

to an End.

And the Meetings of the Legislature to be Resumed at the State House in Frankfort-Funeral of the Murdered Democratic Governor.

Louisville, Feb. 6 .- A conference between accredited representatives of the two state governments was held at the Galt House in this city last night as ful settlement of the disturbed political conditions now existing. The Demo-crats at first were inclined to press their demands to the limit, requiring the withdrawal of troops from the state buildings at Frankfort, the recognition of Beckham as governor without any further action by the legislature, on the reports of the contest boards by which Goebel and Beckham were declared to have been elected, after which the main points in controversy were to be adjudicated by due process of law.

The Republicans showed no disposition to make such extreme conces-sions. They had elected to stand on the legality of Taylor's proclamation. though the statement to some extent of the belligerency of the authorities at Frankfort was reflected in their arguments. This had been expected since the release of Alonzo Walker after Taylor's military officers had refused to recognize a writ of habeas corpus in his cas

Shortly after midnight the conforces came to an agreement. A stenographer was summoned and a docu-



ment was drawn up for the signatures of the participants in the conference. It is said the agreement is decidedly favorable to the Democrats. Taylor is to withdraw the state troops from the state buildings at Frankfort and send them home. The order convening the legislature at London, Ky., is to be revoked and the regular sessions of the general assembly are to be resumed at the state capitel without molestation. It is believed the understanding arrived at will result in an amicable settlement of the dispute between the two parties in this state and do away with the dual governments now asserting themselves.

Taylor's representatives at the con-

fused to cash checks signed by the governor for the pay of the militia, and Warden Liller, of the Frankfort penitentiary, refused to release a prisoner pardoned by Taylor. Meantime, the legislature having been declared adjourned by Taylor, the Democratic majority has been prevented by the military from entering the state house. Today the body of William E. Goe-SOLDIERS TO BE WITHDRAWN bel is lying in state in Covington, and tomorrow it will lie in state in Frank-fort. The interment will take place in Frankfort, in the cemetery where Vice President Richard Johnson and several Kentucky governors are buried. The Democratic legislature will make

an appropriation for a monument, and this will be added to by private subscriptions.

### NICARAGUA CANAL TREATY.

England Agrees That Our Government Shall Have Absolute Control. Washington, Feb. 5 .- The United States and Great Britain have reached an amicable agreement respecting the operations of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty as affecting the right of construction and control by the United States of the proposed Nicaragua canal. The result marks the termination of conferences between the officials of the state department and Lord Pauncefote of fully a year's duration, during which a number of meetings were held and the subject fully discussed by the representatives of the governments interested. Great Britain agrees to a modification of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, by which she practically relinquishes any claims respecting a dual control of the Nicaragua canal after it shall have been constructed. The result, therefore, is to eliminate that feature of the treaty bearing on the subject of dual control and to leave the United States free to construct and therefore control this great interoceanic waterway. The substitute treaty was formally signed today by Secretary Hay for the United States and Ambassador Pauncefote for Great Britain.

Chiengo's Big Building Strike Begun Chicago, Feb. 6 .- At a meeting of the Building Trades council here yesterday labor difficulties reached what is thought to be a crisis. The business agents of the hod carriers and building laborers was ordered to call off the men at work on every building in Chicago where the new rules of the building contractors' council were posted. As nearly every firm of building contractors in Chicago is bound by the rules of the contractors' council, this means that 6,000 men will be ordered to strike. In addition to this number 8,000 carpenters, it is asserted, will walk out next Saturday. Already 2,000 plumbers are out.

Ballington Booth Denounces England Buffalo, Feb. 5.-Ballington Booth, commander-in-chief of the Volunteers of America, said at a public meeting yesterday: "I do not believe the sun patch from that point appears in this in Heaven ever shone on a more just war than that of the United States against Spain. But could it be said that the sun ever shone on a more unjust war than the one between Great Britain and the Transvaal? I'ta an Englishman by birth and education and with all her faults I have some

unjust war." To Prevent Railroad Wars. New York, Feb. 6.-The Herald

# BULLER'S SLOW MARCH

A Military Authority Thinks He Is Making a Wide Detour.

