SHELLING THE BOERS.

Britons Cross Little Tugela River to Relieve Ladysmith.

THE BOERS' SUPERIOR FORCE.

H Is Larger Than the Combined Armice of Buller and White-Free State Calls Out All Able Bodied Men-President Kruger's Charge.

London, Jan. 16 .- The Standard gives prominence to the following distch, dated Saturday, Jan. 13, from Durban: A man who has just arrived here from Springfield says that a British column, proceeding to the relef of Ladysmith, has crossed the Little Tugela. When he left it was facing the Boer position on the Big Tugela, and a howitzer was shelling the Boer trenches. He says also that 270 wags, laden with commissariat stores for Ladysmith, had left Frere, and it was expected that the column would join hands with General White Monday evening. The traction engines been doing excellent work in hauling heavy wagons out of holes and swamps. This they accomplish with the greatest ease. British patrols have discovered parties of Boers in the direction of Ennersdale, between Frere and Eastcourt.

General Buller's latest authentic word as to what he and his 30,000 men are doing was wired from Springfield after his first forward step. Striving to think out the unknown, London is confused by surmise and rumor and disquiet by suspense. Spencer Wilkinson, the lucid military expert of The Morning Post, asserts that the Boer force in northern Natal is larger than General Buller's and Sir George White's together, so that the Boers are able to leave a force around Ladysmith larger than that within the town and yet to oppose General Buller with s force superior to his own.

Reports from the Boer camps affirm that the circle of investment has been drawn closer by the occupation of some hills nearer the town, thus liberating reinforcements to oppose General Buller.

The correspondent of The Times at Lourenzo Marques, telegraphing last Saturday, says: The Free State has now called out every available man, including the leading merchants who

had expected to enjoy immunity.

J. B. Robinson, the South African millionaire, in a signed article in The Daily News this morning, relates conversations he has had with President Kruger, and describes several interviews in which the Jameson raid was talked over. On one of these occasions President Kruger said:

"Do you mean to tell me that you do not know that the men who organized and engineered the raid organized it for their own benefit? They had deed how they would divide the Transvaal and how each of the parties was to have certain interests in this country. Many reformers who were put in jail were perfectly inno-They were ignorant of the There were only 12 men in that inner circle, and they were to divide the Transvaal among themselves. They their companions found the money for the raid. Do you think we are so innocent as not to know that Rhodes, metaphorically speaking, held a pis-tol at the heads of certain men in England and said to them: 'If you do not support me I shall denounce you and your complicity in the raid."

French War Material For the Boers London, Jan. 16.-The Daily Mail publishes the following from a special correspondent at Le Creuzot, France: "After two days' inquiry I do not hesitate to assert that the Schneider company is not only working night and day in the manufacture of guns and mmunition for the Boers, but that it has already packed, ready for shipment to the Transvaal, six heavy guns of large caliber. The workmen told me that ere long 30 additional guns would be dispatched to the Boers."

UNKNOWN VESSEL WRECKED.

Ashere Off New Foundland's Coast and Probably Sixty Lost.

St. Johns, N. F., Jan. 15.-The gale has not yet blown itself out and the see is still too rough to allow boats to set near the wreck in St. Mary's bay. As yet there is nothing to show the ne of the vessel. Ten bodies have been located among the rocks, and others can be seen floating about. Plans have been made for recovering nese as soon as the weather permits and it may be possible to get at the name of the steamer from pieces of boats wedged in the clefts of the rocks.

The vessel ran on a reef five miles from shore before daylight last Thursday morning. When seen from shore she was on fire aft, and by the aid of glasses three men were seen on board. Two who were on the bridge were d away. The survivor soon after left the rigging, swam to the rocks and twice endeavored to get a footing. Failing in this he made his way back rigging, where he died of exposure during the night. The vessel was a two masted steamer of nearly 3,000 tons, and probably carried a crew of 60. It is believed that not a soul

Poison in a Wedding Dinner. Chicago, Jan. 16.—Nearly a hundred mests who assembled at No. 569 Canal et to witness the marriage of Morris Pollack and Annie Schan were polsomed at the wedding dinner. In less than half an hour nearly every one in the half was in a helpless condition. The general belief is that the chicken, which had been prepared in a copper hettle, contained the poison. So far no deaths have been reported, but many are seriously ill, including the bride and groom.

ie, Jan. 15.—It is asserted in ing an order permitting the priests the Catholic church to marry. The step has already been taken in the yelical to the bishops of South an order, in which permission is given the priests there to take wives unto our

EMINENT BOYCOTTERS.

