# THE MIDDLEBURGH POST.

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Statistics prove that nearly twothirds of all the letters carried by the postal service of the world are written, people.

In Fiji, which in 1835 was a heathen land, there is a circuit which has sixteen ministers, 310 local preachers and upward of 7000 members, with 27,000 adherents. Of the ministers all but one are natives.

The year 1819 was one of "notable births," bringing into the world such celebrities as Queen Victoria, John Ruskin, Walt Whitman, Charles Kingsley, Julia Ward Howe, J. G. Holland and Cyrus W. Field.

During the year ending June 30 there were 290 passengers on all the railroads in the United States killed, a decrease of seventy-seven from the previous year. The total of 290 includes the victims of collisions in which crowded World's Fair trains were involved. The total number of passengers carried during the year was 593,560,612. It appears, therefore, that the death rate due to railway accidents was but one in 2,000,-000. This is very low, maintains the New York Mail and Express. When a man's chances of being killed are but one in 2,000,000 he is not apt to worry. It is gratifying to know that even with the great increase of travel tast year the number of fatalities was nearly twenty-five per cent, less than in the previous year. These statements prove that railroad travel is not only comparatively safe, but that it is being made safer every year.

Certainly nobody has been looking for the present year to make much of a record as a year for railroad building, and probably many will be surprised to learn that there has been more than a nominal amount of new road built, says the Railroad Gazette. Yet the returns of track laid in 1894 up to tly I show an aggregate of 495 s. This is the proprhalf

for years. The total is 530 miles belaw the new mileage built in the first Half of 1893, over 705 miles less in the corresponding period of the first half of 1891, when 1610 miles were reported. Though the comparisons with the work done in a similar period of the previous years, which were poor years for railroad building. show plainly how great the decline has been actually, yet the record may be regarded as very fair, if, indeed, it is not to be looked at as an unexpectedly good one, considering the conditions in other industrial fields that have existed for a year past. The following table accounts for the new track laid, by States:

Arkansas	19 New York
Arizona	23 North Carolina .
California	18 Ohio
Colorado	48 Pennsylvania
Florida	50 South Carolina
Georgia	S Texas
Illinois	4 Virginia
Louisiana	36 West Virginia
Michigan	22 Wisconsin
Missouri	6 Wyoming
Minnesota.	Di .
New Jersey	35 Total United States

Each State and Territory is entitled to as many delegates in the Farmers' National Congress, as it has national Senators and Congressmen, and each State Bureau of Agriculture is entitled to a delegate, all to be voluntarily appointed by the State Governor. The fourteenth annual congress will convene at Parkersburg, West Virginis, the first weak in October. All social and economical questions affecting the farmer will be discussed in a strictly non-political manner. This feature is so closely observed, and so careful is the congress about this matter, says the American Agriculturist, that it is of its unwritten laws that no one shall use his connection, official or otherwise, with the congress to advance his political fortunes in any way. It has recently taken a strong stand for free mail delivery in the rural districts. The national character of its programme is shown by addresses from California, Texas, Maine and Georgia, and other States. The congress does not meet for pleasure, but for business. Every farmer would be greatly edified by hearing its discussion of highways, waterways and railways, of taxation, mail delivery, option trading and farmers' organization. The Secretary is John M. Stahl, Quincy, Ill. Those highly interested in the progress of agriculture are attending there congresses in (increasing numbers from of the country, and much

# MEN AND HORSES BURNED.

THREE FIREMEN KILLED.

Large Express Stables and Several Residences Burned-Two Hundrel Horass Die.

The warehouses and stables of the George sent to and read by English-speaking W. Knox Express company, occupying over a quarter of a block at Second and B streets, Northwest, Washington, D.C., were destroyed by fire Wednesday. Three firemen lost their

Over 200 heavy draft horses, nearly all of the company's express wagens and the con-tents of the large storage building were

The Adams Express company stable, adjoining the Knox building to the north, was also entirely consumed. About 150 horses were in the Adams Express company's stable. but all were taken out by the hardest kind of work on the part of citizens and policemen. Eight two-story houses on the alley north of the Knox building and two small frame

houses back of the Adams stables were des-troyed. Six or eight other residence houses were more or less damaged.