## **BOBERTS REBUKES PRESIDENTS.**

Kruger and Steyn Had Complained of British Destruction of Property, But the British Commander Denies the Charge.

London, Feb. 6 .- Military opinion in London continues to assume, from very slender materials, that General Buller is again throwing his army against the Boer works. A retired general, Sir William Henry Green, whose distinguished career gives weight to his opinion, thinks that General Buller, with 25,000 men, is making a wide detour to the west and north in order to avoid the roughest parts of the country. As General Bul-ler must have some thousands of wagons, Sir William Green points out that the advance would necessarily be slow.

No authentic word is at hand, save that the war office reaffirmed orally to newspaper inquirers at a late hour that it could not confirm the reported advance. There the Natal situation rests.

It is from the western field that more definite statements come. Large operations are apparently about to begin. General French, who has now returned to Rensburg from his conference with Lord Roberts, has sent what is described as an overwhelming force of infantry to seize Norval's Point. This is where the railway, before it was destroyed, crossed the Orange river and connected with the Free State Trunk line with Bloemfontein. Norval's Point is 19 miles north of Colesburg and 25 miles from General French's headquarters at Rensburg. The Boers at Colesberg have been in danger of being surrounded by the largely reinforced and extending lines of the British. An occupation of Norval's Point in force would presumably

render Colesberg untenable. The Boers are showing great act!vity in the Naauwpoort and Colesberg districts. Many of the guns hitherto facing Lord Methuen are believed to have gone to Norval's Point. The British, therefore, may find formidable bodies of Boers there.

The war office announces that 15 transports will be dispatched between today and Monday with 13,000 troops, including the Fourth cavalry brigade, militia battalions and 3,000 yeomanry. with 258 horses and six guns. These 13,000 are not included in the 180,000 due to be in South Africa on Feb. 15. The censorship seems to have completely shut down the correspond-

morning's papers and nothing has been allowed to issue since Sunday evening. According to a dispatch from Cape Town President Steyn and President

Kruger have communicated with Field Marshal Lord Roberts, the British commander-in-chief, protesting against the destruction of farm houses and the devastation of property. Lord Roberts, in replying, declared the charges were not sustained, adding that wanton destruction of property was contrary to British practices. Lord Roberts says further: "I regret to say that it is the Republican forces which are in some

## WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Wednesday, Jan. 31. The Independent Order of Foresters has been placed in the hands of a receiver.

Influenza is rampant in Italy. The queen is suffering slightly from the prevailing disease.

Charles Franklin Dunbar, professor of political economy at Harvard col- HAS GONE TO HIS OHIO HOME, lege, died in Cambridge.

The population of Porto Rico is plac-Failed to Meet Secretary Hay and ed in the preliminary enumeration as 957,679. The last census, taken in 1887, showed a population of 806,708.

The electric plant and laboratories of the Bellaire (O.) Steel works were destroyed by fire, and 2,000 men are thrown out of employment temporarily. During a tornado an express train on the New Foundland railroad was lifted off the track and deposited in a bog some distance away. Fire destroy-ed the colonial mail for Canada and the United States. Nobody was hurt. Thursday, Feb. 1.

Porto Rico is to have a delegate in Congress.

congress, talks of suing for salary and mileage. The Naval Register discloses the

fact that Schley precedes Sampson two numbers. The Republican national committee

decides that state conventions should nominate all presidential electors. House elections committee No. 3, de-

cided in favor of seating Wise, the contestant, for the Second Virginia congressional district.

ed a bill to make the proceedings of the Grand Army of the Republic a part of the public records of the United States.

Friday, Feb. 2.

David O. Watkins has been appointed United States district attorney for New Jersey.

promised to be back here soon, perhaps before the end of the present week, and said he then would make a formal report to the state department.

Louis resulted in the death of Sister Stanislaus and little Mary Foley. Macrum assured the newspaper men, In Clamorganshire, Wales, a young who stopped him, if he had any state-

woman has married her fifth husband ment at all to make to the press (and he was not sure that he would) in 18 months, the first four having he probably would make it public upon died. his return to Washington. Some of

Julius Schroeter is under arrest in the persons here who are familiar with New York, charged with securing loans aggregating \$68,000 on forged Virginia bonds.

