A PLEA FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE CONGO

Address To The President and King Edward.

WANT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Memorial Adopted at the Conference of the Foreign Missions Board of Recognized This Duty.

Philadelphia (Special) -At a meeting of the conference of the foreign mission boards of the United States and Canada held in this city on Saturday it was unanimusly agreed to forward to President Roosevelt, the United States Senate and King Ed-ward an appeal on behalf of the stricken people of the Congo State. The appeal follows: "To the President and the Senate of

the United States and to Ilis Ma-jesty King Edward VII.:

The Conference of the Foreign Mission Boards of the United States and the Dominion of Canada would most respectfully and earnestly bring to you an appeal on behalf of the stricken people of the Congo State. We do this in the name of 40 mis-sionary organizations, whose work is prosecuted in all sections of the world, and we are persuaded that the petition interprets faithfully the sentiment of their constituency of upwards of 20,000,000 of Christian men We are not forgetful and women. that recognition has been given by governments to international both duty in relation to this unhappy people. It is a source of keen satisfac-tion to us that our governments are united in leadership in a work so closely affecting international honor. But we are reminded by the recurrence of our annual meeting that eeks and months are passing by while the heavy burden of wrong continues to rest with crushing weight upon the Congo people, and we recognize with profound regret that the first definite step toward just international action has not yet been taken.

The Evidence Convincing.

"We speak with deep conviction concerning this issue, because we are intimately associated with many residents of the Congo State, by whom the conditions to which we refer have been disclosed. We are constrained to accept their testimony. We know that the earth does not hold men of more sensitive honor or more self-sacrificing devotion. But you will not need to be reminded that other testimony than ours has been given to the character and the credibility of these witnesses. A commission selected by King Leopold himself has said of them and their fellow-missionaries in the Congo State that they constitute for the native the representative of equity and justice. Of their testimony, dreadful as it has been, the commission has declared that they found it to be 'supported by a multitude of wit-neuses' and 'established by a mass of ovidence and official reports,'

The request which we, like the great company of petitioners of both governments outside our consituency are urging, is obviously fair to all interests, since it asks only for such impartial action as shall give authoritative revelation of actual facts and insure correction of such wrongs as shall be disclosed. We submit that the simple issue thus presented involves a primary test of national and international honor, and that withholding of manifestation of this measure of international concern for these wards of the nations would leave upon all powers responsible for it a lasting reproach.

An International Duty. urge that would earnestly

Domestic After mourning each other as dead r more than 14 years, Rev. John Cull, formerly assistant pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church, of Oak-land, Cal., and his wife were re-

THE NEWS OF THE WEEK. HUNDREDS ARE LOST

nited in that city. Michael O'Neil, a Central New England Railroad conductor, though mortally injured in a wreck near Winsted, Ct., draged himself a mile and sent a message which saved a assenger train.

Judge English met by chance in Sheridan, Wyo., the wife from whom he had been divorced 30 years ago, made love to her and again won her. The Clyde Line freight steamer Onondage, from Boston for Charles-ton, is ashore upon Orlans Beach, Masachusetts coast.

A general corporation hunt has been instituted by the legislature of Nebraska, Kansas and South Dakota. The police of New York have been isked to look out for Frank S. Mor-on, a missing Boston violinist. Iu.

Pennsylvania Railroad shares fell off 4 points on the announcement of the plan to issue \$200,000,000 of new stock and bonds to complete mprovements.

Miss Sarah M. Harding, a wealthy young woman of Brooklyn, wao did not believe in medical science, refused to call a physician just before she died. New York jury has awarded

\$16,000 damages to Marion Davidson, a child who lost a limb by a street car passing over it

William Allen Smith, who succeeds Russell A. Alger in the United States Senate, once sold popcorn for a living.

The Vermont and Southern cotton mills, two large North Carolina plants, are reported in financial difficulties. A coal train of 48 cars ran away

on a steep incline near Hazieton. Pa Electric light wires caused a mil-lion-dollar blaze in Lancaster, Pa.

