

ROBERTS' FIRST MOVE.

Will Lead Thirty-five Thousand Britons Into the Free State.

AGAINST THE FORCES OF ORONJE.

Kimberley Is in Sore Straits, the December Death Rate Showing an Appalling Mortality—Japan Aids England by Transferring Warships

London, Feb. 13.—Lord Roberts has gathered 35,000 men, with whom, according to the best military opinion in London, he purposes turning the left of the Magersfontein lines near Jacobsdal, entering the Free State, compelling General Cronje to raise the siege of Kimberley, and thus making his first step toward Bloemfontein.

Yesterday Lord Roberts announced the appointment of General Sir Henry Colville, hitherto commander of the Chards Brigade, to the command of the Ninth Division, which is being formed and will consist probably to a great extent of colonial troops. General Colville will be succeeded by General Reginald Pole-Carew.

Lord Roberts tells the correspondents that when he gets down to business they shall have ample opportunity to send news. His chief press censor yesterday issued new rules, and in future all written communications are to go unchecked. Only telegrams will be censored. For the next few days little news is likely to get through, but later there will be more freedom. Thus says the censor, and the last clause may be interpreted to mean that something is about to happen.

Kimberley, 20 miles away from the Modder river position, is in sore straits. Details of the December death rate show that in a population of 14,000 whites and 19,000 blacks and mortality was 60 whites and 138 blacks per 1,000. The infantile death rate was 671 per 1,000 among the whites and 912 per 1,000 among the blacks. Enteric fever was prevalent. This frightful state of things in December cannot have improved much, if at all, since, and the fighting power of the garrison must have been greatly diminished.

Meanwhile the bombardment by the Boers has increased, and there is imminent danger of the town falling under the very eyes of Lord Roberts. It is believed in circles close to the war office that he will move at once.

Scouts have approached within a thousand yards of the Boer entrenchments at Magersfontein. They have found these strong and ascertained that they are used as dwelling places. Naval gunners are constantly watching the enemy's lines with strong glasses, and they declare that there is an appreciable diminution in the Boer forces.

In Natal the Boer commandos south of the Tugela occupy Bold's Farm and several mines west of Chieveley. Two thousand Boers, with three guns, are advancing through Zululand toward Natal.

The war office is making preparations to continue the stream of troops for South Africa. Four large steamers have been chartered. Japan agrees to let the Armstrongs transfer to England four naval quick rifles that were built for her, consenting to wait for the execution of her own order until the hostilities in South Africa are over. Several European powers, by similar consents as to guns being constructed by Vickers' Sons & Maxim, enable England to secure 100 Maxims.

Two thousand men are constantly employed at Woolwich arsenal, and all the guns and ammunition factories are working night and day to execute government orders. The weekly output of four firms is 4,000,000 rounds.

Outside of the requirements for South Africa Great Britain is accumulating immense stores of war material. Considerable divergence of opinion exists as to the adequacy of the government's military proposals, even now.

The Anti-Trust Platform.

Chicago, Feb. 13.—Last night, at the close of the first day's proceedings of the anti-trust conference, good progress had been made with the set speeches, of which a dozen or more were delivered. The resolutions committee was busy, while the main body of the delegates were listening to the speeches, and a set of resolutions was formulated by the committee covering the following points: Government ownership of all the railways and telegraph lines; the abolition of all special privileges by legislative enactment; placing on the free list all trust goods; and direct legislation by petition from the people.

Prussia's Department Store Tax.

Berlin, Feb. 13.—The text of the government bill specially taxing department stores in Prussia was published yesterday. This shows that sales from 500,000 marks upward are to be taxed 2 per cent, rising to 5 per cent with each increase of a million. This measure is due primarily to Dr. von Miquel, Prussian minister of finance, although Prince Hohenlohe recently remarked to a press correspondent: "These department stores are a very dubious institution."

A Noted Artist Dying.

New York, Feb. 13.—William H. Beard, the famous painter of animals, dying at his home in this city. He was 75 years old. After the first of the year his constitution began to weaken, and on Jan. 27 he suffered an apoplexy. For a few days it seemed there was a chance of his recovery, but hope has been abandoned.