The Virginia Democratic legislative very much broken and lacked the vim that formerly characterized him. caucus decided to order a vote on the question of calling a convention to frame a new constitution for the state.

Saturday, Feb. 3. The vote of trainmen on the Great

Northern Pacific railway has averted the anticipated strike on that system. Mr. Adelbert S. Hay, the United States consul at Pretoria, left Lorenzo

post. George N. Wiswell, of Milwaukee, has been selected as sergeant-at-arms of the Philadelphia Republican convention.

The conference of miners and employers at Indianapolis agreed on u wage scale, thus averting a threatened monster strike.

A partial strike of coal miners has broken out in the Wurm district of Germany, and it is thought this may

was sentenceu at Chicago to five years imprisonment and \$1,000 fine, the ex-

# AN EX-CONSUL'S SECRET KEYSTONE HAPPENINGS.

Secretary

Did Not Feel Inclined to Submit His

Message to Assistant Secretary

Mr. Macrum Will Keep It For a News Items of Interest From All Parts of the State. Few Days Longer.

### PHILADELPHIA BALLOT FRAUDS.

Three of the Fraudulent "Election Officers" Convicted by a Jury-Serious Explosion of Natural Gas at an **Oll Hamlet.** 

Philadelphia, Feb. 3.-Samuel R. Markley and Joseph F. Hogan, white, and Frank Taylor, alias Pierce, colored, were found guilty last night of conspiracy to make a false count and false return of votes cast at the November election, last year, in the Twelfth division of the Fifth ward. Markley was the assessor of the division, and was charged with having nearly a hundred fraudulent names upon his list of qualified voters. The other two men acted in the places of the regularly elected election officers. who were shown by the prosecution to be myths. There were 252 votes returned as cast, of which 60 were supposed to have been vouched for, but many of the vouchers were shown to be fraudulent. The prosecution also showed that a large number of persons whose names were on the registry list had not voted, yet were returned as having done so. It was also shown that a number of votes cast as Democratic and been returned as Republican. The return of the vote for state treasurer made by these eloction officers was: Barnett (Rep.). 247; Creasy (Dem.), 4,

### Serious Vatural Gas Explosion.

Bradford, Pa., Feb. 5.-Four persons were seriously injured, one fatally hurt and a hotel wrecked by a natural gas explosion at Rew City, an oil himlet in this vicinity, Saturday night. Gas from a broken pipe connection had collected under the floor. A youth lighting a cigarette ignited the gas, which had worked up through a crack. The explosion that followed threw the occupants of the room in various directions. Walter Williams was hurled against the ceiling with terrific force. He has since been unconscious, and will not recover. Concussion of the brain, bruises and lacerations all over his body comprise his injuries. front portion of the hotel was blown out and the interior wrecked.

#### A GIRL'S AWFUL SUICIDE

As he left the state department Mr.

#### Only Fifteen Years Old, Her Father Opposed Her Choice.

his appearance when he first went out

to the Transvaal said that he looked

Albany, Feb. 6 .- Kate Farone, an Italian girl, 15 years old, committed suicide in a horrible manner at Mechanicsville Sunday because her father forbade her to marry Michael Ricceo. She had two lovers, Ricceo and Francesco Cervera. The two were at the house Sunday, and a heated argument ensued. Suddenly the girl broke away and ran upstairs. A'few moments af-ter a shot was heard, and on running to the girl's room she was found dead. She had killed herself with a shotgun owned by Cervera. She had seated herself on the floor, raised the hammer of one of the barrels and placed the muzzle of the weapon against her abdomen. Then she had hooked the ringed end of a poker over the trigger and exploded the gun, sending a charge of bird shot through her body. The

Clergyman Resigned by Request. Lancaster, Pa., Feb. 5.-Rev. Perry J. Robottom has resigned as rector f St. James' Episcopal church. Some time ago the vestry requested his resignation, alleging that his usefulners to the church was at an end. The minister has been given unpleasant notoriety through his alleged relations with a young woman parishioner. This scandal, however, vestrymen of the church declare did not influence their action, which they said was induced by his extensive indebtedness to trefan en, including liquor doalers.

