

FOUR PERISH IN A FIRE

Mother and Two Children Killed in Burning Theater.

OTHERS HAD NARROW ESCAPES

Fire Department Did Not Have Ladders Sufficiently Long to Reach the Windows.

Four lives were lost in a fire which destroyed the Verbeck theater at Lorain, O. The dead are: James Dwyer, 28 years old; Mrs. William Marsh, 24 years old; Grace Marsh, 2 years old; Clifford Marsh, 7 years old.

The Marsh family had apartments in the front of the building on the third floor. William Marsh was stage manager of the theater. Dwyer another employe of the theater, slept in the basement, where the fire originated, and from which escape was cut off. Mrs. Marsh and her children were suffocated by the smoke which poured up the narrow stairway.

William Marsh was not at home when the fire occurred. When he got home he supposed his family was safe and made no attempt to locate them until some time later. Mrs. John Vesper was rescued by the firemen after she had fainted and was leaning out of a window.

The loss on the theater, which was comparatively a new one, is \$35,000. The loss on the entire building is \$50,000. The theater was owned by the Verbeck Amusement company, of Oil City, Pa., and leased by H. H. Dykman, of Elyria, O.

The Marsh family came from Detroit about four weeks ago. A dozen people living in the building had narrow escapes from being suffocated.

The fire department did not have a ladder sufficiently long to reach the windows where the imprisoned persons were gathered. William Shultz, a merchant, climbed to the top of the longest ladder, raised and held a second ladder to the window where the frantic men and women were waiting for help. They climbed down the improvised escape and Shultz stood in his perilous position for 30 minutes while the descent of the tenants was made over his body. Eight persons were rescued in this manner.

The bodies of Mrs. Marsh and her baby were not found for several hours, when Dwyer's body was also found. The infant child of Mrs. Marsh had been ill with pneumonia and the mother had been watching over it for some days. It is believed the mother fell asleep from fatigue and never awoke, being suffocated while asleep.

TWO KILLED

Engineer and Brakeman Are Crushed to Death in Wreck.

Two men were killed in a rear-end freight wreck on the Pennsylvania railroad at Coverts station near New Castle, Pa. Two others were slightly injured.

Dead: Engineer J. J. Welch, New Castle, aged 48; crushed and scalded under his engine; Brakeman J. A. Harris, Cleveland, was riding on Welch's engine; caught between cab and tender and instantly killed.

Four freight trains, eastbound, were on the block between Edenburg and Lawrence Junction, and Engineer Welch of train No. 7742, at Edenburg, received a signal notifying him that there was a train ahead and to proceed with caution. It is said that Welch was running about 20 miles an hour when he collided with the rear end of freight train No. 7096. The engine was overturned and rolled down the embankment.

Senate Passes Canal Bill.
The Senate passed the Panama canal emergency appropriation bill. A substitute for a Bacon amendment, offered by Eugene Hale, of Maine, was accepted. It specifically requires that Congress shall be supplied with regular estimates of all salaries, except those paid to laborers, skilled and unskilled. Otherwise the bill was passed as reported from committee.

REVOLT AT BATUM

Porte Will Send Warship to Care for Turkish Refugees.

A dispatch from Batoum, in the government of Kutais, Transcaucasia, reports the outbreak of a revolution there. It says the streets were barricaded and that fierce fighting took place. The military employed artillery and many persons, including subjects of the Ottoman empire, were killed. In response to a request made by the Turkish consul the porte is now arranging for the dispatch of vessels to Batoum to bring back refugees. The dispatch says that a similar state of affairs prevails in Poti, in the same government, and in the town of Kutais.

Asked \$50,000; Got One Cent.
Mrs. May S. Bradley, aged 48 years, daughter of Rear Admiral Stevens, of the navy, in suits brought at Norfolk, Va., for \$50,000, as the result of an accusation that she stole from a department store a belt valued at 16 cents, was given a verdict for 1 cent.

Republicans for Two States.
The Republican members of the House in caucus unanimously declared in favor of admitting Oklahoma and Indian Territory as one State and by a vote of 110 to 65 declared in favor of admitting Arizona and New Mexico as one State. The only opposition to the program was directed against joining Arizona and New Mexico, the Hamilton bill, already introduced, will be the measure reported by the committee.