Charles McGlil, manager of the wrecked Ontario Bank of Toronto, was arrested on the charge of steal-ing \$136,000 from the bank's funds. The counsel for Harry K. Thaw may ask that the case be held outside New York City, alleging that

fair trial cannot be had in the William E. Church was hanged in Warrenton, Miss., for the murder of his foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Yeater, on August 30, 1903. The Licorice Paste Trust has been

found guilty of illegal combination and a monopoly, but the individual defendants have been acquitted. Heavy rains will cause a loss of thousands of dollars to mine owners

in the Ohio Valley, and over 1,000 miners are idle as a result. The Boston and Maine Railroad will raise \$3,000,000 for improve-

ments by issuing to a syndicate five per cent. one-year notes. The Pennsylvania Railroad Com-

pany proposes to issue \$100,000,000 additional capital stock and \$100,-000,000 in bords. John S. Harris, former cashler of the bank of Boss, Johnston & Co., at

Ashlanu, Mo., committed suicide. Emanuel Lehman, senior member of the firm of Lehman Bros., cotton brokers, of New York, died there.

The members of the Plumbers Trust in Ashtabula, O., were indicted by the grand jury.

roreign.

Charges that great quantities of umber produced in British Columbia has been diverted from the Canadian markets to San Francisco to be ship ped to Panama are to be investigated.

A plenary council of the French bishops to discuss the situation of the Catholic Church in France has been summoned to meet January 15 in Paris.

Seven ringleaders of the strikers Seven ringleaders of the strikers in the Orizaba District, Mex., were Savannah Fashionable Leader Dan-Committee on the Judiciary defeated

A Terrible Disaster in Dutch East Indies. THE ISLANDS SWEPT BY THE SEA. or appropriation bills, which "shall e on the same scale as those of the

Three Hundred People Perish on the Island of Tana and Forty More Are Swept to Their Death on Simalu-The Disaster Supposed to Have Fol-

lowed a Volcanic Disturbance. The Hague (By Cable) .- A tidal vave has devastated some of the Dutch East India Islands south of Achin. The loss is very great. According to a brief official dispatch 300 persons perished on the Island of Tana, while 40 are known to have een drowned at the Island of Sima-

The Dutch East Indies, a name given to the Dutch possessions in the Malay archipelago, has an area of 750,000 square miles and a popula-tion of about 35,000,000 scattered over the numerous islands and partie Many of the smaller Islands.

islands of the group are volcanic in their nature and tidal waves following cruptions have frequently caused large loss of life. A tidal wave swept about 30,000 to death from a group of the smallest of the islands in 1883. This disaster, like almost all others there, followed volcanic disturbances. It is probable that the disaster

Volwas due to the same cause. canic disturbances are reported from various parts of the world. Mount Mauna Loa in Hawali is in eruption, Vesuvius has recently been active, and Mount Actna has been belching forth smoke. These in a great measure may account for the seismic disturbances that were reported from

Europe. Many of the most fatal tidal waves of which there is record have been accompanied by earthquakes, adding to their horrors, but making it im possible to say whether the earth-quake or the inundation has been the more fatal and destructive. The great earthquake at Lisbon in 1755 was accompanied by a tidal wave which, rolling up the Tagus River

from the ocean, submerged all the lower parts of the city and destroyed thousands of lives which might possibly have escaped the earthquake shocks. When the earthquake came to Caracas in 1812 there was a tidal

wave at Laguayra, the entreport of Caracas, which destroyed many lives. In 1895 a series of tidal waves, accompanied by or alternating with earthquake shocks, visited some of

to 20 miles inland, being of such height, force and volume 10 miles was sentenced to lose 10 numbers in from the ocean, particularly when restricted to narrow valleys, as to be capable of destroying much life. The number of human lives lost at that time has never been stated in any English newspaper, but that it ran

ter retires on February 1, to befrom tidal waves; many thousands of her population have gone to death State of New York.

The last great tidal wave in this country was that along the Texas coast in 1960, when the city of Galveston was destroyed and hundreds of persons perished

Congress And The Departments.

IN A TIDAL WAVE Some Interesting Happenings Briefly

AT THE NATION'S CAPITAL

Army and Navy and other large ap-

propriations, being necessary to en-

with the other nations of the world.

of Illinois, who is ill, can return and participate in the committee's dis-

cussions of the projects for which ap-

Burton and his associates hold firmly

to their decision not to have any

hearings before the entire commit-

tee because of the shortness of the

Flaw In Federal Law.

under military laws.

Used Insulting Language.