The total loss will exceed \$250,000. As to the amount of insurance, no definite information can yet be obtained.

The bodies of the following firemen have

en recovered: SAMUEL E. MASTIN, fireman, No. 1, of 806

Eighteenth street, Northwest, MICHAEL FENTON, Areman, No. 1, of 232 Thirteenth and a Half street, Southwest. DENNIS DONAHUE, freeman No. 1.

Four freemen were badly injured, and had to be be taken to the Emergency hospital.
One of the Knox stable employes was burned and may die. Fully a dozen freemen and policemen were overcome by the heat and had to be carried to places of safety.

The injured are: J. G. Wilson, 525 Eleventh street, South-James Keihal, 462 Virginia avenue, South-

James Keibai, 462 Virginia avenue, South-west, sprained back; seriously injured. Lee Bell, 3202 I street, Northwest, burned about hands and face. James A. Hooper, truck "A," 521 F street, Northwest; lacerated forchead. Edward Cabill, citizen, shoulder broken. Unknown employe of Knox company, probably fatally burned about head and short. The fire was discovered at 2.20 o'clock,

number of men who were sleeping in the Knox building were awakened by smoke. They found the entire rear of the second floor of the building in flames, and had hardly time to escape with their lives. Before they had left the building the blaze had communicated to the three-story rear part of the Adams stables, and was darting out of the windows of the second and first floors of both buildings in the rear. A general alarm was turned in and the entire fire department of the city was on hand in short order,

Every company and every fireman was needed. A hotter fire never raged. Flames poured in great sheets from the doors and windows of the great stables. All this was in a very few moments.

A hundred men ran into the Adams stables and cut loose the 150 horses they contained. The animals were cut loose and turned into the street. The horses of the Kuox company could not be reached. They were on the second story of the building, which was a seething mass of flames from the very start. The most of them must have perished from the terrifle heat and from the dense smoke

before the flames reached them the before the flames reached them.

The Knox building was a for story structure of brick. On the first fair were the heavy waygos of in for the fithe second and fourth Stroub has a now binerchandise red with the

building of the Knox come street and con-necting with the stables, separated only by a thin brick wall, was used entirely for storage purposes. It was was packed from basement to roof with furniture and merchandise. Families had stored their entire household belongings here; merchants had left carloads of supplies here, and there was load after load of incoming and outgoing freight. It is in this building that the greatest loss occurr-The insurance cannot begin to cover

Just before 3 o'clock the most terrible inci-

dent of the fire occurred. The firemen had carried their hose into the burning warehouse through one of the large rear doors. This door was held up by weighted ropes, and the men had just entered the building when the ropes burned through and the heavy wooden door fell, penning them in. The work of cutting through the door was immediately began, and was all but finished when the floors above fell with a crash. The immense weight burst out the door and crashed two of the firemen to death. The others were with difficulty dragged out of the debris alive. In about five minutes the portion of the outside wall immediately over the door gave way, filling the wide alley but injuring no one, Massive iron girders over the door held, leaving the doorway almost clear. In this clearing, lying on his face, his head and right arm exposed, lay Assistant Foreman Mastin. A 12-inch beam lying across his shoulder had crushed out his life and now held him pinned to the ground. It was not until all the pling walls around had failen an hour later that his body could be extricated. The great beam had to be chopped away from over the body beforeit could be removed.

# MORE CHINESE LOSSES.

Japanese Warships Sink Several Steamers in Taku Harcor.

A disputch from Lieyd's agent at Shangai ays it is reported that several Chinesesteamers have been distroyed by Japanese warships which are blocks ling the harbor at Taku. Terpodoes have been hald in the Shaweisan channel and the Yang-tse Kiang

It is stated by Japanese officials that the Chinese transport steamer, how Shung was sank while trying to escape. A Chinese official says the Row Shung

though offering no revisionee, was blown up by a Japanese torpedo best. The statement that the Chinese war vessel Chenyuen ran away is desired by Chinese of-ficials, who assert that the officers of the ship merciy followed their instructions. Chinese warships are protecting transport vessels and have succeeded in getting them all safely to tkeir destination, except the low shung. The Chinese feet has been ordered to remain on the coast to protect important Chinese movements which are being developed,

# THE FAMOUS GORILLA DEAD.

The Semi-Human King Papires Without

Pain at Dayton, O. Barnum & Balley's world-famous gorilla, died at Dayton, O. Mr. Bailey, his owner, bought him from the king of Portugal for an enormous sun and several attendants were with the semi-human king of the African forests when he expired. Inoctors were summoned when it was found theo was sick unto death, but their skill was unavailing. It was a wired death-led stene.