Boyan and Hadley Favor Ostracion

For Trust Promoters.

St. Louis, Jan. 16.—Colonel William
J. Bryan and President Arthur T. Hadley, of Yale university, were interviewed yesterday relative to the latter's proposal to ostracize trust magnates. Both are agreed on the in. that social recognition should be den. 7 to any man engaged in a trust or ou er business enterprise inimical to the public welfare, and that public mind should be educated to see those evils that exist in the trust system. President Hadley said:

"When people have clearly made up their minds as to what are great social evils ostracism is an effective remedy. The trouble is that the public mind is not clear on the matter. My opinion is that many of the evils commonly attributed to trusts do not properly belong there. This is where the public needs education. I do not mean that every man who is interested in a trust should be cancelled from the list of our acquaintances."

Colonel Bryan said: "The idea is a good one and should be encouraged. A man who tries to rob the public by means of a trust or by wrecking a bank or a railroad should no more be countenanced by society than a plain highwayman. When the people understand the harm that there really is in trusts they will be ready to apply a remedy."

CONSCIENCELESS PHYSICIANS.

Hanged a Superintendent in Effigy

and Used a Cadaver. New York, Jan. 16.-Commissioner of Charities Keller yesterday dismissed from the Metropolitan hospital on Blackwell's Island 12 physicians who, because of differences with Superintendent George T. Stewart, of the institution, on Sunday hanged him in effigy in the morgue, using a cadaver for the purpose. Pinned to the breast of the corpse, which was suspended from the ceiling by means of a rope, was a placard bearing an opprobrious reference to the superintendent. Commissioner Keller, when asked about the matter, said:

"It was a most disgraceful and outrageous affair, and I dismissed every mother's son of them. When men are hanged in effigy an artificial thing is generally used, and the use of a cadaver goes beyond the limits of decency. There are always a number of young men on the eligible list to step right in, and we found enough competent men to take the places of those dismissed without the slightest trouble.

Gave Her Life For Her Children. Corona, L. I., Jan. 15.—Three peo ple were burned to death in a fire Saturday night in a two story frame dwelling on Pine street. The dead are: Elizabeth Campbell, 49 years old; Jennie, aged 24, and Archie, aged 10, hor daughter and her son. The house was occupied by Thomas Campbell and his family. Campbell escaped at the first alarm and Mrs. Campbell followed him. She reached the road in front of the house and then learning that her four children were all in the burning house, dashed into the flames and was seen no more until her charred body was found. Campbell's back was badly burned and Grace and Nellie were burned about the face and neck.

Three Drowned in Sudden Flood. Kendrick, Idaho, Jan. 15 .- As a result of the sudden flood in the Potlatch river three lives are known to have and fears are expresse others. Twenty houses here have been swept away, stores are flooded and railroad tracks and bridges have been swept away, and many people have field to adjacent hills. Street Commissioner Hamblin and family tried to escape from the flooded district in a buggy. The vehicle was overturned and three children were drowned. Mr. Hamblin was brought to the bank after a daring rescue by John Long, Mrs. Hamblin being found later on the top of a dwelling, half dead from exposure and anguish.

Tried to Murder Judge Lochren. St. Paul, Jan. 16.-James Welch made a desperate attempt yesterday to assassinate Judge William Lochren, of the federal court. Welch had a dam-age suit against the Northern Pacific for being thrown off a train at Mandan, N. D. After a trial lasting three days Judge Lochren last Friday took the case from the jury and delivered a verdict for the defendant. Welch appeared at Judge Lochren's chambers and leveled a revolver at the judge's head. Court Crier Conway jumped on Welch and bore him to the Welch was then overpowered and disarmed. He is a partial paralytic, 33 years old.

Comfort For Filipinos.