A. F. Statter Gets Place.

Bank Commissioner

the United States to keep pace

Individual Defendants, However, Are River And Harbor Bill. Representative Morrell (Rep., Pa) introduced in the House a resolution providing for annual river and har

GOVERNMENT WINS GREAT VICTORY.

Acquitted.

THE LICORICE TRUST

Jury Finds That the J. S. Young Comp ny, of Baltimore, and the Mac-Andrews & Forbes Co. Formed an Illegal Combination and Monopoly, but Not a Campiracy.

The River and Harbor Bill proba-bly will be reported to the Hous this week. Chairman Burton, of the New York (Special) .- The jury House Rivers and Harbors Commit-tee, originally planned to lay the bill before the House on January 14, and it has not been definitely announced as against the individual defendants, Karl Jungbluth and Howard E. that the bill will not be reported on that day, but Mr. Burton is inclined Young, and a verdict of guilty as against the corporate interests, namely, the MacAndrews & Forbes to grant a few days of grace to the Hilinois members, who are anxious to Company and the J. S. Young Comhave the presentation of the bill de-layed until Representative Lorimer.

pany. Two corporations were found guilty on two counts, one of forming an illegal combination and the other of being a monopoly. The corporations were acquitted on the count charging conspiracy. Counsel, for the defense at

made motions for an arrest of judgment, and asked for a stay.

It was charged that although the government was nominally the prosecutor, the trial had its real incep-It is announced at the Department tion in the minds of the independent of Justice that the decision of the tobacco men of the country, who government to try by court-martial hoped, under the ramifications of the Sherman Anti-trust Law, to learn Corporal Knowles, who shot and serously wounded Captain Macklin, of the secrets of the Continental Tothe Twenty-fifth Infantry, at El Re-no, Okla., was occasioned by the disbacco Company. It was declared that there had been no proof of illegal combination on conspiracy or covery of a strange omission in the federal laws. There is no provision for trial in the federal courts for assault with a deadly weapon, alattempt to restrain or monopolize the licorice paste business. The evidence showed that the defendant had willingly furnished the indethough there is a law covering murder, when the offense is committed pendents with all the paste they needed to carry on their business. within the federal jurisdiction. There is a law providing that the commis-Attorney Nicoll also asked the jury sion of an offense which is not covto remember that the Continental ered by the federal statutes shall be Tobacco Company itself used 85 per punishable under the laws of the cent, of all the paste manufactured in this country. state within which the federal jurisdiction is located. In this case the

The only combination shown, Mr. jurisdiction was within a territory, not a state. Therefore, in order to Nicoll concluded, had been the at-tempt of the defendants to effect a situation that would give them the bring Corporal Knowles to justice, it was found necessary to try him control of the raw root market in the Orient, and to enable them to get a year's supply of raw root to protect them from being deprived of Information was received by the Navy Department of the court-marlicorice paste, so necessary in the conduct of their business. All men, tial in the Philippines of Passed As-sistant Paymaster Jere Maupin, U. he argued, had a right, under the law, to protect their business inter-

S. A. For using what the specifications allege to have been insulting ants had not done. Special Attorney General Taft, in the concluding argument for the government, said he regarded this and vile language toward Capt. Henry S. Hathaway, of the Army, in the as the most important case tried in this jurisdiction in many years. Mr. Taft denied that the independent manufacturers has instigated the prosecution. Not alone had an at-Reviewing this sentence, Rear Admiral Brownson, commander of the to monopolize the licorice tempt fleet, said: "It is regretted that a paste business been proved, he declared, but it had also been shown that an attempt had been made to majority of the court, consisting of officers of standing in the service, monopolize the sale of smoking and chewing tobacco by getting control of the raw product necessary to the production of those commodities. He read a letter introduced in evi-Arthur F. Statter of Walla Walla, dence to show the defendants knew their methods were in restraint of trade. The letter was written by Mr. Rau, one of the agents of the defendants.

Judge Hough, in charging the jury, declared that a general verdict of not guilty would mean that all of the of the defendants were not guilty of all the acts alleged in the indictment, and conversely, that a general verdict of guilty would mean that all of the defendants were guilty of all the acts charged. The court reviewed the evidence, dwelling particular ly upon the secretary with which the alleged combination was formed, and

Farmer Boy Weds Girl Of Wealth.

MOLTEN METAL RAINS ON MEN STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

IS FOUND GUILTY Twenty-Four Probably Cremated In Steel Mill.