Jouanno, Chico's mate, sat with her face in her hands in the far corner of her cage, Tears fropped through her lingers and to all appearance she was suffering the scenest agonies of grief. Mr. Battey controlled himself, but Starr wept with the female gorilla.

Chico died without pala, His body was smbalmed by Undertaker Boyd. It will be shipped to New York, was a facility of the country, and much shipped to New York, where it will be set up of rivedle result

## FIFTY-THIRD CONGRESS.

Summarized Proceedings of Our Law-Makers at Washington.

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-NINTH DAY, Senate.—Another dramatic scene occurred in the senate to-day, but President Cleveland. in the senate to-day, but President Cleveland, instead of being, as on yesterday, the object of attack by the leader of his party, was defended with vigor and vim. Mr. Cleveland's champion to-day was his old political rival and enemy, Senator David Bennett Hill, of New York. The New York senator spoke for almost two hours to breathless gaileries and a full senate. Several times the presiding officer was unable to restrain the enthusiassu his remarks evoked notably when Mr. Hill officer was unable to restrain the enthusiasm his remarks evoked, notably when Mr. Hill declared that personal considerations would not prevent him from defending the president when he was unjustly attacked. Senator Caffrey, of Louisiana, followed Mr. Hill and his speech was still in progress when at 3,05 o'clock Mr. Cockrell secured when at 3.05 o clock Mr. Cockrell secured recognition to move an adjournment, which motion was adopted and the senate adjourned. House, The house to-day passed by a party vote the bill for the reinstatement of clerks dismissed from the railway mail service between March 15 and May 1, 1889. The vote was year 140, navs 53.

was yeas 140, nays 53.

Hills were passed to issue patents to the Presbyterian board of home missions for land in the Omaha Indian reservation for church purposes; to authorize the secretary of the interior to lease sites in the Hot Springs, (Arkansas) reservation for cold water reservoirs, and a number referring to western lands. At 4 o'clock the house adfourned.

ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTIETH DAY. SENATE. The day was devoted to speech making. Mr. Gaffery, Democrat, of Louisi-ana, concluded his speech in favor of a tariff on sugar, and stated that if the sugar growers of his state were not protected he could not to the state were not protected he could not vote for the bill. Speeches were made by Mr. Daniel, Democrat, of Virginia, and by Mr. Hunton, Democrat, o Virginia. Mr. Quay, Republican, of Pennsylvania, moved to amend the pending motions of Senators Vilas and Gray so as to place sugar on the free list. The Senate then adjourned.

adjourned. House-Bills were pasted, providing pensions for widows and orphans of soldiers who died or were killed in discharge of duty, and who did not therefore receive discharges from the service, and to extend during their lives the pensions granted to insane, idotic or otherwise permanently helpiess orphan children of a deceased soldier.

ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIRST DAY. SENATE. Senator Vilas, of Wisconsin, re-plied at great length to Senator Gorman's attack on the president. He took up all the charges against the president and met them with much skill and logic. In conclusion he culogized the president's personal character and public integrity. After some remarks by Mr. Stewart against the interference of the executive, Mr. Hill moved to place coal and executive, Mr. Hill moved to place eoal and iron on the free list, which motion was defeated by a vote of 65 to 6. The conference report on the tariff bill was called up, and Mr. Quay withdrew the sugar amendments he had offered. Mr. Washburne, of Minnesota, submitted a motion to instruct the senate confererees to recede from that portion of the sugar schedule placing the 15 cent differential on sugars above 16 Dutch standard. Mr. Mills contended that Dutch standard, Mr. Mills contended that the senate could not instruct its conferroes to do that which it could not do itself. With-out deciding the point of order the senate ad-

ourned at 5:45 p. m.

