BIG SCHOONER WRECKED

Sailing Vessel Turns Turtle and Several are Drowned.

MEN STOOD AT THEIR POSTS.

Captain and Crew Might Have Been Saved If They Had Abandoned the Ship.

The American seven-masted schoon-Thomas W. Lawson was wrecked in Broad sound. Scilly islands, during a ferce gale and so far as known of her crew, but three men survived.

Signals of 'distress were heard at le Bishops Rock lighthouse at 4 Signais of the signal of the Hishops Rock lighthouse at a o'clock Friday afternoon. Two lifeboats at once put out and found the Thomas W. Lawson anchored in a dangerous position just north of Gundred Great seas were running and the lifeboats, although they stood

and the lifeboats, although they stood by for several hours were unable to render assistance.

At about 2:50 Saturday morning the lookouts at St. Agnes and Bishops Rock lighthouses and the coast guards missed the lights of the Lawson and when a lifeboat returned to son and when a lifeboat returned to the scene oil floating on the waves indicated the disaster. A few min-utes later the lifeboat crew found the

vessel bottom up.

Searching in the vicinity the St.

Agnes light boat picked up George

Allen of London and found three

bodies off Annet island. Later the

captain of the Lawson and another

sailor, Edward Rowe of Boston, were

found

The search failed to discover any The search failed to discover any further survivors and it now seems that these three are the only members of the crew who did not lose their lives. The number of drowned is said to be 18. Allen was seriously injured and the doctor in attendance doubtful if he will live out the

From scraps of information that have been obtained from the semi-conscious man it seems that the Thomas W. Lawson encountered prolonged bad weather and lost all longed bag weather and lost at he. boats on the trip out from Philadelphia. She sighted Scilly islands and finding herself in a dangerous position dropped both anchors, the captain hoping that the weather would

Captain Dow and the crew might pro-

Captain Dow and the crew might have escaped when the ship was first driven on the Scilly Rocks, but refused to leave their posts.

The Lawson, which was chartered to the Standard Oil Company, and carried a large crew, was bound from Philadelphia to London. Briven out of her course by the terrific storm, she anchored last night off the islands. Capt, Dow evidently fearing she would otherwise drive on the reefs.

reefs.

When the lifeboats put off to her pssistance, the captain said he preferred to stick to his ship and his crew stood by him. It is conjectured that the captain tried oiling the waves, but that the storm was too heavy to be weathered and that the cost faulty turned turtle her seven. craft finally turned turtle to render her topheavy.

TROUBLE IN PERSIA

Populace Enraged-Parliament Buildings Fired Upon. Cabinet Resigns.

Popular agitation against the delay in the execution of soldiers who recently murdered two shop-keepers

recently murdered two snop-keepers of Teheran, reached a climax in hostile demonstrations on the streets, firing on the parliament building and the resignation of the cabinet.

The shah ordered the arrest of the premier, Nasir el Mulk, and the minister of the interior, Seni El Dowleh, and Alla El Dowleh, the governor of Shira. Parliament has demanded an explanation of the shah's action and is sitting in permanent session until is sitting in permanent session until the answer is received.

The city is in a state of siege.

The bazars have closed and the palace, the legation and the consulates are under guard. Tribal cavalry and Cossacks are paradirg the streets and the outlook is serious.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The next Democratic national convention will meet at Denver, Col., July 7, 1908.

A brilliant naval ball, attended by society beauties of Washington, Baltimore and other cities, was given at Norfolk in honor of Admiral Evans. The effect of the scene was eightened by the gorgeous uniforms of the hundreds of officers

Speaker Cannon announced the ap-pintment of the following commit-

on Rules—The speaker, Mr. Dalzell (Rep.), Pennsylvania; Mr. Sherman (Rep.), New York; John Sharp Williams (Dem.), Mississippi; Mr. De Armond (Dem.), Missouri

On Mileage—Mr. Brumm (Rep.) Pennsylvania; Mr. Kennedy (Rep.) Iowa; A. D. James (Rep.), Kentucky (Dem.) Georgia; Mr Denver (Dem.), Ohio.

General Funston found the situa-tion at Goldfield, Nev., more serious than he supposed, and 'listened to many appeals to not withdraw the

CATCHES BARREL OF WINE

West Virginia Fisherman Makes ar Unexpected Haul.