> Pittsburg, Pa. (Special) .- One of the worst explosions in the history of the Jones & Laughlin Steel Works occurred about 7 o'clock at the Eliza Furnaces, when a large quantity of gas which had accumulated at the base of the furnace became ignited and exploded. Tons of molton meta were showered around the furnace for a radius of 40 feet. Out of a force of 35 men employed at the furnace when the explosion occurred

New York (Special).-The jury three of them-John Cramer, An-returned with a verdict of acquittal drew Featherko and Gustave Kess ler-have been taken to the morgue their bodies horribly mutilated by the fire; seven men are in hospitals fatally injured, and 24 others have

not been accounted for. While the mill officials are in lined to believe that all of the miss ing men were not cremated in the molten metal, nothing definite is known as to their present where abouts. Only one man, George Knox, he carned up since the ex-pletion, and Knox says everything happened so quick that he doubts whother the men escaped

Fire Lepartment Chief Peter Sny-der, of the Fourth District, was seriously injured while directing the firemen to extinguish the fire which followed the explosion. Snyder was stationed on a trestle 30 feet high when he slipped and fell to the ground, injuring himself internally Frenzied Women Fight Officers.

While responding to the alarm hose carriage was struck by a street car, seriously injuring two of the firemen and killing a borse. The windows of the street car were shat-tered and a panic followed among the passengers. Two women were injured by being trampled.

The scenes about the entrance to the mill were pathetic when the families of the victims learned of the disaster. Women, men and children gathered before the gate and made frantic efforts to gain admittance. Several of the frenzied women rushed upon the officers and

lought them, crying to be allowed to enter the mill and see their loved ones. Young children ran up down the streets crying that their father was dead. Later it became necessary to call additional police to forcibly escort the women and children to their homes.

The officials at the mills refused to allow anyone to enter the yard where the furnace is located. All information was refused to news-paper men, the officials saying that later they might issue a statement A heavy guard of foreign workmen were placed at the yard entrance and even the police were powerless

to get past the foreigners. George Knox, the only man believed to have escaped uninjured,

said: "It was awful. The furnace is one of the improved style, and 35 of us were working about, never thinking of an explosion. Suddenly there was a terrific roar, and im-mediately I started to run. Molten metal was thrown every place. Streams of it were running in all directions, and 1 was confronted with an awful death unless I could run faster than the metal could travel. Thank God, I reached a place of safety, and not a minute I don't know what hap too soon. pened to the other men. I did not see any of them following the ex-plosion. If they did not run quick

and fast are all buried under six feet of molten metal." Suicide By His Wife's Coffin.

Philadelphia (Special) .--- Alexander Johnson committed suicide here while kneeling beside the coffin in instructed the jury that if they found which his wife's body lay ready for that a single overt act alleged had burial. Johnson shot humanif is

Latest News Gleaned From Various Parts.

Commissioner Neil announced that the rate of wages paid to the miners for the month of January will be 6 per cent. above the basis. This is the same as the December rate.

Alvin G. Garber, son of Dr. M. B. Garber, of Ephrata, Lancaster County, died from convulsions, with which he had been afflicted for fourteen years. The boy, who was 16 years of age, suffered as many as a hundred convulsions daily, and his was a puzzle to many special-Case ists.

Directors of the Collegeville Na-tional Bank met and organized for the first year of business. A. D. Fetterolf was elected president; M. Linderman, vice president, and H. T. Hunsleker, secretary. W. D. Renninger is the cashier and A. T. Allebach, clerk. The other directors are B. F. Steiner, F. J. Clamer, W. P. Fenton, Dr. E. A. Krusen, E. S. Moser, Horace Piace, A. C. Landes, John U. Francis, Jr., Charles Q. Hillegass, John D. Frantz, I. T. Hal-

deman, I. S. Bucher. C. B. Rizott, an Italian silk worker, of Allentown, was arrested on a charge of using the United States mails to further a lottery scheme. He is now under \$5,000 ball.

G. H. B. English, supervisor of the division of the Peansylvania Railroad between Sunbury and Mt. Carmel, was awarded a prize of \$50 for having the division roadbed in the best condition in that part of the State.