The Navy Governs Tutuila Island.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The president has issued an executive order placing Tutuila Island under the control of the navy department. Assistant Secretary Allen is charged with the administration of this and other islands under the jurisdiction of the navy department.

India's Starvation Increasing.

London, Feb. 13.—The India office received a dispatch from Lord Curzon, the Indian viceroy, in which he says that the distress arising from famine is steadily increasing, and that the new receipt of relief has been 5,734,000.

MOLINEUX MUST GO TO SING SING.

His Counsel Knows of No Way It Can Be Avoided.

New York, Feb. 13.—Bartow S. Weeks, senior counsel for Roland B. Molineux, who was convicted on Saturday night of murder in the first degree for killing Mrs. Adams by poison sent to Harry Cornish, said yesterday that he felt confident a new trial would be granted. Mr. Weeks was asked if steps would be taken to keep Molineux from going to Sing Sing while awaiting the result of an appeal, and replied that he knew of no way that that could be avoided.

The record of the Molineux case contains 2,225,000 words, and is said to be the most voluminous one ever taken in this country. Besides that the defendant will have to put in his brief calling the attention of the court of appeals to the case in requesting a new trial, and this will necessarily be a lengthy document.

Molineux was as buoyant yesterday as ever since his imprisonment in the Tombs. If he is laboring under any strain, mental or otherwise, it is not noticeable, the warden and keepers say. His only visitor yesterday was his younger brother, Cecil, whom he affectionately embraced.

THE ARMY CANTEN WINS.

President McKinley Sustains the Opinion of the Attorney General.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, president of the National Women's Christian Temperance union, Miss Anna A. Gordon, vice president-at-large, and Mrs. Margaret E. Ellis, superintendent of the department of legislation for the society, were granted an interview by President McKinley yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Stevens, on behalf of 300,000 members of the W. C. T. U., expressed what she declared was the general dissatisfaction of the people at the decision of Attorney General Griggs regarding the sale of liquor in the army canteen, and appealed to the president as commander-in-chief of the army to "right this great wrong."

While the reply of the president was most courteous and expressed his appreciation of the work of the W. C. T. U., he stated, in response to a direct question from Mrs. Stevens, that the opinion of the attorney general must be accepted as final.

Bank Robbery by Daylight.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 13.—The bank of B. C. Bowman, at Las Cruces, N. M., was held up by two unknown men at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon and robbed of \$3,000. The robbers rode into town and hitched their horses on the opposite side of the street. Then they crossed over and entered the bank, covering Cashier Freeman and his young lady bookkeeper with six-shooters. The cashier was forced to open the safe, and the men took all the available cash, amounting to \$3,000. They then quietly left the building and rode toward the Organ mountains, 15 miles away. Twenty minutes later a posse started in pursuit.

The Mystery of a Cadaver.

Baltimore, Feb. 13.—The body of the unknown man which was shipped to Sioux City, Ia., on Jan. 16, and which was returned to this city last Saturday, was identified yesterday as that of Patrick Callahan, who on Dec. 29 was killed by a trolley car. The body was turned over to the College of Physicians and Surgeons for anatomical purposes. William Devine, janitor at the college, boxed it up and shipped it to Sioux City, addressed to John Bradford. He has been arrested. After his arrest Devine said the cadaver was intended for Dr. Maxwell E. Silver, demonstrator of anatomy at the Sioux City Medical college.

Leslie Will Turn State's Evidence.

New York, Feb. 13.—District Attorney Clark, of Brooklyn, last night authorized the statement that Cecil Leslie, press agent for the Franklin syndicate, would surrender to the authorities and give evidence for the state. Leslie was indicted jointly with Miller in November for conspiracy. He disappeared, and since then his whereabouts have been a mystery. Since Miller's arrest District Attorney Clark has been in communication with Mrs. Leslie, and this has finally resulted in Leslie's agreeing to surrender.

Important to Exporters.