George Showalter, while fishing in the Ohio river two miles below New Martinsville, W. Va., caught a barrel

Two weeks ago J. U. Briggs shipped 25 barrels of wine to Wheeling and in loading it on a boat one barrel rolled into the river and was lost.

It had rolled along the bottom of the stream two miles.

DEFENSES WERE WEAK

Russian General Testifies in Trial of Port Arthur.

Port Arthur.

General Kurcpatkin tostified at the trial by court martial of Lieutenant General Stosseol and other army officers, charged with needlessly surrendering Port Arthur to the Japanese, and what he said made a sensation in the courtroom.

He declared the Japanese could have taken Port Arthur by assault in the early days of the war. The defenses were then so incomplete, General Kuropatkin went on, that the ortress must have fallen at the first vigorous attack, but the slowness of the Japanese and the resistance made by the army in the field gave the the army in the field gave the ssians time to improve defense ns time to improve defense which had withstood the Jap-

on the whole, General Kuropat-kin's evidence was favorable to Gen-

eral Stoessel. The conduct of General Fock, who complished. The conduct of teneral rock, who is tharged with responsibility for the defeat at Nanchan and the subsequent retirement to Port Arthur, also was reviewed—by the court, and the evidence of General Kuropatkin was helpful to this officer as well.

BREWERS TALK REFORM

Ohio Association Proposes to Place Saloons on Higher Plane.

At a meeting of the Ohio Brewers' Association held in Cleveland, the Association held in Cleveland, the campaign to reform the saloon was begun. No beer will be sold to dive keepers. Where Sunday closing is demanded, the law will be enforced so far as the brewers have power. An effort will be made to stop the sale of liquor to drunkards and minors, and saloon loafing will be stopped.

CAPITAL NOTES.

as legal tender.
Representative Perkins of New York re-introduced his inheritance tax bill, so amended as to give one half the tax to the state and one half to the federal government.

The senate committee on Military affairs authorized a favorable report on the appointment of Brigadier General J. B. Aleshire to be quartermas-

115,000 RATS SLAUGHTERED

Campaign Against Frisco Plague Brings Results.

Only three verified cases of plaguhave occurred at San Francisco so far this month and the sanitary camfar this month and the sanitary cam-paign waged by the Maritime Hos-life Service corps under Dr. Rupert gheny of Pittsburg; National, of

paign waged by the Maritime Hos-prial Service corps, under Dr. Rupert Blue, is proving effective.

Approximately 115,000 rats have been killed, 7,189 premises inspected, 107 houses disinfected and three houses destroyed. There has been a marked decrease in the number of rats caught by the sanitary forces, Only 3,000 were killed last week, against 12 000, the maximum num-ber, one week in October.

FOUR KILLED AND CREMATED Stick of Dynamite Proves Dangerous

Plaything. Four persons were killed and cre mated near Bristol, Tenn., on the farm of John Duff, whose son, William, was playing with a stick of

dynamite.

The dynamite exploded, killing the boy and Mrs. Nathaniel Barnes and Mrs. Elijah Moody and her child. The house caught fire and cremated the bodles.

MONONGAH'S DEATH LIST

Total Number of Bodies Found so Far Nearly 350.

LIME THROWN IN STREETS

Taking Sanitary Precautions. Under takers Exhausted by Sickening Task.

been explored by searching parties. A total of 388 bodies has now been taken from the death pits, and it is estimated that within 48 hours the end of the work will have been ac-

The Fairmont Coal Company offirials state that the number of dead will be considerably below 400, ac-cording to the house to house can-vass, which has been almost com-pleted. The home of almost every known employe has been visited and

ROWN employe has been visited and the remaining ones, some of which are situated in the country districts, will be visited by noon tomorrow. It is now conservatively estimated that over 200 women have been left widows. The number of orphans will aggregate between 800 and 1,000. of this number a great majority reside in Monongah and immediate vicinity. Some in the Old Country were dependent upon money sent them by their husbands. These are

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The reform committee will have its beadquarters at Payton and detectives will be employed to ferret out undesirable places. The browers say they will work in harmony with the Anti-Saloon league to place the saloon upon a litcher plane.

LAND FOR MINERS' WIDOWS

Plot for Each Relict of Victims of Monongah Disaster.

The R. Roy. P. J. Donahue received a letter from J. B. Finsler of New York formerly of Weston, W. V.a. in which the latter offered aid to Monongah widows and orphans in the shape of land in Georgia. He proposes to give a plot to each widow.