The last will and testament of The last will and testament of George B. Woomer, lawyer, bank director and erstwhile politician, who died last week, was probated in the courthouse at Lebanon. The estate, valued at many thousands of dollars, is bequeathed to the tes-iator's wife and his mother. In case either or both fail to dispose of their share by will it shall at their death be divided between Har-vard University and Zion Latheran Church, that city. Thomas U. Black, a wealthy farm-

Thomas C. Black, a weatby in in-er, of Hanover Township, died in terrible agony from hydrophobia. He was bitten by a small dog last October and took ill on last Sunday. He raved and barked like a dog and attendants were forced to the him to his bed.

The Board of Prison Inspectors at its monthly meeting at Reading agreed to buy a wig for David Grim, a prisoner, whose term is expiring. He has a good record and has worked ever since his admission. Grim lost a fine head of hair during a term of over two years for burglary. In making the request for the wig, Grim In told the inspectors that he would not like to return to his friends a bald man. He thought he would at-tract too much attention.

Rev. J. Van Horn, aged 54, Pres-byterian minister at Sugar Hill, killed himself by shooting at the Ever-green Hotel, Falls Creek. Mr. Van Horn wandered away from home two days ago, apparently domented. At night went to the Evergreen Hotel After he retired the proprietor, knowing his family was bending every effort to find him, telephoned to his wife. Next morning Van Horn was not called, and it was supposed he slept late. Mrs. Van Horn ar-rived on a train at 10 o'clock and then the room was entered and tha suicide discovered. Van Horn was popular with his people. Some time ago he met with an accident in which his head was injured, and his mental trouble is attributed to that

The honeymoon of Abraham Francis, S1 years of age, and Mrs. Anna Snowden, aged 87 years, who were married in York last Saturday, was somewhat disturbed and shaken by Constable George Ostendorf. He served a warrant issued by Alderman Elsesser, charging the octogena rian with being a bigamist. The prosecutrix in the case is-or was Agnes Berry, who alleges that she married Francis twelve years ago at Columbia. Just as the huge iron girder in falling crushed the life out of Anthony Barasch, an employee Phoenix Iron Company, Phoenixville, his wife and two children were sail ing out of the harbor of Bremen Germany, on their way to this country to join him, after five years separation. The day before his death, Barasch received a letter from his wife telling of the joy experienced at the expected fulfilment of their long cherished hopes. News of her husband's death will be broken to her when she lands in New York The anual meeting of the Odd Fellows' Orphans' Home of Central Pennsylvania was held at the home at Arter's Station, when it was decided to commence work immediately on a new home to be erected near to the present structure. The new building, which will be a three-story brick, will cost \$17,000. When it is completed the present building will be turned into a home for old and disabled Odd Fellows. The Schuylkill County Society at a meeting held in Ashland started a boom for the establishment of a State institution for the treatment of incbriates. A resolution was adopted asking the Schuylkill Legislators to support a bill with Moore, Dr. G. H. aim. Schuylkill Haven, was elected presi-dent; Dr. G. O. Santee, secretary, and Dr. David Taggart treasurer of the society for one year.

Mr. Cortelyou, who takes the Treasury portfolio on March 4, is to fill the office whenever he desires to do so, and First Assistant Post-master General Hitchcock will later

gerously Wounded.

should have taken so light a view of far into the thousands there is no room to doubt. Ten thousand is more the gravity of the offense. apt to be an under than an over en timate, such were the ravages of the combined seismic and cataclysmic Wash., at present private secretary to Secretary of the Treasury Shaw, terrors visited upon that part of the world during nearly a week of days

will be appointed Assistant Secre-tary of the Treasury to succeed Charles Hallam Keep, when the latand nights of horror, which, for-tunately, come but seldom in the experience of the race. China has been a great sufferer

in this way.

on be made Assistant Secretary WOMAN SHOT BY HUSBAND.

device of the ruler of the Congo whether of wholesale asper-State. sion of motive or of evasion of ac countability through promotion of transfer of territory to a govern-ment of which he is himself the head, shall be allowed to cloud the issue of international responsibility for immediate ascertainment of conditions and correction of wrongs. The issue, as you are well aware, is of motive, but of fact, and the duty of guardianship binding the powers of protection of the people of the territory of the Congo Basin is inde-Pernia. pendent of political relations. Moreover, we would respectfully urge our cendancy Russia in defense conviction that if the King is a trustee he cannot transfer his trust except by international sanction. convening of an International conference was important in the opening of the Congo territory, It would seem that a conference for review of the issue in all its phases indispensable for wise and just dealing now."