Washington, Feb. 13.—An important bill was passed by the house yesterday which makes universally applicable the law that now permits the transit of goods in bond through certain ports of the United States. Under it goods in bond can be shipped through any portion of the territory of the United States to foreign ports. It is principally designed to give the transportation companies of the United States a share of the transcontinental trade of the Orient.

Dr. McGiffert Not to Be Tried.

New York, Feb. 13.—The New York Presbytery yesterday decided, by a vote of 77 to 39, not to try Dr. Arthur G. McGiffert, of the Union Theological seminary, on the charges of heresy preferred by Rev. G. W. Birch, the stated clerk of the Presbytery. A resolution was adopted declaring in effect that the action of the Presbytery in December, when it decided not to try Dr. McGiffert for heresy, but to disavow his teachings, was sufficient under the circumstances.

Opposing Proposed Niagara Dam.

Buffalo, Feb. 13.—At Niagara Falls last night the state reservation commissioners passed resolutions calling on congress to defeat the bill of Representative Corliss, of Michigan, which proposes to dam the Niagara river at its source for the purpose of raising the water level of the great lakes. Resolutions were also adopted against the Mather bill, which proposes to bridge the Niagara at Buffalo for power purposes.

Rockefeller's Princely Gifts.

New York, Feb. 13.—It is expected that at a dinner to be given at the Hotel Manhattan early next month John D. Rockefeller will announce a further gift of \$1,500,000 to Chicago university, making his total contribution to that institution \$8,500,000. Mr. Rockefeller promised some time ago that if other friends of the university would raise a certain sum he would give \$1,500,000. The friends have done their part.

RIVAL GOVERNMENTS.

Kentucky Republicans at Frankfort, Democrats at Louisville.

THE LEGAL CONTROVERSIES.

Republican Governor Taylor Awaits Decision of Judge Taft, and Democratic Governor Beckham Will Make an Appeal to the State Courts

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 13.—Yesterday was another day of unbroken calm in Frankfort. The Republican members of the legislature met at noon and after appointing committees to inform Republican Governor Taylor that pursuant to the terms of his proclamation adjourning the legislature at London and calling it to Frankfort they had come to this city and were prepared to transact such business as might come before them. Taylor acknowledged the messages, and both houses adjourned until today. There were nine members in the senate and 23 in the house.

A committee which was expected to come from the Democratic members at Louisville to report whether it is safe for them to come to Frankfort did not put in an appearance during the day. The Republican leaders say that they expect nothing now to transpire until after Judge Taft, in Cincinnati, has rendered his decision tomorrow.

At one time yesterday Taylor decided to order away all of the soldiers now here with the exception of a few as a personal body guard. He sent for Colonel Williams and actually gave the orders for the moving of the troops, but several of his friends urged so strongly that Taylor changed his intention and said that, for the present at least, he would not have any more of them returned to their homes.

The argument before Judge Taft in Cincinnati yesterday afternoon, on the applications for injunctions against the Kentucky state board of election commissioners and the contestants for the state offices other than governor and lieutenant governor, consumed over three hours' time. Ex-Governor Bradley, of Kentucky, made the principal argument for the Republicans, and Lawrence Maxwell, Jr., and others spoke in opposition to the injunctions. After the conclusion of the arguments Judge Taft advised counsel that he would announce his decision, so far as the court having jurisdiction in the cases are concerned, at 2 o'clock tomorrow.

THE DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT

Will Bring Suit Against Taylor in the State Courts.

Louisville, Feb. 13.—The efforts of the Democratic lawyers were directed yesterday toward mapping out plans to secure the adjudication of the claims of Taylor and Beckham to the office of governor. There is danger of a clash as long as the present positions are maintained. Judge Pryor believes the injunction suit now pending before Judge Cantrill at Frankfort will be useless as far as determining the main issue is concerned, because its object was to prevent Governor Taylor from interfering with the legislature or adjourning it to London. A new start must be had, and this will probably be by a suit at law, in behalf of Democratic Governor Beckham, to establish the legality of the action of the legislature in declaring him elected and to secure possession of the office, or by a petition in equity to restrain Taylor from exercising the duties of the office of governor. It is thought such action will be begun before the end of the week.