Horse—The plan advocated by the American Institute of Architects to secure plans for public buildings by competition was indersed by the committee on public buildings, which decided by a unanimous vote to report the bill. A commission of three architects of high standing appointed by the president and two members of the engineer corps of the army, to discharge under the general direction of the secretary of the treasury all ad-ministrative duties relating to procuring designs and appointing architects, is provided for by the bill. For buildings costing \$100.000 the commission is to vote for five architects to prepare designs for competition and for buildings of less cost one architect is to be empowered to prepare the plans. Of course the commission selects the desired in the commission selects the desired in the confined in the commission selects. the commission selects the design. Unsuc-cessful competitors are to be paid for their work and the architects when such plans were adopted will supervise the work of building, and receive for renumeration 5 per

cent, of the cost of the work,
one hundred and eigery-second day. SENATE—The senate after a week of sena-torial speeches, agreed to the further conference on the tariff bill asked for by the house of representatives. The test of strength came on Mr. Washburne's motion that the senate recede from that portion of the sugar amendment placing a differential of one-eighth of acent on sugar above No. 16 Dutch standard. After an hour and a half of debate on the pending points of order, the president proem., sustained the point of order, and ruled he motion out. The decision was immedithe motion out. The decision was immediately appealed from and a motion made to lay the latter motion on the table. Both motions resulted in a tie. In case of a tie the motion is lost, according to parlimentary

The failure to sustain the chair on the appeal brought the senate to the direct vote the Washburne motion. But though the Republicans scored the victory in securing the vote on the one-eighth differential, the vote on the Washburne motion also resulted in a tie and subsequently was lost. After these votes no attempt was made to delay matters and the resolution to agree to the further conference was agreed to without division. The chair then reappointed the conferees, Messrs, Voorhees, Jones, Vest, Harris, Sherman, Allison and Aldrich, and the senate after transacting a little routine business adjourned until Monday.

ONE BUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THIRD DAY, SEXATE. Not in session. House, - A joint resolution was adopted still further extending the appropriations for 1894 until Augest 14, and after some private

### bilis were disposed of the House adjourned. TWO TOWNS DESTROYED.

Forest Fires Are Laying Waste Railroads and Villages in Wisconsin.

Forest fires are producing great suffering and loss throughout the vicinity of Ashland, Wis., and railroad companies have never before experienced such danger from fires. On the Wisconsin Central it is impossible to move trains. Phillips, the headquarters of the John R. Davis Lumber Company, a manufacturing town of 2,000 people is totally de-troyed by fire. Five hundred women and troyed by fire. Five hundred women and children from Phillips are in the woods with-

out shelter, Communication with Fifield is now shut off, and it is feared that town is also on fire. Along the Amaha lines the fires are raging with terrible flerceners. Short's Crossing, a little village eight miles west of Ashland, was Not a building remains standing, and the homeless families were brought to Ashland. A fast Omaha freight train of 16 oaded cars was entirely burned

# COREAN KING A PRISONER.

He Has Been Made a Captive by the Ja

panese. The king of Corea is a Japanese prisoner This was the important statement contained in a telegram which Secretary Herbert has received from Capt. Day, of the U. S. S. Baltime, now at Chemulpo, Corea. Capt. Day, beside stating that the king is a cap-tive in the bands of the Japanese report d he had dispatched a force of mariner from his ship to Seoul, the capital, to protec

the United States legation. There was no advices received at the state department confirming the report of the declaration of war between China and Japan, and Japanese Minister Tanteo, who called at the department to arrange his farewell call upon the President, said that he was also me, "wout information to that effect.

# LATEST NEWS SUMMARIZED

FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC

What is Transpiring the World Over. Important Events Briefly Told.

FIRES, ACCIDENTS, PATALITIES, ETc. The town of Boneparte, in Iowa, has been nearly destroyed by fire. The loss has not been ascertained.

Wilson Soule, son of the late Asa T. Soule of "Hop Bitters" fame, was killed at Roches-ter, N. Y., by being thrown from a carriage.

The town of Celina, in Ohio, has been destroyed by fire, causing a loss estimated at \$150,000. The National hotel, the Citizens bank, the postoffice and several stores and

saloons are among the property burned, A fire, on Fulton street, in New York city, gutted the six story building occupied by the New York Law Journal, causing a loss of

A fire at Belle Plaine, Ia., has destroyed property valued at \$500,000.