A Liliputian Killed.

Atlantic City, N. J. (Special). Richard Donan, a midget well known In theatrical circles was asphyxiated illuminating gas here. He was found sitting in a chair beside a heater from which the gas escaped Donan was 42 years old and a triffe over three feet tail. He was one of the original Lillputians and had travcled all over the world.

Turks Destroy Bulgarian Band. Saloniki (By Cable).---At Tchairly, near Monastir, Turkish troops dea Bulgarian band, consisting of eight men, killing six of them and capturing two, both 'of whom were severely wounded. The Turks lost two men killed and several wounded.

Honor For Brander Matthews.

New York (Special) .- It was an nounced at Columbia University that President Roosevelt had received a letter from the French ambassador at Washington stating that the decoration of the Legion of Honor had been conferred upon Prof. Brander Matthews, of Columbia University. in recognition of his services to iftture in connection with the study of the French drama.

Headless Body Found.

New York (Special) .- The gruesome relic of a tragedy was found in a neow in East River, in the form of the headless and armless body of a man. The dismembered body had

been brought up by a dredge and carried out to sea in the mud scow, re it was discovered and brought k. It was taken to the morgue burg. and the coroner's jury is investigat-ing the murder theory. It was im-possible to tell whether the man had

Major Genreal Wood has recom-mended a medal of honor for Cor-poral Seth L. Weid, for conspicu-ous gallantry in the Philippines. drowned or murdered and

death by the pres ence of thousands of workmen.

Walter Wellman exhibited to a Leslie Roturean, a society woman, number of aeronauts in Paris his enat a hospital suffering from a larged balloon, in which he hopes to reach the North Pole. bullet wound in her side which the doctors think will prove fatal, and

A crisis in the Spanish Ministry her husband is being held without is impending, the issue being the pro-posed Anticlerical Association Law. bail to await the result of her in-Both husband and wife juries. e Crown Prince of Portugal was The claimed at first that the wound was injured in a riding accident in Lisaccidental, but when Mrs. Roturean was told that her life was in danger

Great Britain and Russia are she confessed that she was shot durwatching Germany's attitude toward ing a quarrel with her husband and Any attempt of Germany while both were struggling for posto secure political or commercial asession of the pistol. would unite England and

Mrs. Roturean said she chided her usband for staying out late. He Russia's financial budget for 1907 etorted bitterly, and then she struck contains \$250,000,000 for extraordi-nary expenditures, of which \$200,im several blows with a riding whit Roturean, according to his wife,

000,000 is for the Ministry of A mysterious explosion of a bomb snatched the whip and lashed her occurred at Vassily Island, a section severely across her bosom and shoulof St. Petersburg, in which many She then got a pistol and tried English families reside. to shoot her husband, but he selzed and struggled to take the pistol

A Philippine Japanese Association has been formed to cultivate com-Just as he got the pistol away from was discharged and she mercial relations between Japan and the Philippine Islands. She will not say, however, that her a tidal wave devastated several husband deliberately shot her.

the Dutch East India Islands The Rotureans are connected with south of Achin, and several hundred Savannah's old families and have lives are reported lost. been prominent socially. Mrs. Ro-turean is one of the handsomest General Rennenkampf, command-

er of the Third Siberian Corps, has women in Savannah. been appointed commander of the Germany's Big Colony Bill. Third Russian Army Corps.

The Japanese government decided hat, on account of anti-Japanese ag-Berlin (By Cable) .- The Colonial livision of the foreign office has preitation on the Pacific Coast, the pared a table showing that the extraining squadron will not go farther penditure of Germany on her colo-nics in Africa and the South Seas than Honolulu.

The separation of church and total \$161,250,000, to which may be added indirect expenditures, instate in France has caused a number of suits for recovery of money becluding postal service and steamhip subsidies, amounting to \$7,850,centhed as endowments for masses

Colonial Director Dernberg issued statement in defense of Germany's Strassburg (By Cable) .- Twenty

for the dead.