## Charged With Infanticide.

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Lancaster, Pa., Feb. 3.-Lena Koehler, a young single woman of this city, was arrested last night on a charge of murdering an infant child of her sister Maggie, also single. The child was-born Thursday night, and apparently was healthy. Yesterday when the at-tending physician called at the house a said it had died of convule wo slons, and that they had given it to a man to bury. When officers went to the house the women produced the dead child. The mother will also bearrested.

Marques yesterday on his way to his

become general in that locality.

Walter L. Farnsworth, the bigamist,



WILLIAM E. GOEBEL.

ference were Lieutenant Governor John Marshall, Attorney David Fai-leigh, General Dan Lindsey, T. H.

love for England still. But my respect for her would be deeper and truer had she not entered into this uncalled and

#### Washington, Feb. 6 .- Mr. Macrum has come and gone, and the reason for his leaving Pretoria when duty seemed to demand his presence at that capital remains as deep a mystery as ever, and must so remain probably for another

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week. The ex-consul's appearance was awaited at the state department week. with interest. Just before noon yesterday Representative Tayler, of whose congressional district Mr. Macrum is a resident, called at the department and Roberts, Mormonite, rejected by spent some time in conference with As-sistant Secretary Hill, and was followed late in the afternoon by Mr. Mocrum, who came alone. Hay, who had an exhausting day, had

gone, so the ex-consul was obliged to pay his respects to Dr. Hill. His stay was short, about 20 minutes perhaps and he left Dr. Hill as much in the dark as he had been before as to Mr. Macrum's motive for leaving Pretoria Nor did it develop whether or not Mr. Macrum was the bearer of any message from Kruger. He did not mention

Senator Penrose yesterday introducthe subject to Dr. Hill. Mr. Macrum said nothing as to his reasons for appearing in Washington, but asked that he be permitted to go to his home in East Liverpool, O., for a

few days to attend to some matters or business which were pressing, and to rest. Dr. Hill had no objection, and Macrum left for Ohio last night. He Rev. Madison C. Peters, of New

York, is to join the Baptist church, as he opposes infant baptism. Fire in a parochial school in St.

Edelin, Judge Robert Barr and Postmaster T. H. Baker, of this city.

For the Democrats there were pres ent Senator-elect Blackburn, ex-Governor J. B. McCreary, Judge Robert J. Breckinridge and Colonel Phil Thomp-

A large number of telegrams and etters of congratulation have poured in upon Democratic Governor Becknam, all addressed to the governor of Kentucky. One of these, from Colonel C. E. Smith, of Culpepper, Va., offers the services of 900 men "to see justice meted out." J. B. Gosborn, of the Kansas Democratic state committee, telegraphed: "The Democrats of the nation are at your back. Stick " In his office in the state house at

Frankfort last night Republican Governor Taylor made a distinct and pos-



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W. S. TAYLOR.

itive offer to submit the merits of his claim to the gubernatorial chair of Kentucky to any three fair minded nd in men in the world, these three men to Com depreme court. He will allow them to sticcarbitrate the case and will abide by danc their decision.

eriff Since the shooting of Gobel by an Janassassin hidden in a state building, on sassin hidden in a state building, on rif. Tuesday of last week, each day has brought some radical action on the part of both Republicans and Demod E only legal governor. Two men are in (Snyiail at Louisville on suspicion, but Home seems to be no evidencion, but crats, each side claiming to support the re seems to be no evidence aga lither. One of these is Harland Whit-taker, a farmer of "Governor" Taylor's

man forme county, and the other is James man Sutton, sheriff of Whiteley county, a bitter opponent of "Governor" Goebel.