Chicago, Jan. 15,-John Barrett, ex-United States minister to Siam, for the first time publicly named Senator Hoar Saturday night, at Lake Forest University, as the United States senator whose anti-expansion speech was cabled to Hong Kong and subsequently put into the hands of the Filipino soldiers, causing, as Mr. Barrett believed, the open insurrection. It appeared further from the ex-minister's speech that the government has discovered privately the stages by which the antiexpansion address reached Luzon.

Governor of Mississippi For a Day. Jackson, Miss., Jan. 16.-Lieutenant Governor Harrison took the oath yesterday and immediately assumed the duties of the office of governor, made necessary by the illness of Governor McLaurin. Lieutenant Governor Harrison acted as governor until today. Changes in the program for the inauguration of Governor-elect Longino were necessary, owing to the inability of Governor McLaurin to participate Lieutetant Governor Jones was his official representative during the ceremonies

Rece Released From Custedy.

St. Luis, Jan. 16.—Judge Thayer, in the United States court of appeals, yesterday granted an application for a writ of labeas corpus, and ordered the release of John P. Reese, a member of the executive board of the United Mine Workers of America, who was found guilty of contempt of court in violating an injunction of the United States district court of Kansas. Reese, who was out on thill pending appeal, is at the miners' convention in Indianapolis. Rees Released From Custody.

TO BE BELLION TOURS

THE MARCH OF MARCH.

Story of the Battle Where Filipino General Pilar Fell.

CLIMBED A STEEP MOUNTAIN.

Filipinos, From the Summit, Poured a Deadly Fire on the American Troops, But Our Soldiers Persisted and Put Them to Flight.

San Francisco, Jan. 16. - United States transports Olympia and Penn-sylvania arrived yesterday from Manila. Both vessels brought a number of passengers. On board the Olympia was Colonel C. D. Viele, of the Fourth cavalry, who is to be made brigadier general. Colonel Viele was forced to return to this country owing to ili health. A number of men from our warships returned on the Olympia.

The Olympia brings from a press correspondent an interesting story of the pursuit of Aguinaldo by the force under Major P. C. March. The correspondent accompanied the force. He writes as follows:

The entire march of March's battalion of the Thirty-third infantry from Candon to Cervantes has been a remarkable exploit. With four depleted companies and Cunningham's handful of scouts, the command left Young's headquarters at Candon on the afternoon of Nov. 30. The men had only 14 rounds of ammunition, no rations, and had to live on the country The four companies were commanded by Captains Jenkinson and Davis



MAJOR P. C. MARCH.

After two days' hard climbing the command reached a point two miles beyond the village of Lingai, where the fight occurred. There was a snakelike trail leading up the precipitous mountain side, and half way up the insur-gents had constructed trenches from which they could pour a deadly fire down on the troops advancing up the lower reaches of the trail or in the valley below. Cunningham's scouts, with Davis' company, were fired upon first. Jenkinson's company went to their support, and after exchanging a few shots these troops waited on the shelter of a hill. The enemy killed their fire and Jenkinson ordered a charge around a bend in the trail. Captain Cunningham and Lieutenant of \$663,536,201. McClelland led the charge, and as the men rushed around the bend they came into full view of the insurgents 200 yards above, who opened a well directed fire from trenches and from behind rocks and trees.

Half a dozen of Jenkinson's men fell, killed or wounded, within a few feet of each other, some hit in several places. Their comrades dragged them behind a shelter, and March with the remainder of the battalio: coming up, the troops sought what shelter they could, while March sen 12 sharpshooters to the top of the knoll on the opposite side of the val ley overlooking the trenches.

These men made the ascent of the knoll under heavy fire, but when the reached the top their well directed shots soon had the effect of making the insurgents careful not to expose themselves. March then directed Tom kins to execute a flank movement with his company by climbing the side of a hill a thousand feet high, on the insurgents' left. Tomkins, with Lieutenant True and 50 men, made the ascent of the hill by dragging themselves up with the aid of bushes and bunches of grass, and, reaching the rocks above, found several insurgents there, who fired on them, but were soon put to flight. Tomkins then took position overlooking the entire rebei force and took them completely by surprise. The company on the hill and the sharpshooters on the knoll poured in a murderous fire, and at the same time March, with three com-panies, charged up the hill, shooting and yelling. The insurgents broke from behind the rocks and trenches and fled up the trail and into the thick underbrush, and the fight was over.