The explosion of a boiler in a Lehigh Val-ley colliery killed three men, John Miller John Laubach and Darby Shields.

#### CAPITAL AND LABOR.

It is the present outlook that the resolu-tion for an investigation of the causes of the great railroad strike, looking to legislation to prevent recurrence of such troubles, will be acted on this session.

The special report of Mr. Wright, commissioner of labor, shows that the earnings of the people living in the slum districts of large cities are quite up to the average earn-ings of the people generally and at large.

CRIMES AND PENALTIES,

Mrs. M. A. Hartly, a widow living at Reno, Nev., shot and killed State Senator M. D.

Harrison Duncan, a negro gambler and murderer, was hanged at Clayton, Mo., July 27.

While in a drunken rage Milford Danver, a butcher of Allegheny, Pa., attempted to murder his wife with a large butcher knife. He cut her badly about the head and face.

Wallace Burt, a half, breed murderer, w hanged at Boylestown, Pa., July 26. In Sep-tember 24, 1893, he murdered Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Richtly, aged respectively 83 and

John Ruyavish, the Polish resident, of Pittsburg, who was stabbed in a drunken riot in a shanty boat, died from his injuries in a pltal James Brown is in jail, charged

with the cutting. William Tyler, colored, was hanged by mob to the crossarm of a telephone pole at Carlisle, Ky. He was charged with crimin-ally assaulting a 12-year-old girl whom he had choked and beaten.

Charles Wilson, colored, aged 24 years, was hanged at St. Louis, July 26, for the murder of a negro named Mose Hodges, on November 8, 1892. His shoes were removed on the scaffold and he called out good-bye,

Six men have been arrested, three at Denver and three at Colorado Springs, for com-plicity in the tarring and feathering of Adju-tant General Tarsney. More arrests are to follow. The prisoners have been released on

### FOREIGN.

M. Rouvier, the French ex-minister of combat.

The news has been received that war be-tween China and Japan has been declared and that several China warships are in Queen Victoria will witness the private

match race on August 4 between the Vigilant and the Brittannia. The Prince of Wales and the Duke of York will be on board the Brittannia during this race.

The American steamer City of Peking, Capt, Searie, from Hong Kong, July 11, for San Francisco via Yokohama, is ashore in She was obliged to jettison a portion of her cargo. The duel between Clemenceau and Des-

chanel, was fought with swords in a secluded spot at Boulogne-sur-Seine. Two rounds were fought in the second of which Clemencanu's sword pierced the cheek of his antag-The wound though painful is not conaldered serious.

Archduke William III, a second cousin of Emperor Francis Joseph, was thrown from his horse July 28, and fatally injured.

About 2,000 houses in Cottel, a town in Buigaria have been burned and the homeless people are camping out in the fields.

Japan orders all her troops to report immediately. A Chinese army has entered Corea. The war is on,

#### MISCELLANEOUS, Mrs. U. S. Grant cannot be a guest of honor

at the encampment, The Republican State convention of Illinois nator Cullom for re-election.

A national convention of Deaconesses will be held at Ocean Grove, on August 16.

Republicans of the Third senatorial dis-

trict of West Virginia nominated Stewart T. Reed for the senate,

Elizabeth Beck, one of the oldest members of the Harmony society is dead. The sur-viving members of the society number 17,

The isthmus fever has appeared on board the U.S. warship Bennington at Salvador, which has a cordingly been ordered to leave for San Francisco.

A strong gas well near Coffeyville, Kan. aught fire and exploded. It shook the ground like an earthquake, and tore up 30

Steve Kay, a Slav, residing in Pittsburg, lost \$1,000 in money. It was taken from the pocket of his coat which hung in his room in his boarding house,

In the school election at South Amboy, N the women took an active part as voters, was a contest between Catholics and Protestants, the former electing six out of the nine trustees.

Lieutenant Commander Harry Knox has been ordered to command the dynamite cruis-er Vesuvius on August 1st, relieving Command er Frank Curtis, who will take cha ge of stee inspection at Pittsburg.