been The swearing in of Goebel as governor, one batter the majority of the legislature enformed declared him legally elected, took ame time J. C. W. Beckham was worn in as lieutenant governer. The ituation was further complicated last saturday night by the death of Goebel Baturday night by the death of Goebel A start and a second start and the swearing in of Beckham as overaor. The troops who were called o Frankfort by Taylor's order were releved to disperse by Goebel as soon in the latter took the oath of office, but the Goebel order has been ignored. Two to Taylor's official acts were ignored on transfer. President Rodman, of the barnery bank, a state depository, re-

says: It is the plan of Pennsylvania cases guilty of carrying on the war in is a part of the general Vanderbilt-Pennsylvania's scheme which has for its object an alliance of all the railroads of the east having seaboard terminals, whereby the eastern rate situation will be so securely held in the hands of the dominant interests that pulsion." railroad wars will be impossible.

#### Mrs. Blake's Ambition.

New York, Dec. 6 .- Mrs. Lillie Devereaux Blake last night announced her candidacy for the presidency of the National Woman Suffrage association at the national convention of the association, which meets on Thursday at Washington. There have been only two elections in the association since t was founded in 1869, the election of Elizabeth Cady Stanton as the first president, and the endorsement of Miss Anthony, who had been acting as president for a long time and was chosen without any opposition.

#### William E. Cotter Pardaned.

Washington, Feb. 6.-The president has granted a pardon to William E. Cotter, who pleaded guilty in 1898 to the charge of defrauding the National Bank of Delaware at Dover, and was sentenced to 18 months in the penitentiary and to pay a fine of \$5,000. The prisoner is afflicted with an incurable disease of the heart, and his life would be endangered by further confinement.

Sunk in a Gale and Two Drowned. New York, Feb. 6 .- The barges Wilson and Mary Tyron were wrecked and sunk in Huntington bay, near Huntington, L. I., yesterday in a heavy The captain of the northwest gale. Wilson, John Finley, and his wife were drowned. Captain J. A. Cromwell, his wife and two small shildren, of the Mary Tyron, were rescued with difficulty.

Reported Serious Wreck in Ohio. Findlay, O., Feb. 6.-Word has just been received that a freight and passenger train on the Hocking Valley railroad collided at Carry, resulting in the death of a fireman, engineer, express messenger and two others. No further particulars are obtainable new.

Riotous Convict Guards Killed. Little Rock, Feb. 6.-Two convict guards, W. W. Harlan and A. J. Raiford, attempted Sunday night to terrorize the town of Portland, in Arthur They resisted the local ofcounty. fcers and both guards were shot and killed.

# Labor Candidate Counted In.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 6.-The re-Winnipeg bye-election was concluded yesterday and the result is that Mr. E. D. Martin, independent, is counted out and Mr. Puttee, the labor candi-date, is counted in by eight majority. White.

railroad and their allies, as represent- a manner not in accordance with ed by President A. L Cassatt, to ob-tain a voice in the management of the expulsion of loyal subjects of her the Norfolk and Western railway. This majesty from their homes in the invaded districts of this colony because they have refused to be commandeered by the invaders. It is barbarous to attempt to force men to take sides against their own sovereign and country by threats of spoliation and ex-

## CONGRESSMAN SIBLEY EXCITED.

Declares His Seat Constructively on the Republican Side.

Washington, Feb. 6.-The Democrats of the house continued their assoult upon the Philippine policy of the administration during the general debate upon the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill yesterday. Two speeches were made by Democratic members of the foreign affairs committee, Mr. Dinsmore of Arkansas and Mr. Champ Clark of Missouri, opposing the retention of the islands. speech of Mr. Clark, which lasted almost two hours, was a notable effort, replete with unique epigrams, and at-

tracted much attention. Mr. Sibley, of Pennsylvania, who was elected as a Democrat, but who made a speech last week defending expansion, was goaded yesterday into the announcement that the Democrats could consider his seat constructively on the Republican side.