Their forces were not large, probabily not over 200, but only 25 passed in retreat over the trail through Augagui to Ceventes. The remainder were killed and wounded or escaped into the General Pilar's body was found in the road, where his men had been compelled to asandon it. The American loss was two killed and nine wounded. Part of the battle was fought in the clouds, as a heavy mist settled over the mountains, concealing the trail.

Insurgents Retreating South.

Manila, Jan. 16 .- Part of General J. C. Bates' troops are operating about Lake Taal. The insurgents continue to retreat south. Colonel Hayes, with the Fourth cavalry, is suppose have reached Lipa, where many Span-ish prisoners are held. Colonel Ander-son, with the Thirty-eighth infantry, took Talls Sunday, on the north shore of the lake, with but little opposition. Major Cheatham, with a battalion of the Thirty-seventh, on his way to San Pablo, dispersed 400 insurgents, whom the cavalry are pursuing toward Al-minos. A troop of the Third cavalry lost two men killed and three wounded in an encounter with the insurgents near San Fernando de la Union Jan. 12.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Wednesday, Jan. 10.

Cornelius Shew and James J. Eagan the murderers of Jack Pepper, were hanged at Montrose, Pa., yesterday. Louise Masset, a French governess

who murdered her illegitimate child. was hanged at Newgate, London, yes-

In a prize fight at New York Terry Mc-Govern, of Brooklyn, defeated George Dixon, featherweight champion for nine years.

The handsome New York residence of Joseph Pulitzer, of the New York World, was gutted by fire. Mrs. Jellett, housekeeper, and Miss Montgomery, nurse, were suffocated.

The refusal of the Transvaal government to allow the United States consul at Pretoria to represent British interests is regarded at Washington as a violation of civilized custom.

Thursday, Jan. 11. General Felipe Berriozabal, Mex-

ico's minister of war, is dead. Several new cases of yellow fever have broken out at Vera Cruz, Mex.

A conference of anti-imperialists will be held in Philadelphia on Feb. 22. The trial of the legislative bribery cases at Harrisburg has been postponed until March 23.

Rev. Aloysius Schyns, head of the Order of Alexian Brothers in this country, is dead in Chicago.

Tokio, Japan, is undergoing a thorough house cleaning, in view of the threatened invasion of the plague. Julia Morrison James, the actress who killed Frank Leidenheimer on the stage at Chattanooga, Sept. 23, was acquitted by the jury. She will lecture.

Fridny, Jan. 12. In a storm and tidal wave which swept the Japanese coast Dec. 24 nearly 600 lives were lost.

State Senator William Goebel, of Kentucky, is to marry a daughter of United States Senator Blackburn. Both Secretary Root and ex-Secre-

tary Bliss announce that they are not candidates for the vice presidency. William Brown, colored, who killed his wife in Philadelphia over a year

ago, was hanged in Moyamensing prison yesterday. Colonel Bullard's Thirty-ninth in-

fantry, in a fight with Filipinos near Calambia, killed 24 and captured 60. American loss, one killed and two wounded.

Saturday, Jan. 13.

The fund for the relief of General Lawton's family has reached over \$80,-

Prof. James Martineau, the eminent Unitarian theologian, died in London resterday, aged 95.

Frederick Kratter, the absconder who was arrested in this country, tried to commit suicide after reaching Cracow, Poland.

Mr. W. W. Ogilvie, the millionaire miller of Canada, fell dead on the street in Montreal after attending a meeting of the directors of the Bank of Montreal.

Mrs. B. A. Price, the mother-in-law Attorney General Griggs, died at Mr. Griggs' home in Paterson, N. J., yester-day afternoon, aged 66. She came from Ohio to visit her daughter some months ago, and was taken ill.

Monday, Jan. 15. The United Mine Workers conven-

tion at Indianapolis will demand increased wages. Our agricultural exports from 1894

to 1898, inclusive, had an annual value

years in the penitentiary. Dread of hydrophobia drove Frank Conrick, secretary of the Builders' and

Trades' Exchange, at Chicago, to commit suicide by shooting. Louis August, the soldier of Fort Monroe, Va., who killed Annie Bene-

dict, his sweetheart, was sentenced to 18 years in the penitentiary at Norfolk. James House, of Blue Mound, Ills., while being treated for alcoholism at St. Louis, nearly killed Albert Dehrin, his nurse, and leaped two stories to death.