Judge Dennis of Baltimore, has decided in favor of the petition of James F. Fariey, of Indiana, the general receiver of the Order of Iron Hall, to have the \$100,000 in the hands of the the local receivers distributed by him-

#### Ordered to China, Minister Charles T. Denby , who is in this

Minister Charles I. Denby ,who is in this country on leave of absence, has been ordered back to his post at Pekin, China, on account of the warlike situation between China and Japan over Corea. Minister Denby is in Detroit, Mich., where his wife, who is now there will join him. They will then go by the quickest route to Pekin.

# A Girl Giantess.

A coffin 7 feet 6 inches in length for a 14 year-oid girl is a very uncommon sort of a coffin. But that was the size ordered for a girl who died a few days ago of consumption us near Ft. Wayne. The girl was 7 feet 3 inches in height and was probably the tallest girl of her age in the country.

## TELEGRAPHIC TICKINGS.

The Republicans have nominated E. F. Acheson, of Washington county, for Congress in the twenty-fourth district of Pennsylvania-The only United States troops still in strike service are those pushing forward mail trains on the Northern Pacific in the Ceur d'Alene

A Pittsburg & Western freight train jumped from a ninety-five foot trustle near Rock Point Pa., Saturday and fifteen cars were wrecked

at a loss of \$18,000. No one was hurt, Thomas Downes, of Youngstown, was killed by his horse freightening at a steam thresher passing along the road. Downes was a puddler, and leaves a large family.

In a battle near St. Louis, Senegal, between natives and French, 500 natives were killed, and their stronghold, All Karl, was captured, A European and eight natives on the French side were killed,

The railroad between Contracoalcos and Salina Cruze, Mexico, being built by the Mexican government, has been completed. This opens up a new means of transportation between the Guit of Mexico and the Pacific ocean.

The total loss of life at Phillips, Wis., from burning and drowning will, it is thought, reach at least 40. A number of bodies have been recovered from the ruins of the burned buildings. Some were charred beyond recog-

The Cleveland, Lorain and Wheeling rail. oad has just completed a deal for the Kidd mines west of Bridgeport and nearly 2,000 acres of coal land adjoining. The company will begin work at once developing the property, and will give employment to from 400 o 600 hands.

The Point Bottle works at Rochester, Pa., have resumed operations in all departments, giving employment to over 100 hands. The factory has been idle for a month or so, but the management reports plenty of orders ahead. The factory is able to run pretty steadily the year round, turning out an immease number of fruit jars as well as other green glassware.

# KILLED FOUR PERSONS.

He Deliberately Shot His Divorced Wife and Her Parents and Brother. J. O. Craig, an ex-police officer, of Los

Angoles, Cal., instantly killed three persons and fatally wounded another. About 5 o'clock on the evening of the murder Craig hired a horse and buggy and drove der Craig hired a horse and buggy and drove to the house of his divorced wife in Corrilli-tos Canyon, near Tropico, where she lived with her uncle, brother and three children. Before Craig started he announced he was going there with the intention of seeing his children, but murder was evidently his inten-tion for he had around his said with two re-

tion for he had armed himself with two re-volvers and had been drinking heavily dur-ing the afternoon. When he arrived at the home of his wife he deliberatly drew a revolver and shother dead. Her brother, George Hunter, who was some distance from the house when the shooting distance from the house when the shooting occurred, rushed to his sister's assistance. Craig shot him, inflicting a wound which proved fatal. He then jumped into his buggy and drove rapidly back to Los Angeles.

Arriving at the house of his father-in-law.

William Hunter, he tied up his horse, and, without any ceremony, ran into the house and shot and instantly killed his father-inlaw and his mother-in-law. He then applied the pistol to his own head with the intention the pistor to his own head with the literation of ending his existence, but only succeeded in inflicting a slight flesh wound. Two of the neighbors rushed in and disarmed Craig.

detaining him until the arrival of the police, Mrs. Craig secured a divorce about two ionths ago upon the grounds of cruelty. Craig, who is reputed to be possessed of a very large quarrelsome disposition, has never lost an opportunity to make it unpleasant for her and her family. He claims that his wife and her family have frequently threatened his life, and that his shooting anticipated the fulfillment of his threat. As a police officer Craig had the reputation of being very quarreisome and aggresive. He distinguished himself while on the force by participating in numerous brawls. He has three children, the eldest being but 5 years old.