HAZING MUST STOP

Secretary Bonaparte Will Stamp Out Practices at Annapolis.

Hazing of every kind will be stamped out of the naval academy, at Annapolis, regardless of the number of dismissions from the brigade of midshipmen, necessary to bring about this result. Two midshipmen, Coffin and Van Derveer, will be dismissed from the academy by the secretary of the navy, one for hazing and the other for countenancing it, by failure while on duty to report its occurrence. Other dismissals will follow as often as midshipmen are found guilty of hazing or countenancing it.

Aroused by the condition of affairs, which reports show to exist at the academy so far as the treatment of fourth class men are concerned, Secretary Bonaparte telephoned to Rear Admiral James E. Sands, superintendent of the academy, a request to come to Washington as soon as possible for a conference.

It will be the initial step in a new and vigorous campaign to be waged at Annapolis against hazing. Admiral Sands will have the unqualified support of the navy department in his efforts to abolish the evil, and Secretary Bonaparte announced that the admiral possessed the full confidence of the officials at Washington, in his ability to handle the situation to the entire satisfaction of the department. Congressional investigation of the conditions at the academy has already been proposed, in a resolution introduced in the House by Representative Loud, of Michigan.

SHIPMERS INDICTED ALSO

True Bills Found Against Both Them and Railroad.

At the conclusion of the investigation into the charges of granting rebates and of discrimination made against various railroads and shippers, 13 indictments were presented by the federal grand jury at Philadelphia.

True bills were found against the Great Northern Railway Company, for offering a rebate in the R. D. Wood Company case; C. E. Campbell, general freight agent of the Great Northern Railroad Company in this city, on the same charge; L. W. Lake, New York agent of the Mutual Transit Company, for giving rebates in the R. D. Wood Company case; Walter, George, Stewart and Richard Wood of the firm of R. D. Wood & Co., for accepting and receiving rebates; Paul J. Diver, freight agent of the Mutual Transit Company, for offering rebates to the National Essence for Coffee Company; the Mutual Transit Company, for offering rebates in the same transaction; Paul J. Diver, on two counts, for offering rebates on shipments for National Essence for Coffee Company April 17, 1905, and another for granting and giving the rebate. The Mutual Transit Company, on two counts, one for offering a rebate on shipments of National Essence for Coffee Company and another for granting and giving rebate.

SAFETY APPLIANCES INCREASED
Inter-State Commerce Commission Reports Progress.

The annual report of the Inter-State Commerce Commission was made public on the 14th.

The report shows 563 complaints filed with the Commission during the year, including formal and informal proceedings. The number of investigations on formal complaint instituted during the year is 85, involving directly the rates and practices of 321 carriers. Seventy-nine hearings and investigations were held. Six cases were settled through concession of relief by carriers and 22 cases were discontinued. Forty-five formal decisions were rendered.

Within the year improvement has taken place in the condition of safety appliances. This gratifying condition is in great measure due to the action of the courts in clearly defining the statute, leaving no room for doubt concerning its proper interpretation and application.

The great progress in the case of air brakes has been accompanied by marked deterioration in the condition of hand brakes. There is still room for improvement in the maintenance of the retaining valves of air brakes.

CANNOT DISARM NATION

President Replies to Request of Delegation of Shakers.

President Roosevelt told a delegation of Shakers that he did not think the disarmament of nations was practicable at this time, that he regarded a recourse to war as entirely proper in the case of a great and provoked wrong affecting the honor of a nation, and that the extension of arbitration to causes that have induced wars in the past would settle almost any difficulty arising between nations.

"I intend soon to appoint delegates to the second peace conference at The Hague," said the President, "and they will be instructed to strive for an extension of arbitration of the causes of war."

The committee, which consisted of Eldress Anna White and Sister Sarah Burger, of the Shakers' community accompanied by Mrs. Kate Waller Barrett and Mrs. John B. Henderson, of Washington, presented the resolutions adopted at the peace convention of the Shakers at Mount Lebanon.

Madman Shoots Relatives.

William Guy, just discharged from Newburg insane asylum at Cleveland, shot and killed his brother-in-law, Harry Flint, aged 15, and an 18-month-old child at 280 Brownell street. Guy then went to No. 314 Central avenue and shot Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett. He was later arrested. He is a wire-drawer and 29 years of age. He had been in the insane asylum three years and upon his return home declared that he found that his wife had been unfaithful.