John J. Albright, of Buffalo, will present to the city a \$300,000 art gal-

The condition of Governor Mc Laurin, of Mississippi, ill with penumonia, is critical.

Between Jan. 1 and 9 there were 9 new cases of bubonic plague in Honolulu, a total of 22.

Thomas Egleston, professor of min-erology in Columbia university, died in New York, aged 68.

An ordinance in Chicago's council offers \$200 reward for every highwayman or housebreaker killed in the act, Marion Manola Mason, the comic opera singer, has filed suit for divorce from her husband, John Mason, the

actor, on statutory grounds. Charles E. Macrum, formerly United States consul at Pretoria, left Port Said for Naples on board the steamer Koenig yesterday on his way home.

THE PRODUCE MARKETS.

Philadelphia, Jan. 15.-Flour weak; winter superfine, \$2.25@2.40; Pennsylvania roller, clear, \$3.10@3.20; city mills, extra, \$2.50@2.70. Rye flour quiet and steady at \$3.15@3.35 per barrel. Wheat dull; No. 2 red, spot, in elevator, 65@70c. Corn quiet; No. 2 mixed, spot, in elevator, 374@374c.; No. 2 yellow, for local trade, 384c. Oats steady; No. 2 white, clipped, 3140314c.; lower grades, 28030c. Hay steady; choice timothy, \$15@16.50 for large bales. Beef steady; beef hams, \$22@22.50. Pork firm; family, \$14@14.50. Lard firm; western cline; western creamery, 21625c.; factory, tion creamery, 19@23c.; New York dairy, 19624c.; do. creamery, 21625c.; fanc Pennsylvania prints jobbing at 29632c do. wholesale, 28c. Cheese firm; fall made, fancy, large and small, 12% \$13c.; large, late made, 11%@12c.; small do. do. 12@124c. Eggs steady; New York Pennsylvania, 20c.; western ungraded, at mark, 14618c.; western, 20

York, Jan. 15.—Beeves higher; all sold; steers, \$4,90@5.00; no choice cattle here; oxen and stags, \$2,40@4.75; bulls, \$3@4; cows, \$1,90@4; cables quoted Ameri-\$164; cows, \$1.9064; cables quoted American cattle easy. Calves steady to firm; all sold; veals, \$563.25; tops, \$2.50; little calves, \$464.50; barnyard calves, \$2.506 \$.25. Good sheep steady; common weak; lambs 10615c. lower; sheep, \$364.75; one car choice, \$5; culls, \$262.75; lambs, \$5.50 \$6.50; Canada lambs, \$5.50.50; culls, \$46 \$1.50. Hogs slow and weak; good to choice hogs, \$4.7564.55; western pigs, \$4.7064.75.

THE MAZETERS REPORT.

The Evils in New York as Seen by the Investigators' Majority.

THE MAN BEHIND THE MAYOR.

Without Mentioning Croker the Matority Spenks of His Arbitrary Power in Municipal Affairs-Minority, in Turn, Pay Respects to Platt.

Albany, Jan. 16.-The reports of the majority and minority members of the Mazet investigating committee were presented last night to the assembly. The majority report says:

"In many of the offices and departments in New York city grave evils were disclosed. For such as were administrative in their nature the remedy must be sought at the ballot box, and not at the hands of the legislature. The one clear and distinct fact trought out by this investigation is that we have in this great city the most perfect instance of centralized party government yet known.

"We see the central power, not the man who sits in the mayor's chair, but the man who stands behind it. We see the same arbitrary power dictating appointments, directing officials, controlling boards, lecturing members of the legislature and the municipal assembly. We see an enormous and ever increasing crowd of office holders, with ever increasing salaries. We see the powers of government prostituted to protect criminals, to demoralize the police, to debauch the public conscience and to turn governmental functions into channels for private gain. The proof is conclusive, not that the public treasury has been directly robbed, but that great opportunities have been given, by manipulation of public offices, to enable favored individuals to work for their own personal benefit.