# KILLED BY A WOMAN.

Mrs. Hartley is the Widow of a Once Famous Man.

Mrs. A. Hartley, who shot and killed State Senator M. D. Foley, Reno, Nev., is the widow of the discoverer of the Meadow Lake mines. Her husband was known as "The Hermit of Meadow Lake." It was during her absence in England two years ago that her husband died under suspicious circumstances and was thought to have been poisoned by a com-

# Bills Signed by the President.

The president has approved the following ills: The naval diplomatic and consular and military academy appropriations bills; prescribing limitations of time for completion of title under the donation act; extending the time for final proof and payment on public lands; authorizing the construction of a bridge over the Mississippi river at Lexing-

# Two Men Killed.

While John Everly, Frank Jones and Milt Black were engaged in running a traction engine, three miles south of Warsaw, Ind., it broke down. While Black was repairing it.
Everly and Jones, who had lost several
night's sleep, sitting up with a sick friend,
threw themselver down in front of the engine
to take a nap. Black, not knowing where his companions were, started the machine, kill-ing both instantly. They were unmarried.

# British Vessel Wrecked.

Word has been received at San Francisco of e wreck and total disablement of the British wooden bark William La Lacher Cape St. James, on Provost island, 600 miles from Singapore. The vessel left Singapore for Hong Kong on May 4 to load for this place. Out of the crew of 17 not a man was left to tell the tale.

# Murder and Suicide.

In a disorderly house on Clark street, Pittsburg, Samuel Oliver en Wednesday night last shot and killed his wife, Annie Crowley, an inmate of the house, to whom he was married July 5. He then committed suicide by shooting himself, He was a native of Ireland, about 20 years old, and drunk when he committed the crime.

# Valuable Horses Roasted.

An incendiary fire Sunday morning destroyed a large bara on the farm of Nicholas Kieffer, four miles west or Tiffin, O. Mr. Kieffer is a breeder of line norses and three valuable horses, two of which were imported stallions were burned to death in the stable ogether with a lot of hay, grain and farming implements. Loss about \$5,000.

# Jack Neely's Long Trip.

Jack Neely, of Aliegheny, Pa., is rowing down the Ohio river in a skiff, intending to go to New Orleans and return to Pittsburg by October 25. He is making the trip on a wager. To win he must go and return in 90 days. He started without a cent and is to make the trip without cost.

# KEYSTONE STATE CULLINGS

TWO PETERNINED BURGLARS. BEAVER. - The residence of Jas. McCollough of Raccoon township, was visited by two burglars. Mr. McCullongh grappled with them and was beaten into unconsciousness. His daughter and Elmer Ewing, a young man who was the guest of the faunty, were fied, and Mrs. McCullongh was forced to give the burglars \$50, all the money in the he

#### A PROSPEROUS PLANT.

The Tumbler company at Rochester held its twenty-second annual meeting on Wednesday afternoon. The company is co-operative. There are 900 names on the pay roll. Last year's sales amounted to \$700,000, and a dividend of 16 per cent, was declared on the

#### A SPLENDID HOME.

FRANKLIN.—The commission having the erection of the Home for Feeble-Minded Children in charge, have been engaged in inspecting the specifications for the buildings. The architects will shortly advertise for bids and the work will be commenced by September 1. The home, when completed, will be one of the most perfect in the world.

#### PITTSBURG.—The exposition will open Sept, PITTSBURG EXPOSITION.

5, and last 40 days, closing October 20. The exhibits will be more numerous than ever before, and there will be many interesting new features. COMMITTED SUICIDE. BLOOMFIELD,-William Placke, a carpenter,

hanged himself to a bedpost with a cicthes line. He was married and despondent over loss of money and failure to get work. A BAD WHECK. Braddock,—The spreading of rails caused a disastrous wreek. Fireman Chas, McCauley was fataly injured. Damage to prop-

erty about \$20,000. PATAL EXPLOSION. MONONGABELA.—The explosion of a boiler at the Will mine probably fatally injured a man named Spence and caused a loss of

MURDERED HIS MISTRESS. Mt. Pleasant.-William Freeman, a colured man from Sharpsburg, shot his mistress, Mrs. Timberlake. He is in jail at Greens-

ourse. Bonert Dunbar, a colored man, formerly of Charleston, W. Va., was shot and killed by Phoebe Dungee, a 19-year-old colored girl at Cannonsburg. Dunbar was jealous of William Quomes, another colored young man, and tried to force his way into the house, according to the girl's story. Phoebe was arrested, as was Quomes, and both were placed in jair at Washington.