Washington's Ancestors' Gravestones Washington, Feb. 6.-Representative Kahn, of San Francisco, has received a letter from Dr. Robert Davies, of that city, telling of the successful efforts he has made to secure from England the gravestone of Lawrence and Elizabeth Washington, ancestors of George Washington, which he desires to have deposited in the Washington monument or the Smithsonian Institution. Dr. Davies located the stone in the churchyard at Wiltshire, and has finally overcome all obstacles to bringing

#### The Cost of War.

here.

the relics to America. Mr. Kahn will

lay the matter before the authorities

Washington, Feb. 6.-Responding to a senate resolution the secretary of war reported yesterday the expenditures by the war department of the \$50,000,000 defense fund. The war de-partment expended \$16,525,564, divided among the different bureaus, the principal amounts being: Ordnance, \$6,849,459; engineering, \$5,576,083; quartermaster's bureau, \$1,987,427; pay department, \$1,477,872.

#### United States Senator Bard.

Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 6.-A secret peeting of the Burns forces decided to throw the entire Republican support for the senatorship to Thomas R. Bard, who received the caucus nomination. This action of the Burns forces assures Bard's election to the United States senate to succeed Stephen M.

treme penalty. He complains that the papers charged him with having 40 wives, while he had "only eight." Monday, Feb. 5.

William Stanley Hazeltine, the marine artist, died in New York, aged 64. Governor Poynter, of Nebraska, will fight the rich cattlemen's proposal to rent government land to the highest bidders.

Hon. E. J. Phelps, ex-minister to England, ill with pneumonia at New Haven, is recovering. Mrs. White, wife of the United

States ambassador at Berlin, is confined to her bad with influenza. Rev. Booker Fox, one of the most

noted negro evangelists in the west died yesterday at Ottumwa, Ia., aged 104 years. Fire in St. Louis destroyed nearly

four blocks, causing \$1,500,000 to \$2,-000,000 loss. Fireman Charles Mappes was killed.

Arthur Sewall, who was candidate for vice president with Bryan, predicts the Nebraskan's renomination and defeat.

In Buenos Ayres Saturday 102 sunstrokes were officially reported, 93 being fatal. The temperature was 120 in the shade.

Tuesday, Feb. 5.

It is reported in Peru that a cabinet crisis is imminent.

South Carolina now ranks second in the cotton mill industry.

The total number of men available for military duty in the United States, but unorganized, is 10,343,150; aggre-

Rumors of trouble in the Venezuelan cabinet give rise to the fear that another revolution in that much disturbed country is impending.

A wreck on the Western New York and Pennsylvania railroad 15 miles from Buttalo resulted in the death of Engineer A. A. Parkhurst and serious injuries to Fireman John Conley.

#### THE PRODUCE MARKETS.

Philadelphia, Feb. 5 .- Flour in light demand; winter superfine, \$2.3062.50; Penn-sylvania roller, clear, \$3.1063.20; city mills, extra, \$2.50@2.70. Rye flour quiet and steady at \$3.15@3.30 per barrel. Wheat steady; No. 2 red, spot, in elevator, 71@ 72c. Corn steady; No. 2 mixed, spot, in elevator, 35(238)(c.; No. 2 yellow, spot, in elevator, 40(240)(c. Oats sold fairly; No. 2 white, clipped, 313(622c.; lower grades, 28 G30c. Hay firm; choice timothy, \$16,50
for large bales. Beef firm; beef hams,
\$22622.50. Pork firm; family, \$14@14.50.
Lard firm; western steamed, \$6,35. Butter firmer; western creamery, 21626c.; do. factory, 16618%c.; June creamery, 196 23c.; imitation creamery, 17@22c.; New York dairy, 18@24%c.; do. creamery, 21@ Fork dairy, isg24;2c; do. creamery, 216 25c; fancy Pennsylvania prints jobbing at 27@30c.; do. wholesale, 25c. Cheese steady; fall made, fancy, large and small, 12%@13c.; late made, large, 11%@12c; do. do., small, 12@12%c. Eggs steady; New York and Pennsylvania, 17c.; western, 17c. Potations steady: Largay 21 5501 6516. Now Potatoes steady; Jersey; fl.261.624; New York, \$1.5091.574; Long Island, \$1.5062; Jersey sweets, \$2.562.75. Tallow firm; city, 54c.; country, 54654c. Cottonseed oll strong; ime crude, \$34c.