"The present mayor has not conceived his duties to be as contemplated by the charter commission. It is a fair inference, from all the evidence, that he has practically abdicated his powers and exercises merely a registering function of the determination of the leaders of the party which elected him. We are strongly of the opinion that the mayor's term is too long and advise that it should be shortened to two years, to take effect with the

next incumbent. "The conduct of the present police department of the city of New York is unqualifiedly bad. Not only are the laws against poolrooms, gaming houses, policy shops, excise violations, dance halls and wicked resorts of all kinds not enforced, or enforced such a way as to be ridiculously ineffective, but the general discipline is lax, grave offenses of personal dereliction in the way of drunkenness, ab-

sence from post, inattention to duty, ..., go unpunished or are visited with such small fines as almost to be an encouragement and not a deterrent for

wrong doing. "Robberies, bunco games, deceits, frauds, thefts, have increased in an alarming degree, and the detection of

these crimes and the recovery of property has steadily decreased during the last two years. "We believe that the great mass of the rank and file of the departmen Frank Dore, who killed his wife and under proper leadership would exe-

a girl near Murphysboro, Ills., got 45 cute all the laws with courage and vigilance, but it is not in the nature of things that subordinates dependent upon their superiors for continuance and promotion in rank should conduct themselves in direct opposition to the clearly known views of superiors." The minority report says:

"As to the report of the majority in general we feel justified in claiming that it is grossly unfair conspicuously partisan, coarse in language, vituperative in temper and absolutely unjus tified except by the reckless disergard and perversion of the proof adduced before your committee. The committee was from the beginning discredited before the people. The partisan purpose of its creation was universally recognized. A most striking illustration of the partisan arrogance and hypocrisy which has dominated the committee from its very inception is to be found in the paragraphs of the report wherein the majority give expression of the pharisaical indignation with which their souls are filled upon discovering that there is a boss system associated with our politics.

"But even in this the majority lack both the courage and the candor to point at the typical, though 'easy, boss. They may try to mask and conceal him in quite the same subservient manner that they protected him from the subpoena of the committee, and refused our insistent demand that he should be called to the stand as a most unique, necessary and desirable exhibit. The people demanded, in spirit of fair play, that the boss of our state politics should be questioned as to the source and sanction of the authority which he admittedly exercises, as to his identification with the 'family law firm' and his personal profits therefrom, as to his accumulations by reason of his political connections and political domination, as to whether the signing of the Ramapo water bill increased his income, as to whether the failure of the Astoria gas grab had disappointed his financial expectations. The people's call for the production and examination of the state boss was both loud and long, but without effect."

To Protect Cuban Forests.

Havana, Jan. 16.-General Rius Rivera, secretary of agriculture, industry and commerce, has addressed a communication to General Wood advising that steps be taken immediately to protect the Cuban forests belonging to the public domain. He urges that he be empowered to appoint six inspectors, at a salary of \$2,000 each, with instructions to locate public property and to consult with the officers of the rural guard in the various provinces as to the best methods of preserving the trees, which are now being used at the pleasure of the first person who desires to cut them, the result being in many parts of the island a whole mie destruction of young trees.

ITEMS OF STATE NEWS.

Allentown, Pa., Jan. 13.-Allen Riets. aged 25 years, and a boy, aged 17 years old, known as "Philadelphia Johnnie," went to sleep Thursday night in the office of John Biery & Son, lime burners, in East Allentown, and were found dead in the morning. They were as-phyxiated by the gas from the kilns.

Dubois, Pa., Jan. 13.-Robert Kane, 20 years of age, shot and instantly killed Steve Carri, about the same age, in the Hotel Lafayette, at Driftwood. Carri was sitting in the hotel office when Kane came in injoxicated. dispute arose and Kane drew a revolver and fired, the ball taking elect in Carri's head, and he fell to the floor dead. Kane was arrested.

Lancaster, Pa., Jan. 16.-An examination by E. M. Ranck, an expert employed by the state veterinary board, disclosed tuberculocis in the cattle ewned by Davd and John F. Wenger. at Weaverland, this county, and yesterday the entire herd of 11 valuable cows were killed to prevent the spread of the dread disease. The cows had the appearance of perfect health. Farmers are greatly alarmed.