MARTIN GAYLOR, a farmer in Greene township, Benver county, attempted to pry up a large stump, when the lever broke and the stump fell back, breaking his right leg and pinioning him to the earth. This happened in the morning. When found at 5 o'clock in the evening he was unconscious.

Mns. Wolff, of Bear Run, attempted sui-cide by shooting herself in the forehead. The bullet did not go through her skull. She said she had been a burden to her family and wanted to die. She will live. She is about 50 years old, and has been an invalid for a number of years. WM. DUNSTAN, of Waynesburg, found a.

rusted revolver in a well on the Baltzell prop-erty. As John Eisminger, convicted of the murder of Huckster McCoy, stopped there the morning the crime was committed, the weapon is believed by many to belong to the convicted man. In the eastern part of Lawrence county the pasture fields are burned brown by the drouth, and the corn fields are withered.

has been nearly two months since any rain lell in that section. Farmers in many instances have been compelled to feed new At New Castle a snake charmer in the ladies' waiting of the E. & P. station upset a box containing nine serpents, the smallest, a blacksnake six feet long, and the longest a

18-foot boa. The ladies and children in the room ran out in terror. THE sheriffs of Westmoreland and Fayette counties have telegraphed to Gov. Patrison that they are prepared to meet any probable

emergency that may result from the great strike in the Connellsville coke regions. THE four-story building on Wood street, Pittsburg which contains oid Lafayette Hall, is to be replaced with a magnificent bank

building. This hall is noted place of the Republican party. This hall is noted as the birth-The post mortem examination in the case of W. V. Hardman, the prominent oil man of Butler, who died suddenly, disclosed the fact that death had resulted from an opiate

MISS MARY BIDDLE at Frew's mills, Lawrence county, was terribly burned and is in a critical condition. Her dress caught fire, and as it burned she ran across a field to a neighboring house.

GOVERNOR PATTISON has decided that the

situation in the coke regions is not suffi-ciently serious to keep him at the Capitol, and he will leave on a trip covering a or ten days. MRS. ANNA HUNT, of New Castle, has begun a \$20,000 damage suit against George W. Johnson, manager of the sheet mill in which

her husband was killed by the falling of a damper. A fire at Beaver Falls destroyed the Darlington Fire Brick works, causing a loss of \$10,000. Thirty men were thrown out of

employment. S. C. Wilson has been appointed postmaster at New Eagle, Washington county, and Mrs. Sarah Pryor at Branchton, Butler

county.

THE Allegheny and Butler Plank Road company has two toll gates in the borough of Etna. Legal steps are being taken to remove THE English-speaking white cokers at

Uniontown have gone out again, and will, they say, remain out until the strike is

Two men George Milton Rey and David Blaney died in Pittsburg on the same day while under the influence of anesthetics,

A company has been formed at Beaver Falls to manufacture a patent scale and register. The capital stock is \$50,000. Mas. Many Coyle, a blind resident of

Wilkesbarre, visited the grave of a priest and had her sight restored. A NEW Hebrew hospital is to be erected in Pittsburg. It will cost at least \$75,000 and may cost \$300,000.

Mone than a hundred searchlights will be utilized in Pittsburg during the G. A. R. en campment week. A rike in Allegheny city burned Smith's

broom factory and a large tenement, enusing a loss of \$10,000. A GREEK, named Francis Geogy, fell from a bridge at Braddock 25 feet receiving fatal injuries.

hold a convention at Harrisburg September 5. Tuner churches are being built at Ellwood City: Methodist, Presbyterian and Cathol

THE State League of Republican clubs will

THE Ely Novely Works at Girard have been burned. Loss \$25,000. A succe resembling an earthquake ex-cited all the geysers in the Norces basin, Yellowstone Park, into great activity.