ROBBERS SHOT TO DEATH.

Posse Surrounds Fleeing Criminal and Take No Chances.

Two men who had attempted to rothe postorice at Windock, Wash, were chood by a posse, surrounded in the woods and shot to death. Their names are not know.

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Advices received at Laila Magnalia, are to the effect that the officers of the Morocco rebel commander. Roghi, have defeated the troops of the suitan near Marchica. One hundered persons on both sides were killed, among them being several lead ers.

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Two statements were issued by the coal company through President C. W. Watson tonight. He states:

"After a careful census of the community, we can say positively that the death list does not exceed 338. Nearly all of these have been recovered. All working places in Representative Goulden of New York introduced a bill making October 12 a national holiday, in celebration of the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus. October 12, 1492. The new holiday is to be called "Discovery Day."

Representative Ashbrook today in troduced a bill appropriating \$50,000 for a public building at Wooster, Ohio, and Representative Mouser introduced one appropriating \$30,000 for Marion, Ohio.

It is probable there will soon be another primary at which citizens of Clearfield will indicate their choice for postmaster. The candidates and the issues are the same as four years ago. J. M. Chase is the holder of the office and John Martin wants it.

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Favors Pension for Life Savers.

Representative Thomas of North Carolina, after an interview with President Roosevelt, said the President indicated he was heartify in favor of pensioning life savers, a proposition which will be advanced during the present session of congress.

of the children, Raymond Snoind, Six years old, and Caroline Huntley, four years old, were found shortly afterward at Mrs. Huntley's home. They had been stupefied by illuminating as and then drowned in a bath-tub The children were on a visit to their grandmother.

'PHONE MERGER EFFECTED

Five Big Companies Operating in the Oreatest of Bulgarian Revolutionists Assassinated by a Comrade. Assassinated by a Comrade. Ohio Valley Consolidate.

Official announcement was made of the merger of five big independent telephone companies operating in the

Sending Money to Europe.

While the banks are bringing millions in money into the United States, the foreign-born population of the country is sending millions out. The foreign postal order business of the New York postoffice for the last month was \$6,631,837, while the figures for November 1906, were \$5. for November, 1906, were \$5,

Directors of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad declared a regular quarterly dividend of 2 per cent, payable January 2.

SEVEN KILLED.

Forty Men Thrown from Broken Bridge Into Swollen Stream.

High water caused the collapse of new bridge in course of crection ver the west branch of the Susqueover the west branch of the Susque-hanna river at Miffinville, eight miles north of Bloomsburg, Pa., and resulted in the death of seven men and the injury of nearly a score of others, two perhaps fatally. Forty men were at work on the traveler on the middle span of the structure when it collapsed. They were all theowy into the river.

ing Task.

A dispatch from Fairmont, W. Va.

Says all the devasted subterranean territory under Monongah Hill except a few of the death chambers have heen explored by searching parties.

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The Dead—A. W. Fahs, Selins Grove: Charles Creitzer, Selins Grove: Adam Nuss, Selins Grove: Adam Tritt, Beaver Valley: Irvin Updegraff, Georgetown; Millard Bowman, Mifflinville: George B. Faux, address unknown.

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Debris carried down the stream by the flood, it is said, struck the falsework of the bridge and caused its collapse.

The accident occurred at nightfall when the men were preparing to quit work. As a result, the work of rescuing those who were thrown into the water and caught in the mass of twisted iron and steel, was greatly retarded. The second span of the wider was being executed and it was ridge was being erected and it section that fell with the big

bodies of four of those killed were found floating on the surface of the water entangled in the best and twisted girders and iron work, but the others have not been found.

SUCCESSFUL OPERATION

WEATHER MADE TO ORDER.

Chio Man Invents Plan to Control Atmospheric Conditions by Electricity.

After experimenting since the Civil War John C. Bedient of Hudson, O., announces that through the projection of an electric current of tremendous voltage from a special system of coherers and relays he can mention certain names and charge Din and the competion of the connection the report will show that facts were developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the connection of the connection the report will mention certain names and charge Din and the connection that length a rather startling series of more or less alleged shady transactions that the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be developed which proved conclusively certain men had formed particular took and the can be de tion of an electric current of tre-mendous voltage from a special sys-tem of coherers and relays he can control weather conditions. His in-vention is in the hands of patent at-torneys, and Cleveland capitalists, it is said, will incorporate the American Weather Snydicate at \$500,000 to deal in weather as a commodity.