Lodz,

Russia

Henri Brisson, former premier of persons perished in a fire which dewas reelected president of stroyed the bookbinery of Hudert the Chamber of Deputies. & Co., an English firm, at Gelspol-Negotiations are in progress for sheim, near this city. A vat of boilconsolidating several coal companies

Nova Scotia Colonel Andrieff, chief of police of Poland, was shot and killed In that city

Earthquake shocks were felt in portions of Norway, Sweden and

It is rumored that the third son of the late Shah has formed an army to march upon Teheran with a view to capturing the throne.

Russia proposes to build two 000-ton warships and ten 12,000 ton vessels.

General Pavioff, Russian judge advocate general, was shot and mortally wounded in front of the nilitary court building in St. Peters The assassin was captured af-

The Senate passed the McCumber Service Pension Bill without divi-

burn-Dolliver bill, which makes Savannah, Ga. (Special) .--- Mrs. B.

liquors entering a temperance State through the medium of interstate traffic subject to the laws of the State.

to the jury, principally concerning the question of intent, the major the question The House Committee on Indus portion of which the court refused trial Arts and Expositions favorably to charge. reported a joint resolution directing the President to appoint a special commissioner to invite the British Government to participate in the Jamestown Exposition.

The State Department received a dispatch from Shanghai, stating that the famine relief committee has thus far received 100,000 Mexican dolranted their finding, they were act-ing clearly within their power by bringing in such a verdict. Therefor the sufferers.

Senator Hopkins addressed the Senate in defense of the right of upon the jury again retired. Reed Smooth to retain his seat as member from Utah

Champ Clark, of Missouri, is beng urged for leader of the House, o succeed John Sharp Williams. Edith M. Wilbur, of Oneonta, to The House was the scene of a threatened personal encounter beween Representative Gaines, of Tennessee, and Representative Mahon, of Pennsylvania, growing out of Mr. Gaines' bill to "dock" members for of a pretty romance. Miss Wilber, in April, 1905, fell heir to an estate chronic absenteeism.

The Secretary of War has ordered court-martial of Corporal Twenty-fifth Knowles, Infantry charged with having shot Captain Macklin, commander of Company A. The bill making appropriations for

the legislative, executive and judicial expenses of the government was reorted to the Senate. near Cole.

The Committee on Revision of the Laws reported a joint bill codifying the criminal law of the United States. The Senate passed the bill limit-ing the hours of railway employees to 16 hours of service followed by 10 hours of rest.

Representative Pearre, of Mary land, has introduced a joint resolution providing for the election of United States Senators by a direct vote of the people.

Testimony detrimental to Operator Dutrow, who was on duty at Silver Springs on the night of the Terra Cotta wreck, was given on the stand the inquest by Operator Moore, Kensington. He declared that Dutrow was incompetent and inefficient. Dutrow is kept under survelliance by Central Officer detec-

The various federal executive de partments have arranged a plan for he preservation of American antiquities

Secretary Wilson conducted another hearing on the question, blended whisky whisky?" "In

The House adopted a provision to abolish the grade of Leutenanf general.

The House passed the Arm propriation Bill, carrying \$70,000,-

Secretary Root offered suggestions to the Senate Committee on For-eign Relations for modifications in treaty with Santo Domingo.

been committed within this district head, and his body was found by it gave the court legal jurisdiction. his three culldren. The defense presented a number of points which it wished charged

Gas Plant Goes Up; 2 Dead. Wilmington, Ill. (Special) .- F. H. Pope and Edward Scheibner were

killed and 12 other persons were in-The jury retired at 5 P. M., and jured here by the explosion of a an hour later came to the courtroom gas plant in Woodmen's Hall, while and asked the court if it would be a card party was in progress. The permissible to return a verdict of gas had been leaking, and Pope and guilty against the two corporations and one of acquittal against the in-Scheibner had gone into a rear room dividual defendants. Judge Hough to make repairs. The rear of the replied that if the evidence so warbuilding was wrecked.

IN THE FINANCIAL WORLD.

One firm in Wall Street Thursday bought 20,000 shares of Reading. T. E. Allison was elected a mem Syracuse, N. Y. (Special). --- The of the Philadelphia Stock Ex marrigae a few days ago of Miss change.