TROOPS FIGHT PEASANTS

Bloody Encounters in Streets in Machine Guns Are Used.

REGULAR WARFARE WAGED

Insurgents Capture a Baronial Stronghold After Most of its Defenders Are Killed.

It seems to be beyond question that bloody collisions have occurred between troops and the united peasantry and workmen in the streets of Riga, during which machine guns were used.

The situation is most serious in the country, which is practically abandoned to the revolutionary bands owing to the concentration of the troops in the cities and towns. Against some of the estates where the landlords, aided by a few faithful adherents, are attempting to protect their property, the revolutionists are conducting regular military operations. They reduced the garrison of the estate of Baron von Loewis to submission after most of the defenders had been killed, and plundered and burned the buildings and carried off the baron. The survivors were made prisoners.

The outbreak of the mutinous spirit in the Manchurian army is partly attributable to the failure to pay and properly feed the troops. The latter problem is especially difficult owing to the impossibility of forwarding adequate provisions from Russia on account of the practical paralysis of the railroad to Siberia.

Reports from the provinces indicate that the country generally remains close to the boiling point. The situation in the Caucasus is again serious. The Tartars and Armenians are murdering each other as of yore. At Elizabethopol especially there has been a savage exhibition of race hatred.

TO STOP REBATES

Attorney General Directs District Attorneys to Enforce Law.

Attorney General Moody sent a circular letter to all the United States district attorneys, 85 in number, directing them vigilantly to enforce the provisions of the Elkins act against rebates and discriminations of all kinds by carriers. The method of proceedings suggested is by way of indictment.

It is the expectation that this letter will result in the prompt investigation of all complaints made of discriminations by carriers, followed by the indictments where the evidence warrants.

CAPITAL BRIEFS.

The President has nominated Charles D. Elliott to be Marshal of the Northern district of West Virginia.

The Senate has confirmed the nomination of David H. Moore to be collector of Internal Revenue for the Eleventh Ohio district; William E. Glascock, collector for the West Virginia district.

Chairman Payne of the Ways and Means Committee presented in the House a joint resolution providing for the holiday recess. It proposes adjournment of both Houses from December 21 to January 4.

The President sent the following nominations to the Senate: to be Treasurer of the Island of Puerto Rico, William F. Willoughby of the District of Columbia; collector of Customs, Frederick W. Collins of Mississippi; district of Pearl river, Mississippi; Attorney, Erastus J. Parsons of Alabama, Middle District of Alabama.

The Senate in executive session confirmed the following nominations: Charles A. Stillings, Massachusetts, to be public printer; Henry W. Furness, Indiana, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Haiti; William C. Dearing, Surveyor of Customs, port of Louisville, Ky. Postmasters: Ohio—Grant Coats, Rockford; Fred D. Pierce, Wakeman; John Finsterwald, Athens.

The Foreign Mission Work.
A summary of the work of Protestant foreign missions, made public by Rev. Dr. E. E. Strong, secretary of the American board, shows that there are 6,003 male, 5,134 female missionaries, 65,286 native laborers and 2,325,825 communicants at the 29,641 stations and out stations. This is an increase during the past year of 10,163 communicants. The total income of all societies in the United States, Canada, Great Britain and continental Europe is \$15,151,368. Of those in the United States alone, \$7,060,700.

Will Advance Wages.
Independent woolen manufacturers in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut, employing about 5,000 operatives, announce that they will follow the action of the American Woolen company, which recently decided to advance the wages of the 30,000 employees 10 per cent, on January 1. It is expected that other manufacturers, which usually follow the wage schedule of the combine, will adopt the new scale on New Year's day.

Woman Chloroformed to Death.
Physicians found that chloroform was used to kill Mrs. Morris Naftal, the aged woman who was murdered and robbed in her apartments at Asbury Park, N. J. Her husband announced that \$1,000 cash was secured from Mrs. Naftal.

Pope Counsels Polish Catholics.
Pope Pius has issued a strong encyclical advising the Catholics of Poland to moderate action, and commending the czar for his ukase granting religious freedom. He especially denounces the killing or ill treatment of the Jews.