The Democrats will confine their efforts to the state courts, their contention being that federal courts have no jurisdiction in the case. The Republicans, either by appeal or original proceedings before Judge Taft, will endeavor to get their claims before the federal courts, but their course will depend largely upon that adopted by the Democrats. Petitions in the governorship case were drawn up for submission to Judge Taft with that affecting the minor offices, but were held up temporarily because of the peace negotiations. Ex-Governor Bradley may now present them at any time.

In both houses of the Democratic legislature yesterday a bill was introduced offering a reward of 100,000 for the detection of Goebel's murderer.

Three Children Drowned.

Williamsport, Pa., Feb. 13.—Three children of Joseph Tema, a miner, were drowned in Sandy creek, near Snow Shoe, Sunday. The children, who were aged 5 to 9 years, left their home at noon, and were not missed until night, when a search was at once made, but without success until the creek was dragged yesterday. The supposition is that the little girl fell into the water and her two brothers were drowned while trying to save her.

The Tanner-Cullom Fight.

Springfield, Ills., Feb. 13.—The convention of the Republicans of Sangamon county yesterday resulted in a split, the Cullom delegates leaving the hall in a body and adjourning to the Opera House. The result is that two delegations will apply for admission in the state and congressional conventions, and there will be two Republican legislative tickets in the field.

Railroaders Crushed to Death.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 13.—A west bound freight on the Western North Carolina road ran into a heavy landslide near Black Mountain, and the engine was overturned. Adam Jeffries, fireman, and Port Nicholson, brakeman, were caught under it and crushed to death.

Mother and Six Children Cremated.

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 13.—The home of Maria Smith, colored, near Stone Creek, on the Atlantic Coast line, was destroyed by fire Saturday night, the woman and her six children losing their lives. Origin of fire a mystery.

Woman Commissioner For Paris.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The senate yesterday confirmed the nomination of Mrs. Betha Honore Palmer, of Illinois, to be commissioner to the Paris exposition.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Wednesday, Feb. 7.

The Lawton relief fund has reached a total of \$98,954. The trust sugar plants of Jersey City, Philadelphia and Boston are to close down.

Insurgents captured an American supply train near Orani, Philippines, killing six soldiers. Circuit Judge Taft, of Cincinnati, has been appointed chairman of the new Philippines commission.

In a speech at Bridgeport, Conn., William J. Bryan declared the east "no longer the enemy's country." Delaware's Regular Republicans refuse to deal with the Union Republicans until Addicks is repudiated. In the Spanish senate Count Almones denounced "unworthy generals and an infamous government in the late war."

Thursday, Feb. 8.

Flagmakers report a remarkable demand for the Beer flag. Germany's epidemic of influenza has 60,000 victims in Munich alone. The customs and internal revenue receipts of Manila in January aggregate \$557,608.

Venezuelan troops invaded Brazil territory, but were driven across the frontier after a fight. The local fund for the Republican convention at Philadelphia is climbing up to the \$100,000 necessary.

Susan B. Anthony announces that she will retire from the presidency of the National Woman Suffrage association.

Transports Pathan, Sherman and Indiana arrived at San Francisco from the Philippines. On the Sherman are 75 invalided soldiers, and on the Indiana the bodies of 290 dead soldiers.

Friday, Feb. 9.

Richard W. Thompson, who was secretary of the navy in Hayes' cabinet, died at Terre Haute, Ind., aged 91. At Ford River, Mich., a Chicago and Northwestern train was wrecked by a rear end collision. Nine killed and 11 injured.

William F. Miller, of the Franklin syndicate, Brooklyn, is in jail in that city. He returned voluntarily with an officer. William Truesdale, hanged at Charlotte, N. C., for killing his sweetheart, was carried to the scaffold, weakened by terror.

Dr. Steinitz, the noted chess player, has been officially pronounced insane. Friends will place him in a private sanitarium. King Humbert has conferred on Baron Fava, the Italian ambassador, the Order of the Crown of Italy, the highest in Italy.

H. C. Frick, former president of the Carnegie Steel company, has decided to go into court to ascertain the value of his holdings in that company.

Saturday, Feb. 10.