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Bedient's laboratory looks like a wireless telegraph station. By directing-currents of high voltage into the air he claims to be able to attract or drive away clouds charged with electricity within a radius of ten miles. He asserts he can control

wind currents.

It is his design ultimately to place the apparatus in the hands of the United States Weather Bureau.

Killed Her Grandchildren. Mrs. Emery Huntley walked into a police station at Somerville, Mass., and announced that she had killed her two grandchildren. The boo of the children, Raymond Shomo, years old, and Caroline Huntley, f

BORIS SARAFOFF SLAIN.

all the leaders of the Bulgari bands in Macedonia, was shot de at the threshold of his house by

telephone companies operating in the Ohio valley: Pittsburg and Allegheny of Pittsburg; National, of Wheeling; Belmont, of Martins Ferry, Bridgeport and Bellaire, O., and West Virginia, of Parkersburg.

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Will Dignify Naval Militia.

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The directors of the Western Union The directors of the Western Union Telegraph Company declared a quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent, but instead of making it payable in cash as usual, it will be paid in stock of the company, of which \$2,630,000 is held unissued in the treasury.

DECLINES TO BE CANDIDATE

President Makes Formal Statement to This Effect.

INTENDED TO WAIT A WHILE

Recent Clayton Resolution Is Believed to Have Been a Determining Factor.

President Roosevelt announced his unaltered purpose not to accept the nomination for the presidency in in

The announcement was in almost the briefest possible form, except that he quoted his own statement of election night in 1904 and the dec-haration-was prefaced by the follow-ing sentence, which appeared at the head of the statement given out from the White House. White House:
"In view of the issuance of the call

of the Republican National commit tee for the convention, the President makes the following statement:"
The President's announcements

then follow:
"On the night after election I made the following announcement;
"I am deenly sensible of the "'I am deeply sensible of the honor done me by the American peohe water entangled in the bent and let water entangled in the bent and let water entangled in most work, but the others have not been found.

Many of the men were caught in the rapid water and carried a mile own the river before they were

it.

"On the fourth of March next I shall have served three and a half years, and this three and a half years constitutes my first term. The wise custom which limits the President to two terms regards the substance and not the form, and under no circumstances will I be a candidate for or accept another nomination."

I have not changed and shall not change the decision thus announced."
What caused the President to give out the letter, when its substance was already known and had been widely published, and just why the President issued his third-term statement toxight are matters for enjective. ment tonight are matters for conjecture. One theory is that this had the

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A few days ago Representative layton, of Alabama, introduced a sociution in the house, declaring it is be the sense of the American people. ple that no President should accept a third term. That resolution was identical with the resolution intro-duced in the house in 1876 by Repre-sentative Springer, of Illinois, to head of the Grant third-term move-

PLOT TO ROB INDIANS

Senate Committee Ready to Report Evidences of Big Frauds

The sub-committee of the senate ome of senators of Senators Teller, Curtis and La Follette, which investigated the alleged fraudulent purchases of Kickapoo Indian lands, in Oklahoma, today the committee of the senate of the s practically agreed upon a report that will disclose and recount at length a

In this connection the report will mention certain names and charge that there were through fraudulent practices, obtained at an expenditure of not over \$20,000, lands aggregating in value \$250,000.

The committee also found evidence of corrupt Mexican officials and bankers in that region; it also found that names of Indians had been forged to a large number of deeds and checks. a large number of deeds and checks.
One Indian, the report will state,
was arrested on a charge of murder
and released after he had agreed to and released after he had agreed to sell a certain strip of his land worth

\$15,000 for \$3,000 The deed in the transaction showed that seven pieces of land had been included in the description, and the Indian was made to sign it without knowing its true contents.

To Stop Contributions.

Senator Culberson introduced a bill to prohibit corporations making contributions in connection with elections and to provide for the publication of lawful contributions. The bill is in the nature of an amendment

TO HELP BANK EXAMINERS

eling Expenses Proposed.

arian dead Michigan introduced a bill amending the national banking act by providitime ing that all national bank examiners

Donation from Henry Phipps.