Rev. Frank Okazaki, pastor of the Japanese Baptist mission at Seattle, Wash., supported by leading Christian Japanese residents, is planning a colony for immigrants from his country.

UNIFORM INSURANCE LAW

President Commends Convention to Urge Action by States.

Insurance Commissioner Thomas E. Drake of the District of Columbia, B. F. Carroll of Iowa and Thomas D. O'Brien of Minnesota discussed with President Roosevelt a uniform insurance law for the States. Commissioners of insurance of many States have decided to make an effort to secure the enactment by the various State Legislatures of a uniform insurance law.

The Commissioners informed the President that Mr. Drake had been authorized by the convention to call a meeting of the Governors, Attorney General and Insurance Commissioners of the States and Territories February 1 in Chicago, where it is proposed to induce concerted action in favor of such legislation. The President expressed his hearty sympathy with the movement.

HOW HARBIN WAS SACKED

Horrible Tale Told by Refugees from Russian City.

The London "Daily Telegraph" prints the concluding part of the dispatch from Moji, Japan, giving detailed accounts by refugees of the alleged sackings and burning of Harbin, Manchuria, by mutinous Russians.

It says the mutineers set fire to and pillaged houses in every direction and seized all the weapons and ammunition they were able to lay their hands on. When dawn came, according to these accounts, all the mutineers crept into hiding places. Daylight revealed the Chinese quarter in ruins and 400 Russian citizens lying dead or wounded in the streets of Harbin. The authorities, the accounts say, really assisted the mutineers in sacking the remnants of the city, while pretending that they were making efforts to suppress the mutiny.

CZAR CHANGES HIS MIND

Project to Grant Universal Suffrage May Be Abandoned.

It is learned on high authority that the government has finally decided against universal suffrage and practically in favor of the old project of 21 workmen representatives and the extension of the ballot to the small retail buyers, merchants and the educated classes. However, the law must still pass the council of the empire and receive imperial approval. If the decision is upheld it is apt to end all question of the support of the zemstvos.

The situation is exceedingly ominous. Public opinion is practically unanimous that the government has entered upon the fatal path of reaction, and that Witte's ministry must fall.

FACTORY IS DYNAMITED

Friends of Dark Tobacco Growers Are Suspected.

The tobacco factory at Elkton, Ky., owned by Mrs. M. B. Penick and operated by the American Snuff Company, was blown up by dynamite. This is supposed to be the work of the friends against the tobacco combine.

The deed is thought to have been committed by parties friendly to the Dark Tobacco Growers' association, but the latter has condemned the act. The conductor of a passenger train on the Elkton & Guthrie railroad that late at night his train was flagged at Bradshaw's and 150 men, all heavily masked, boarded the train. The leader of the gang told the passengers they were only looking for tobacco buyers.

TEN MILLION DOLLAR DEAL

Andrews-Vanderbilt Interests Buy Rochester Electric and Gas Plant.

The Andrews-Vanderbilt traction syndicate has purchased the entire property of the Rochester Railway & Light Company at Rochester, N. Y.

The transaction amounts to about \$10,000,000, and puts this traction syndicate in possession of all the traction lines, gas works, and electric lighting plants of Rochester. It adds another link to the traction interests the syndicate is acquiring in its development of a trans-State traction line from Buffalo to New York City.

SUCCESSOR TO MITCHELL

Gov. Chamberlain Names John M. Gearin, a Portland Democrat.

Gov. George E. Chamberlain announced the appointment of John M. Gearin, of Portland, to succeed the late John H. Mitchell as United States Senator from Oregon. Mr. Gearin is a Democrat, but had the endorsement of not only the Democratic party in this State, but also that of some of the staunchest Republicans. The appointee will sit in Congress until March 4, 1907, unless his tenure shall be sooner ended by the Legislature, which will meet in regular session in January, 1907.

M. L. Letts, former station agent for the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway at Princeton, Kan., who is charged with stealing \$90,000 worth of railroad tickets in 1903 and then burning the depot to hide the theft, has been arrested at Panama, where he was working under an assumed name as a clerk for the Canal Company.

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COLLISION KILLED THREE

Frightful Accident Caused by a Runaway Street Car.

SOME JUMPED FOR SAFETY

Force of the Collision Carried Both Cars a Distance of Half a Square.

