produced, by

when 18,000,252 tons were produced, by more than 4,500,000 tons.

Recently a New York firm took a little fing in United Gas Improvement and made it turn a couple of points. This week Charles G. Gates is supposed to have bought a big block of Cambria, purely as a speculation. The real accumulation of stock has been relatively small.

## THE KEYSTONE STATE

The Latest Pennsylvania News Told in Short

The first suit instituted in Berks County under the "press muzzler" libel law, allowing action for "personal sufferlaw, allowing action for "personal suffering," was decided in favor of the defendent. Thomas D. Richards, a fish dealer, sued the Reading "Herald" for \$1000 damages for printing an account of his arrest on a charge of larceny. In his charge to the jury Judge Endlich declared that there is no libel in printing a plain statement of fact and during the trial he characterized as absurd, the Legisature to the contrary notwithstanding, an attempt to show that the publication resulted in physical suffering.

Judge Martin Bell is opposed to cur-ing dumb animals by Christian Science, "If I were a juryman I would certainly convict you," said he in court at Altoona convict you," said he in court at Altoona to James Househoulder, in a prosecution for cruelty. Householder, who is a Christian Science student, tried to cure a burned horse by prayers, and was thirteen months at the job.

Chester Leidy, aged 14, of Altoona, rescued Edna Wise, aged 8, from death. The ice on which they were skating collapsed and the girl was struggling in deep water when the boy swam to her rescue.

Ira Dunkelberger, a wealthy farmer of Hegins Township, and Miss Kate Hoy were amrried in court at Pottsville, Judge A.L. Shay officiating. The bride-groom is 56 years of age and the bride 30. They chose a marriage in court because of the originality of the idea.

McAdoo, the metropolis of the south of the coal regions, refuses longer to be made the butt of theatrical jokes. People of McAdoo say the town is as good as any other place, and they see no fun in the slurs cast by the devotees of the historic art. McAdoo people are among the best patrons of the local theaters, and if the local cheeners. and if the jokes about their town are not cut out they will no longer patronize any of the productions brought here, and in a very pointed letter have so in-formed the theatrical managers of this

The court restained the directors of Hanover Township School District, who are underindictment for aiding to defraud, from levying a school and build-ing tax of 5½ mills. It was shown that the money now available for schools is some \$42,000, which would allow \$40 a year for the teaching of each pupil. The courts declare this is too much, but as records, vouchers and duplicates of the district have been lost, mislaid or swept away by flood, the Court is unable to iscover whether this extravagant charge a justifiable one.

The State Armory Board has decided to locate an armory at Pottstown for Company A, Sixth Regiment, and one at Pittston for Companies H and C, of the Ninth Regiment. It is the intention to divide the divide the present appropriation of \$250, 000 among the three best brigades and do the best that can be done with the limited sum. Not more than \$20,000 will be expended for an infantry company nor more than \$30,000 for a cavalry or artillery company.

A protest will be made from all parts

of the authracite region, and especially Schuylkill County, against the new State law which provides that graves in cemetries shall be nine feet deep. In this part of the State there is a heavy strata beneath the surface. To reach the legal depth it is necessary to blast the rock, and this will endanger adjoining graves. The law in this vicinity is being disregarded. disregarded. Sextons contend that they could not dig a grave pine feet deep in time for an interment unless the bodies are kept beyond the usual period, and say that in frequent instances explosives would have been used to rend the rock.

It was learned in York that the Mcwhich has begun the preliminary work of constructing an immense dam and hydro-electro plant at McCall's Ferry on the Susquehanna River, will build a permanent toot and wagon bridge across the Susquehanna at a point known as the "Neck." The erection of the bridge is to facilitate the work of building the dam and power plant. It will be used for conveying material across the river and for the convenience of the workmen and engineers and after the completion of the

dam and power plant will be used as a public bridge. At a meeting of the directors of the Odd Fellows' Orphanage, held in Sunbury, it was decided to erect several new buildings next Spring. The following officers were elected: President, E. C. Warner Circadvilles first vice president. omeers were elected: President, E. C. Wagner, Girardville; first vice president, J. W. Stroh, Sunbury; second vice president, A. D. Hay, Lebanon; secretary, S. B. Hilliard, Watsontown; assistant secretary, H. I. Romig, Adamsburg; treasurer, Robert Davis, Mt. Carmel.

Lee B. Bechbill, manager of the Monongahela Smelting Works, was fatally burned by an explosion of a steam tank at the plant. Bechbill was enveloped in for several minutes and was frightfully scalded. George Plunkett, assistant manager, was also seriously scalded, but will recover.

At the meeting of the Lehigh Val-At the meeting of the Lehigh Valley Medical Association, these officers were elected: President, Dr. A. W. Hendricks; vice presidents, Drs. P. J. Kress and M. F. Cawley; recording secretary, Dr. J. Treichler Butz, coroner of Lehigh County; corresponding secretary, Dr. W. D. Kline; treasurer, Dr. A. J. Erdman; censors, Dr. H. H. Herbst, M. J. Blackenstoe, and W. B. Erdman; curator, Dr. C. J. Otto; reporter to State Society, Dr. W. A. Hausman; State delegate, Dr. C. D. Schaeffer.

Returning from work Wednesday evening, Herman Bronke, a foundry worker, of Allentown, stepped out of the way of one train directly in front of an-other and was instantly killed. Bronke was fifty years old and is survived by his invalid wife and three daughters.

Earle B. Douglass was succeeded Wednesday by J. G. Mustin as superintendent of the Allentown plant of the American Steel & Wire Company. The change follows closely upon the removal of William M. Douglass, his father, after a lifetime of service for the company, and is much regretted.

At a meeting of the Chamber of Com-merce of Allentown, a resolution was passed, urging action on the part of council for house to house sewerage.

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Snydertown, have elected the following
officers: President, E. C. Wagner, Girardville; first 'Ne president, J. W.
Stroh, Sunbury; second vice president,
A. E. Day, Wilkes-Barre; secretary, S.
B. Hilliard, Watsontown; assistant secretary, H. I. Romig, Beaver Springs;
treasurer, Robert Davis, Mt. Carmel.
The directors decided to begin the construction of new buildings planned at
former meetings.