internal injuries were frightful. The casing enclosing the heart was ruptured, and pieces of corset steel were driven nearly through the body

#### Porto Rico Policeman Shot American

Ponce, Porto Rico, Feb. 6.-During a band concert on the plaza Sunday evening native policemen arrested Joseph S. Bigelow, Jr., of Boston, on account of leading a dog. At the jail, it is alleged, the native police made an attack on Bigelow, who was entirely unarmed. Finally Policeman Angel Arismendi shot Bigelow in the cheek, and then fied. The guards permitted him to escape, but stopped Felix A. McCarthy, an American, who was hotly pursuing Arismendi. Resident Americans are excited over the affair, and claim that there have been other cases of reckless and needless shooting on the part of the policemen. Arismendi and Chief of Police Simonpetri were arrested yesterday.

Schooner Capsized, Five Drowned. Norfolk, Feb. 6 .- Collector of Cus toms Hahn, at Newbern, N. C., has been notified by R. E. Cox. captain of the schooner Mary C. Ward, that his vessel was capsized last week, and Henry Credle, white, and Ed Mackey Squire Howard, Tom Collins and Frank Morris, all colored, drowned. Captain Cox and the two remaining members of the crew were completely exhausted when rescued.

Congressman Boutelle Nearly Well. Bangor, Me., Feb. 6.-A letter received yesterday by the friends of Congressman Boutelle convey the information that the physicians say his improvement has been so marked that he will be able to leave the sanitarium in a few weeks, entirely recovered.

#### Two Treaties Ratified.

Washington, Feb. 6 .- The senate in executive session ratified The Hague peace treaty, also the extradition treaty with Argentine Republic. Both were adopted without objection or division.



Dividend For Rending Stockholders.

Philadelphia, Feb. 6.-The executive committee of the Reading company (the official title of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad system) yesterday agreed to recommend to the board of directors that a semi-annual dividend of 1% per cent be declared on the first preferred stock of the company payable March 8. This is the first dividend declared on the preferred stock since 1893. There has been no dividend on the common stock since 1876.

#### **Boy Murdered in Philadelphia**.

Philadelphia, Feb. 5.-A 12-year-old boy named Hugh Dugan was found dead late Saturday night with hisskull crushed and about a dozen otherwounds on the head. The police arrested Charles Weisenborn, aged 15years, employed as a baker. near the dead boy's home, on suspicion of knowing something in regard to Dugan's death. Dugan's mother declares that Weisenborn had threatened to kill her son. Weisenborn has confessed.

#### Two Entombed in a Mine.

Pottsville, Pa., Feb. 6.-Carmei Popa, of Ebervale, and John Trivas, of Hazleton, were entombed in Oakdale colliery yesterday by a fall of rock. It is believed that both are dead. The men, with others, were at work near the gangway when thousands of tons of rock caved in without warning. Several other miners had narrow escapes Popa leaves a wife and four children. Trivas was unmarried.

Resumed After Two Years' Idleness Hollidaysburg, Pa., Feb. 5 .- The-Hollidaysburg Iron and Nail company, after two years' idleness. resumed operations this morning. Philadelphia capitalists have assumed control and will operate the Hollidaysburg hosiery factory. The two plants employ 300.

#### PENNSYLVANIA NEWS BREVITIES.

John Sherer, of Philadelphia, in a fit of jealousy, shot his wife and killed himself.

Fire bosses of the Philadelphia and Reading mines have had their wages raised \$5 a month.

Charles Tyng, of Wilkesbarre, who mysteriously disappeared from Cuba, has been located in Mexico.

The employes of Shamokin's silk mill are working 15 hours a day. A hundred. additional hands have been employed.

John Cook, a Philadelphia fire engine driver, was thrown from his engine and killed by collision with a street CBT.

Augusto Morel and Antonio Robert, anarchists who wounded Policemen Kays and Snyder in Scranton last July, are under arrest in Montreal.

William Pasco, 52 years old, broke through the ice while skating on the Schuylkill at Philadelphia, and was drowned. His daughter was rescued un-,