Running at a gate faster than a mile a minute, one of the heavy cars of the Meadville-Cambridge Springs line dashed down the entire length of College hill at Meadville, Pa., and meeting a car bound for Cambridge at the foot of the hill, blazed from there to Randolph street a path of death and destruction.

The dead, Mrs. Robert P. Breed, wife of Prof. Robert P. Breed of Allegheny college; John Beckman of North East; Dwight Birchard, Cambridge Springs.

The injured, Samuel Grey, Cambridge Springs, in the hospital; badly cut and bruised, condition serious; Mrs. Pittman Davis of Saegerstown, cut and bruised about the head and arms; Mrs. Mary Hickernall of Saegerstown; painfully cut about the head, face and shoulders; Miss Ethel Case, aged 17, daughter of Andrew Case of Saegerstown, suffering from bruise in side; Mrs. Moyer of Woodcock, her sister and little girl; all cut and bruised; Dr. M. B. Roudeluch of Saegerstown; bruised about the head, right arm and hips.

The crash was terrific. Two of the heavy Cambridge line passenger coaches had started up the hill, the rear one being trailed by means of a chain. The cars had reached a point about in front of the Odd Fellows' home on the steep incline when the chain snapped. The rear car started dashing down the steep incline. John Van Horn, an employe of the road, applied the brake, but the car had gained such momentum that he could not retard its speed.

When the car reached the steep part of the hill in front of the Allegheny College gymnasium it was going at 40 miles an hour, and from this point it gained speed at every foot. The loaded Cambridge Springs car had turned up North Main street. The motorman shouted a warning to his passengers. He either had to make the Baldwin street switch or be crushed by the wildcat car. The men on the runaway car saw a collision was inevitable and started jumping on all sides. Passengers on the upcoming car followed suit but the cars were so crowded that all could not escape.

The two cars crashed together and the momentum of the runaway carried both cars below Randolph street. The distance of about 150 feet. It is said that Mrs. Breed was walking in the street and was crushed by the wrecked cars. The body of Mr. Beckman was badly mangled, a large piece of timber going through his body.

MERIWETHER'S SENTENCE

Confinement in Academy for One Year and Reprimand.

Confinement to the limits of the Naval academy for the period of one year and a public reprimand by the secretary of the navy is the sentence of the court in the case of Midshipman Minor Meriwether, Jr., tried by court-martial at Annapolis on charges arising from a fist fight between the accused and Midshipman James A. Branch, Jr., on November 5, last. Two days later Midshipman Branch died.

The accused was acquitted of the charge of manslaughter and found guilty of charges of conduct to the prejudice of good order and discipline.

Powder Plant Blown Up.

The mixing house at the works of the Dupont Powder company, near Boyles, Ala., was accidentally blown up, killing five workmen instantly. The victims were blown to atoms, particles of their bodies being found in tree tops a long distance from the scene of the disaster.

MISS ROOSEVELT TO WED

Formal Announcement of Engagement to Congressman Longworth.

Formal announcement was made by the President and Mrs. Roosevelt of the engagement of their daughter, Miss Alice Lee Roosevelt, to Nicholas Longworth, representative in Congress from Cincinnati. Coupled with the announcement of the engagement is the additional announcement that the wedding will take place about the middle of next February.

White arrangements for the wedding have not been made, it is expected that it will take place at the White House.

Nominations Confirmed.

The Senate confirmed these nominations: Thomas B. VanHorn, Ohio, to be consul at Rosario, Argentine Republic; Joseph A. Howells, Ohio, consul at Turks Island, West Indies; Alexander Heingartner, Canton, O., consul at Guelph, Ont.; Elliott Northcott, to be United States attorney for the Southern district of West Virginia; John L. Lott, Ohio, commissioner to revise the laws of the United States.

Queen Lil Wants \$10,000,000.

A petition from ex-Queen Liliuokalani asking for the payment of \$10,000,000 to her was presented to the Senate by Vice President Fairbanks. The petition was accompanied by an autograph letter requesting early and favorable consideration.

George W. Lewis, a Pittsburg contractor, has sued the Wabash Railroad company for \$25,000, alleged to be due for "extras" ordered in the construction of the Taggart tunnel in Washington county, Pa.

REBELLION IN LIVONIA

Provisional Government Set Up by People at Riga.