Senator Dick today introduced a bill establishing a naval militia and placing it upon practically the same footing with the government as the searold work in the tuberculosis dis-pensary which he endowed two years ago. The amount of the gift was not disclosed. Mr. Phipps already had given the hospital \$20,000.

The Swiss State Council has approved a plan for the immediate construction of a second Simplon tunnel through the Alps.

TILLMAN QUESTIONS BONDS.

Asks Inquiry If Certificates and Pan ama Issue Were Lawful.

Senator Tillman introduced reso lutions directing the Committee on Finance to investigate the recent proceedings of the Secretary of the Treasury in connection with the financial crisis and also to make inquiry concerning clearing house cer-

ulty concerning clearing house cer-ificates.

Resolutions direct the Committee Resolutions direct the Committee on Finance to investigate and report to the Senate whether the issue of certificates of indebtgdness were for the purpose of borrowing money "to meet public expenditure," as provided by the act of 1899, and if not whether there is any warrant of law for the issue; whether the issue of \$75.066.000 Papaga, Canal bonds was \$50,000,000 Panama Canal bonds was required to "defray the expenditures required to "defray the expenditures on the canal, there being at the time when both of these loans were made upward of \$700,000,000 in the Treasury for current expenditures;" whether any legislation is necessary to project the husiness interests of the tect the business interests of country from the issue of unlawful

Senator Tillman asked that unanimous consent be given him to ad-dress the Senate on his resolution, but Mr. Lodge suggested that in the absence of Mr. Aldrich, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, the resolution should go over.

LONG LEASE CANCELED.

Stockholders of Pere Marquette Decide on Reorganization Plans.

Stockholders of the Pere Marquette Railroad adopted the plan for a reorganization, which involves the cancellation of the lease to the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton for 999 years the consolidation of the Pere Marquette Railroad of Indiana, and the settlement of accounts and claims by Judsen Harmon and W. W. Crapo

There will be a \$5,000,000 issue of five-year 6 per cent debentures to pay the receivers' certificates issued for taxes and other obligations. The total capital stock, \$22.590.000, is not increased. The first directors' meetincreased. The first directors meeting, at which officers will be elected, will be held early next week. The first Tuesday in April next a general stockholders' meeting for the election of new directors will be held.

PLAGUE STILL GENERAL.

San Francisco Not Out of Danger of Bubonic Plague.

The next report of the health and marine hospital s will contain the official statement that bubonic plague infection is still generally distributed in San Francisco, but the percentage is very much lower than was at first reported. Up to December 7 the total number of cases reached 112; total deaths, 67; death rate, 59.8 per cent. The statistics show that in India, from April last to October, there were 553,557 cases of plague and 479,914 deaths therefrom. official statemen

Prince George of Greece Weds.

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With the rite of the Greek church
the religious ceremony uniting in
marriage Prince George, second son
of the King of Greece, and Princess
Marie Bonaparte was performed at
the Cathedral at Athens in the presence of the King and Queen of
Greece and a gathering of dignitaries. The civil marriage ceremoney
took place in France November 21. oart-the All Athens is celebrating the event.

CURRENT NEWS EVENTS.

Dinilulu, the Zulu King, who has

Straus in annual report said govern-ment should change method of en-forcing Chinese exclusion, if it would not kill friendship of great Oriental empire. Senator Platt of New York said he

would make way for President Roosevelt, should the President become a member of the United States senate after his term in the White House expires.

tion of lawful contributions. The bill is in the nature of an amendment to the law of January 26, 1907, prohibiting national banks and other corporations making contributions in connection with elections.

TO HELP BANK EXAMINERS

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Chicago. An extradition treaty, the essence of which is essentially the same as that existing between the United States and the countries of Latin

All but one of the 354 cities and towns of the State of Massachusetts have gone on record on the question of permitting the sale of intoxicating liquors, and tabulations show a nolicense majority in Massachusetts of the sale of the sa over 13,000. License by this year's elections is now favored in 14 cities and 72 towns, while prohibition prevails in 18 cities and 249 towns.

Vessel Is Abandoned.

The Norwegian bark Alert, of Mandal, Norway, which sailed from New York November 27, was abandoned at sea December 2. Her crew were rescued by the Friesland, from Philadelphia, November 30, and ar-rived at Queenstown, December 11. The Alert was dismasted in a storm.

The Philadelphia, Baltimore & Washington Railroad Company has declared the regular semi-annual