General John R. Lewis, prominent in G. A. R. circles, died in Chicago, aged 65. A trolley car accident in Reading, Pa., deprived Motorman Irvin Price of his left arm.

The firm of P. D. Armour & Co., of Chicago, will be incorporated in the near future, it is said. G. B. Barrow, who kidnaped Baby Marion Clark, in New York, was sentenced to 14 years, is insane at Matteawan asylum.

Allen Earhart, 15 years old, committed suicide by taking rat poison because he had been suspended from his position in a Berlin (Pa.) hotel for infraction of rules.

The deficit in the supply of native coal in Russia is estimated at 1,000,000 tons. The government has already given immense orders for Welsh coal and is trying to place other orders.

Sunday, Feb. 12.

The three saloons in Manila before American occupation have increased to 400. San Salvador, Central America, has been visited by a serious fire. The total loss is estimated at \$1,000,000.

Richard Croker, whose leg was recently broken, can now walk with a cane, and will go from London to the Riviera. G. B. Patterson, postmaster at Key West, Fla., has been nominated by the Republicans of the First district for congress.

Markley, Hogan and Taylor, Philadelphia's ballot box stuffers, were sentenced to two years' imprisonment and \$500 fine. The Republican congressional convention of the Fourth Georgia district nominated A. H. Freeman, of Greenville, for congress, and instructed national delegates for McKinley.

Tuesday, Feb. 13.

Governor Roosevelt, of New York, positively declares he is not a vice presidential candidate. White inhabitants of the Island of Martinique are threatened with death by riotous plantation strikers.

An American company has obtained valuable mining concessions in Russia, the first granted to foreigners. Amos Rusie refuses the offer of the New York Baseball club to pitch this season. He demands more money.

By the sinking of the steamer Henry M. Stanley at Cincinnati, after collision with a bridge, the steward was drowned. Spring promises to bring a renewal of turbulence in the Spanish provinces. There are signs of a reawakening of the Catalonian separatist agitators and strikes are on the increase.

GENERAL MARKETS.

Philadelphia, Feb. 12.—Flour in light demand; winter superfine, \$2.30@2.50; Pennsylvania roller, clear, \$3.10@3.20; city mills, extra, \$2.50@2.70. Rye flour quiet and steady at \$1.50@1.70 per barrel. Wheat slow (exchange closed); No. 2 red, spot, in elevator, 75¢. Corn dull; No. 2 mixed, spot, in elevator, 35¢@36¢. No. 2 yellow, for local trade, 40¢. Oats dull; No. 2 white, clipped, 33¢@32¢; lower grades, 28¢@29¢. Hay steady; choice timothy, \$16.50 for large bales. Beef steady; beef hams, \$21@22.50. Pork firm; family, \$14@14.50. Lard in fair demand; pure city refined, in tierces, per lb., 7¢. Butter well maintained; solid packed extra, 56¢; fancy Pennsylvania, prints jobbing at 25¢. Cheese quiet and barely steady; New York full cream, fancy, new, small boxes, 12¢@13¢; part skims, new, as to quality, 10¢@10.5¢. Swiss cheese, 11¢@12¢. Eggs firm; western choice, 15¢; Pennsylvania and other nearby, fresh, 16¢; see house, per crate, 20¢.

SANTA CLARA'S COUNCIL

Protests Against a Restricted Suffrage in Cuba.

A DISTURBER FROM CHICAGO.

He Is Said to Have the Backing of "Men of Highest Official Standing" and Is Holding Meetings for the Purpose of Creating Discontent.

Havana, Feb. 13.—The provincial council of the Republican party in the province of Santa Clara has formally protested against a restricted suffrage and has forwarded to General Wood a petition in favor of universal suffrage in Cuba. A majority of the members of the Santa Clara municipality appended their signatures to the protest, and the municipality will vote upon the question at its next regular meeting. It is worthy of note that the province of Santa Clara and Matanzas are just now doing a good deal in the way of protests of this nature.

General Wood has received a number of complaints from influential Cuban property owners, miners and other persons of position, representing that a man named Drake, said to come from Chicago, is apparently doing considerable mischief. This individual, it is said, goes about holding private meetings, at which he abuses the government, and does all in his power to prevent amity between the Americans and Cubans. It is also asserted that he has the backing of "men of highest official standing."