A Philadelphia firm sold one poor farmer boy, Herbert Cole, who block of 5,000 shares of Pennsylvaacted as her chauffeur through Eu-

> There is an expectation that the Gould roads will be the next to come under the probe.

worth several hundred thousands dollars, including 4,000 acres of farmland near Oneonta. Last sumof nearly \$3,000 a day. men she bought a big touring car

Electric Company of America diin Syracuse and engaged young Cole to take herself and mother through rectors declared the regular semi-annual dividend of 3½ per cent. Europe. Cupid became busy and upon their return the girl took fre-

Baltimore & Ohio directors de quent automobile trips so as to be Murder Over A Young Woman. Lexington, Ky. (Special) .- In

fight over a young woman to which both had been paying attentions, Cleveland Justice, 18 years old, shot and killed his cousin, George Mullins, break in the next few days.

Buffalo, N. Y. (Special) .- The former residence of John G. Millburn, on Delaware Avenue, to which the late President McKinley was taken after he was shot at the Pan-American Exposition, and where he died, was badly damaged by fire this morning. The fire practically consumed everything within the four walls. The loss is estimated at \$25,000. The property has been sold recently by Mr. Millburn to Philip M. Shannan.

Frightened To Death,

Where McKinley Died.

Philadelphia (Special). - Albert Lindsay was frightened to death and two men severely burned by an explosion of molten metal in the finishing plant at Baldwin's Locomotive Works. Frank Sakolowsky and Pat-Works. Frank Sakolowsky and Pat-rick Dolan were burned about the face and body by the hot metal which flew over them, and Lindsay, who was standing near, was so frightened that he collapsed. He was picked up unconscious, and when taken to a hospital with the injured men was dead.

nia at 140 14. rope last summer, is the culmination

Rapid Transit's carnings are run-ning ahead of last year at the rate

chared the regular semi-annual divi-dend of 2 per cent. on the preferred stock and 3 per cent. on the common stock.

Just before the close W. L. Bull sent this message to Winthrop Smith & Co.: "I should not be surprised see Pennsylvania have a sharp

The Republic Trust Company, of Philadelphia, has followed the exam-ple of several other institutions and increased the interest paid on depos-its to $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. On small amounts of \$100 or less the usual ten day notice need not be given. Janney & Co., who are supposed to represent important officials, of the Cambria Steel Company, were conspicuous buyers of the stock. Another well-known broker told his customers: "You can buy all the Cambria Steel you can get up to 50, and it is not going to react any."

Concerning the latest "plan" put ut for the Rapid Transit, a director of that company says: "To talk o reducing the dividends on the un "lo talk of derlying companies is exactly the same as it you were to discuss the reduction of interest on a mortgage If you place a mortgage at 6 per cent., the borrower of the money might afterwards wish to cut it te 3 per cent., but what would lender say to such a scheme? With all these underlying companies it is now a case of Rapid Transit's paying all obligations agreed upon, or give up the leases."

At the annual meeting of the Re tail Merchants' Protective Associa-tion of Monroe County, the following officers were elected: President O. E. Phillips; secretary, John C. Ben-singer; treasurer, T. D. Dreher; directors, E. W. Chamberlain and W. L. Boening, of Mount Pocono; J. H. Zacharias and T. B. Drake, of East Stroudsburg, and E. G. Dor shimer, of Saylorsburg.

Albert Ulmer, a farmer, went to Easton, transacted some business and then disappeared. His family much worried in consequence.

Milton Yetter has been re-elected president of the Delaware Valley Railroad. Other officers elected are: William Bray, treasurer: S. E. Shulls, secretary, and ex-Congress-man Joseph D. Shull, general coun-sel. The road, which has been the

sel. The road, which has been the built of many a joke, is in a pros-perous condition and will be extend-ed to Forest Park, Pike County. • A large number of the mail bags were thrown on the track at Frafer, on the main line of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and before they could be removed they were struck by a limited train and completely ground to pulo. to pulp.

ing celluloid exploded and the flamliquid caused such instantaneous ignition of everything with which it of Kensington. ame in contact that all the exits were cut off in a very short time. Some of those who escaped from the tives.

burning rooms were badly scalded. Assassin's Head Is Kept. St. Peterburg (Special) .- The as-

sausin of Lieutenant General Pavloff, the military procurator of St. Petersburg, was executed at Lisynos, near Cronstadt. He refused to take the sacrament, and disl unidentified and

with a cheer for the revolution on his lips. The head of the assassin was removed and preserved at the headquarters of the political police for possible identification later.

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