Philadelphia, Jan. 16.-A special to The Press from Columbia, Pa., says: W. J. Strickler, assistant freight moster of the Pennsylvania railroad, received notice yesterday that the irainmen had been granted an advance in wages from the first of the year. About 500 men will be benefited by the increase. The advance in wages is the result of numerous conferences between the heads of the different railroad organizations and the officials of the company.

Pittsburg, Jan. 15 .- A conservative estimate of the coal in the harbor awaiting shipment south yesterday morning placed the amount at 8 000,-000 bushels. Of this amount 1,395,000 bushels were started down the river yesterday, every available towboat here being pressed into the service. The majority of the coal is destined for Louisville and New Orleans. The strike of marine firemen, inaugurated Saturday, does not seem to have in-convenienced the owners in any appreciable degree.

Philadelphia, Jan. 16.—Three of the eight men recently indicted for ballot box frauds in the Twelfth division of the Fifth ward will be arraigned in the quarter sessions court tomorrow. The three men were in court yesterday and were to have pleaded, but on application of counsel the arraignment was postponed on the plea that counsel did not have sufficient time to examine the indictments. The other five men connected with the Fifth ward frauds, incirding ex-Deputy Coroner Salter, have not yet been apprehended. It is

said they have fied to Mexico. Shamokin, Pa., Jan. 15.-A branch of the Brothernood of Railroad Trainmen was organized here yesterday afternoon by Valentine Fitzpatrick, of Cleveland, third vice grand master of the organization. A large number of men from different railroads became members, including 31 from the Philadelphia and Reading Railway company. Last week a number of employes of the railroad were discharged for attempt-ing to organize the lodge here. Mr. Fitzpatrick will recommend that a boycott be instituted against the company unless the men are reinstated.

Philadelphia, Jan. 13.—Bishop Ozi W. Whitaker, of the Protestant Epis-copal diocese of Pennsylvania, left here yesterday for New York, whence he will sail today for Havana. He is accompanied by his wife and the Rev. Dr. Powers, of the general church missionary board. Bishop Whittaker has under his control the missionary schools of the Protestant Episcopal church established on that island, and he intends to make a thorough survey of the ground already gone over and that yet to be covered. The bishop intends to spend a month or more on

the island. Wilmerding, Pa., Jan. 13 .- A monster freight wreck occurred here last evening on the Pennsylvania road. Freight No. 808, eastbound, with 75 cars, broke in two just when it reached this point, and 30 cars were derailed and piled high at the side of the track. The whole freight was made up of merchandise cars, and the wrecked cars are piled 75 feet high. All of the train crew has reported safe, and it is not known yet whether any one is under the wreck, but it is thought not. The accident occurred on but a slight grade, which probably saved it from

being more complete. Philadelphia, Jan. 13.—Chairman Mark A. Hanna and Joseph H. Manley of Maine, H. C. Payne of Wisconsin and United States Senator N. B. Scott of West Virginia, who constitute the sub-committee of the national Republican committee having in charge the arrangements for holding the national convention here in June, arrived in this city last night. They were accompanied by National Committeeman R. C. Kerens of Missouri and Charles Dick of Ohio, the secretary of the national committee. The visitors today inspected the auditorium of the recent National Export exposition, in West Philadelphia, where the convention will be held, and pronounced it eminently satisfactory.

Deserted Wife Pleads For Husband. Washington, Jan. 16.—Senator McEnery and Representative Meyers, of Louisiana, called at the White House yesterday and presented the petition of Mrs. Homer Bird, of Louisiana, for the commutation of the death sentence of her husband, who was convicted of murdering two mining companions in Alaska. Bird, it is said, deserted his wife in New Orleans, and in company with another woman and a number of men went to Alaska. A quarrel followed, resulting in the shooting of both men. The deserted wife went to Alaska on learning of the trouble her recreant husband was in, and then came to Washington to try to secure the commutation of his sentence on the ground that he acted in self defense.

Brutal London Brokers

London, Jan. 16.-A disgraceful scene occurred on the Stock Exchange yesterday. When Maurice Herzfelder, of the big stock broking firm of Kahn & Herzfelder, doing considerable New York business, appeared on the ex-change he was mobbed, knocked down and kicked because, as alleged, he had refused to keep open the place of a clerk employed by him who had vol-unteered for service in South Africa-