While the governor general does not think it necessary to take action with reference to Drake he deprecates such conduct as is imputed to him, pointing out that in modern times a traitor to his country can do much more damage than he could of old, owing to the beneficent forms of government existing in most civilized nations.

"America's duty to Cuba," says General Wood, "is to be performed not on a narrow partisan basis, but upon the broadest and purest principles of Americanism. When men of intelligence and ability devote their time and energy, whether for their own advancement or in furtherance of the schemes of others, to promote the ends of wicked agitation, they commit crimes punishable by law, but nevertheless crimes. It is assuredly a high crime to attempt to persuade a people naturally sensitive that everything which has been done for them is wrong or has been done with ulterior objects in view."

FILIPINOS FIRE BURNING ARROWS.

Insurgents Constantly Firing on the American Outposts.

Manila, Feb. 12.—Of late the insurgents of Albay province, Luzon, have adopted harassing tactics against the towns which the Americans have garrisoned. They camp in the hills and maintain a constant fire upon the American outposts. When the troops sallied against them they scatter, returning when the Americans retire. They shoot burning arrows, and have thus burned a large part of the town of Albay. Indeed, most of the large towns in that province are practically deserted, except by the garrisons. Scarcely any of the inhabitants return to their homes. They are camping in the interior, and it is supposed armed insurgents prevent them going back. It is reported that there is much suffering among them, owing to lack of food. As a result of these conditions the hemp business in that section is seriously hindered, and ships going for cargoes are compelled to take gangs of coolies to do their loading. Hemp held in the interior is quite inaccessible.

Colonel Bryan in Virginia.

Richmond, Feb. 13.—Yesterday afternoon Colonel William J. Bryan addressed an audience at the Academy of Music made up of the members of the legislature and as many other persons as could get into the building. Admission to the greater part of the house was by ticket, and the demand for tickets was greater than the supply. The part of the building that was thrown open to the public was quickly filled and many people were unable to obtain admission. On the stage were Governor Tyler, Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson, chairman of the state Democratic committee; Attorney General Montagu and others. There were many ladies in the audience.

Maud S Will Not Be Sold.

New York, Feb. 12.—Maud S, 2:08 3/4, for years the queen of the harness turf, and still regarded by many good judges as the greatest trotter that ever lived, is exhibited today at the Fasig-Tipton sale at Madison Square Garden. All of the rest of the trotting stock belonging to the late Robert Bonner will be sold, but his heirs will see that the grand old mare spends the rest of her days in comfort. She is now 26 years old, but is remarkably well preserved, and can trot a mile in 2:40 or better. Maud S's mark of 2:08 3/4 is still the best on record to a high wheel sulky.

Prison Product For Farmers.

Lansing, Kan., Feb. 13.—The board of directors of the state penitentiary yesterday decided to hereafter sell the entire output of binding twine of the Kansas penitentiary direct to farmers. Implement dealers in various parts of the state had offered to purchase the entire output, but it is said the prison officials feared the binding twine trust was back of some of the dealers.

Ex-Congressman Forker Dead.

Jersey City, Feb. 13.—Samuel C. Forker, who represented the Second congressional district of New Jersey in the Forty-third congress, died yesterday at his home in Edgewater Park, N. J., aged 80. Until a few years ago Mr. Forker had been active in Democratic politics in his state.

A Lincoln Statue For Washington.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Representative Lorimer (Ills.) yesterday introduced a bill for the erection in Washington of a statue of Lincoln, and appropriating \$500,000 for that purpose.

KEYSTONE HAPPENINGS.

News Items of Interest From All Parts of the State.

THE CARNEGIE COMPANY SNARL.

A Report That Henry Phipps Has Broken Business Relations With the Iron King—Pittsburg District Miners—Killed White Burglarizing.