Two messengers who arrived at St. Petersburg from Riga, not only confirm the report that a provisional government has been set up in Livonia, but they say that many of the soldiers have gone over to the insurrectionists.

Duina Fort, commanding Riga harbor, is in their possession, and the Governor and other Russian officials are prisoners.

The messengers add that the provisional government exercises authority throughout Livonia and part of Courland.

The new Government has declared the separation of the Lithuanian people from the Russian empire. They have chosen new local officials and have decreed the closing of the spirit shops and breweries and the annulment of contracts between the peasants and the landowners. There is a general uprising of the native peasants, who are traveling in armed bands attacking the estates and driving off or killing their owners.

CURRENT NEWS EVENTS.

Forty-two deaths from starvation have been reported by London coroners during the year.

Four school children were drowned while skating on Kellogg's pond, at Amsterdam, N. Y.

New York court of appeals decided against W. R. Hearst on question of reopening ballot boxes.

Mrs. Grace Taggart has disappeared from Wooster, O., taking her two children.

The President nominated Samuel J. M. McCarroll as United States attorney for the Middle district of Pennsylvania.

Beginning January 1, 30,000 operatives employed by the American Woolen Company of New York will have their wages advanced 10 per cent.

Japan has finally agreed to accept Russia's decision against raising the missions at Tokyo and St. Petersburg to the rank of embassies at present.

Four hundred acres of prehistoric fossil remains have been discovered near Danger Point, 100 miles from Cape Town.

With a detachment of 200 marines on board to relieve a like number now on duty in Panama the cruiser Columbia sailed from League Island Navy Yard for Colon.

Practically all the railroad lines east of the Mississippi have, through their traffic men, expressed a willingness to enter into an agreement to abolish free transportation.

Alonzo J. Whitman, convicted of defrauding the Fidelity Trust Company of Buffalo, N. Y., by means of forged and raised paper, has been taken to Auburn State prison.

Preliminary legal steps to open 114 more ballot boxes were taken by counsel for W. R. Hearst, who is contesting the mayorality election in New York City.

The Southern California railway has been bought by the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway company. The trackage covers 478.07 miles. The price is \$17,312,400.

First Lieutenant Sydney S. Burbank and First Lieutenant David A. Snyder, both of the Sixth infantry, have been placed in jail in the Philippines for "conduct unbecoming officers of the United States army."

In the first election of the new province of Saskatchewan one of the surprises was the return of Dr. Schadd in Kinistino. Dr. Schadd is a negro—the first of his race to obtain a seat in a Canadian legislature.

Miss Nellie Ainsworth of Madison, Wis., and her cousin, Bert Stewart, a young farmer, were drowned while skating on Bishops lake near Brighton, Mich.

The Bureau of Insular Affairs is arranging to call for proposals for the construction in Manila of steel wharves at a cost of about \$500,000. Bids are to be opened in Manila.

Eleven indictments were returned by the Federal grand jury at Kansas City, Mo., against common carriers, railway officials, shippers and freight agents, charging giving of rebates and conspiracy to gain rebates.

EMPEROR STUBBORN

Korean Declares He Will Never Sign Agreement With Japan.

Homer B. Hulbert, the special messenger from the emperor of Korea, is in receipt of a cablegram from Korea in which the emperor declares that the agreement between Korea and Japan is null and void, because it was obtained by force.

He also declares that he will never sign this agreement in its present form, and that the disturbances which attended the "outrage" of November 17 are likely to occur again.

Boston Wool Market.

More wool was sold during the past week than for some time before. Leading quotations follow: Ohio and Pennsylvania—XX and above, 35@36c; X, 34@35c; No. 1, 33@34c; No. 2, 40@41c; fine unwashed, 27@28c; quarter-blood, unwashed, 33@34c; three-eighths blood, 34@35c; unwashed, 29@30c; fine washed, 35@36c; 37@38c. Michigan—Fine unwashed, 26@27c; quarter-blood, unwashed, 32@33c.

Boston Elects Mayor.

The Democrats were victorious, electing former Congressman John F. Fitzgerald, mayor over three other candidates. Fitzgerald's lead over his nearest competitor, Louis A. Frothingham, Republican, speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, was 8,330.

Reduction of the American naval force in Dominican waters from a squadron of protected cruisers to a mosquito fleet has been determined upon by the President.