Pittsburg, Feb. 12.—The Dispatch says: One of the sensational developments of the expected suit of H. C. Frick against the Carnegie Steel company is the report that Henry Phipps, Jr., next to the largest stockholder in the company, has broken the business relations with Mr. Carnegie, which have been exceptionally close during the latter's business life. The two steel kings have been associates since boyhood and their interests have been identical, not only in a business way, but in their philanthropic work and social standing. The announcement of the breach will therefore be a surprise in the steel world. Mr. Phipps owns 11 per cent of the capital stock of the company, which is more than the holdings of any other one stockholder except Mr. Carnegie.

It is said that Mr. Phipps alone stands as the only partner whose agreement is not attached to the famous Frick agreement. The reason for this is not known to the public, but the important omission, it is said, will be based upon Mr. Frick as one of the strongest arguments in his efforts to have the celebrated document broken, his contention being that the agreement cannot be binding when one of the largest stockholding partner's name is not attached.

Killed White Burglarizing.

Johnson, Pa., Feb. 12.—David S. Long, a farmer, of South Lebanon township, into Sunday night shot and instantly killed John Becker, aged 28, of Midway, this county, who was detected by members of Long's family in the act of robbing the house. Long gave himself up and was released on \$1,000 bail. Long's daughter, Eva, detected the presence of the intruder, and hurriedly awakened her father. Arming himself with a shotgun Long made a search of the house and caught the then unknown man as he was jumping from a front window to a porch. Long says he aimed low in order to maim the burglar, but as he missed the trigger the man leaped from the window and the entire charge entered the intruder's back. He died almost instantly. Shortly afterward he was identified.

Pittsburg District Miners.

Pittsburg, Feb. 13.—The annual conference of the coal miners of the Pittsburg district began today. The convention will be one of the most important held by the miners of this district in years, and it is probable that the gathering will continue all week. It has been thought by most people that all matters with reference to the wage scale of the coal diggers was settled at the Indianapolis convention, but such was not the case. An advance was given the pick miners of 14 cents above the old price—66 cents per ton in thin vein mines. No action was taken, however, relative to the differential between thick and thin vein mines and the scale for lead work and turning. The scale for machine mining is also to be adjusted.

The Atlantic Baseball League.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 13.—A meeting of the officers and promoters of the Atlantic League was held in this city last evening. The cities represented were Allentown, Reading, Trenton and Wilkesbarre. H. S. Fogel, president of the league, presided. He said the outlook for a strong league of eight clubs was good. Newark, Chester, Elmira, Easton and Harrisburg are anxious for membership. The meeting adjourned to meet at Allentown some time next month, when the clubs to constitute the league will be admitted and a schedule arranged.

Two Entombed in a Mine.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 13.—Patrick Quillan, miner, and Anthony Leger, laborer, were entombed in the Maffett mine at Sugar Notch yesterday afternoon. They were "robbing pillars," when a large portion of the roof caved in. It is not known whether they are behind the fall or whether they were caught in it and killed. Rescuers are now hard at work.

PENNSYLVANIA NEWS BRIEVITIES.

Eli Leabolt, 21 years old, was crushed to death by a falling rock in a Slatington quarry.

Four thousand mine workers are idle at Shamokin, owing to a scarcity of cars to haul away the product.

The bodies of John Doris and Carmel Papp, entombed in a mine near Shamokin, have been recovered.

Charles Lehman, aged 79, was dragged 14 feet to death by a hoisting rope at a quarry near Slatington.

Tobacco growers and manufacturers at a Lancaster meeting entered a vigorous protest against the Porto Rico tariff.

Charles Lehman, aged 19, was dragged 150 feet to death by a hoisting rope at a disaffected, will remain at work for the present. They demand higher wages.

Hugh Kennedy, who took May Bibbighaus to a Philadelphia opium den, causing her death, is out on bail. Four others are in jail.

On the road between Hazleton and Beaver Meadow, John Strubitz was attacked by footpads, who beat him to unconsciousness.

John Rebok, the Upper Strasburg hotel keeper convicted of selling liquor to minors, was sentenced in the Franklin county court to pay a fine of \$100.

The call of Licentiate R. E. Reed to Zwingle church, Harrisburg, has been approved by Lancaster Classis and a committee appointed to ordain and install him.