LATEST NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

AFTER BIG PLATES.

Navy Department Trying to Find How Large They Can Be Made.

The ordnance officers of the Navy Department are in correspondence with the Carnegie Steel company and the Bethlehem Iron company regarding specifications for the armor plate intended for the new battleships.

mor plate intended for the new faitheadips, Kentucky and Kearsarge. It is understood that the specifications will differ very slightly from those under which previous contracts have been made. The conditions of the acceptance test will be probably more severe than they are now. The specifications will be completed and bids invited within the next week. These has been some delay on account of

bids invited within the next week. There has been some delay on account of certain inquiries sent to Fittsburg affid Bethlehem a few days ago. These two firms were invited to let the department know what are the largest sized plates which could be gotten out with the present facili-ties. Since the last contract was made both firms have enlarged their plants, and better facilities have been provided for the manu-facture of atmor, and both concerns are now able to furnish plates of larger dimensions

Inclure of armor, and both concerns are now able to furnish plates of larger dimensions than were manufactured under the previous specifications. It is desired by the ordnance officers, in providing armor for warships, to have as few separate plates as possible. The ideal standard of armor, if it were possible to at-tain it, would be to encase ships' hulls in a solid sheet of heavy nickel steel. The specifications of the new battleships will not be completed as regards the size of the respective plates until the exact capacity of the two armor plants is known. Sufficient time will be allowed the two firms to propare

time will be allowed the two items to prepare their bids. It is anticipated that the contrast will be about equally divided between the two companies, as it has been in the past.

STATEHOOD BILLS.

Arizona and New Mexico Will Be Considered Next Week.

The statehood bills for the admission of the Territories of Arizona and New Mexico will be again passed upon by the House Committee on Territories at its meeting next Thursday.

The committee decided without any formal

The committee decided without any formal vote to take the bills up next week and vote upon them a second time. The New Mexico bill has been reported favorably to the Sen-ate, but the House Committee by a very close vote taken several weeks ago decided not to report it to the House. It is now claimed by the advocates of state-hood that two committeemen who voted against reporting the bills have decided that the best plan will be to lay them before the Honse and let the whole House take the re-sponsibility of passing or rejecting them. This course has been advocated by some of the party leaders in the House.

Copyright Reforms.

The investigation of copyright laws which has been carried on for several weeks by the house Committee on Patents will probably

house committee on Fatents will protably lead to a more or less comprehensive re-vision of the copyright system. One of the principal changes likely to re-sult will be the establishment of a bureau of copyrights in connection with the Congres-sional Library, which now has charge of all the copyright business, but which has not a sufficiently large clerical force to properly handle this work.

a sufficiently large clerical force to properly handle this work. Mr. Spofford, the Librarian of Congress, has been asked to report to the committee the amendments of the present law, which he considers desirable, and when the committee has discussed his recommendations there will be drawn a substitute for the Treioar bill, embodying such improvement as meet the approval of the members.

Warner Miller, President of the Nicaragua Warner Miller, President of the Nicaragua Canai Company, appeared before the House Committee on Commerce. He severely crit-ieised the report of the Government Com-mission which visited the lathnus last sum-mer, saying that, without knowledge of en-gineering, it had made impracticable recom-mendations. He also complained of the ef-fect the Senate bill had had in influencing capitalists against the company.

TRADE REVIEW.

No Important Features Except Exports on

American Wool and Iron. R. G. Dun & Co., say: The returns of

BATTLE IN CUBA. The Insurgents Defeated With a Loss of

The Insurgents Defeated With a Loss of Fifteen Men. The column of troops commanded by Col. Pavia has been engaged with Insurgent cal-vary, numbering about 1,000 men, under the leadership of Lacret at the plantation of San Jonquin. The Spanish eavily charged the enemy, and the latter retreated, leaving fi-teen killed on the field. Among the latter were three officers. The troops also exp-tured a quantity of arms and annualition and charge equipments. The columns of troops commanded by Cols, Sanchez and Echevarria have captured the camps of the insurgents at Choeffo and

Cole, Samehez and Echevarrin have captured the camps of the insurgents at Chorito and Santa Monica, province of Finar del Rio, and in so doing are said to have obtained pos-session of nearly all the supplies of the in-surgents in that province. The stores were in charge of Burmudese, and in the engage-ments between the troops and the insurgents the latter left 50 killed and retired with many the latter left 50 killed and retired with many wounded. The troops destroyed the stores which could not be made available for the use of the army, and as part of the plunder belonged to the inhabitants of l'inar del Bio, who had suffered at the hands of Macco's raiders, a quantity of stolen property will be restored to its owners. It is estimated that the stores enptured were worth over \$200,000.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKS.

A new brick rolling mill near Chrisinniti, will furnish work for 1,000 men. Judge Olbhons, at Chicago, refused to ap-point a receiver for the Linseed Oil trust, Albert M. Hall, a supposed newspaper man of New York, committed suicide at a hotel in

M New York, committed salende at a noter in Cincinnati, Kcaran Reed, a retired manufacturer of New York, aged 87 years, committed suicide because of disease and old age. Mutiny has broken out in the army o Bolivia, and several have been killed. The elections may be declared off on this ac-count.

Leon & H. Bloom, of Galveston, the largest wholesale dry goods dealers in Texas. have failed, with liabilities of $\pm 2,000,000$ and assets of $\pm 2,500,000$.

Ex-Police Captain, W. S. Devery, was ac-uitted at New York of the charge of extort-ag money from Contractor Grancis Sea-

The schedule of Patrick H. Kelly, the prominent politician who failed at St. Paul recently shows liabilities of \$534,227, and as sets of \$354,208. Paul Kittle Strain, a waitress in a variety

ter at Sacramento, Cal., was shot and killed by her lover, Frederick Englehardt, on Thursday night.

Hiram H. Morrison, of Boston, who was alaced under arrest Monday night after his vife had been found dead in their home, has onfessed that he chocked the woman to beat.

death. The colored people of Columbia, Oklahoma, have imprisoned Pierre Roulet, a French set-tier, and propose to hold him until France gives reparation for the imprisonment of Walter

Waller. The remains of Peari Bryan, murdered at Fort Jackson, Ky, were interred at Green Castle, Ind., Friday, aithough her futher pro-tested against the burial before the discovery of her minimum for the fourial before the discovery of her missing head,

The National Liberal federation of Great The National Liberal federation of Great Britain adopted resolutions declaring its con-fidence in Lord Roseberry and that it would not rest until the Liberal party had again been restored to power. If denounced the expedition into the Soudan and blamed the government for not suppressing the outrages in Armenia. in Armenia

TERRIBLE DISTURBANCES.

In the Antipodes There Are Hurricanes, Earthquakes and Fires.

The most violent disturbances prevail in the Antipodes. A second heat wave sent the theremometer upward, the mercury climbing to a point never before reached. At Adelaide the temperature reached the highest point yet recorded, while at Mel-bourne, deaths from heat, apoplexy and sin-stroke, have reached an alarming number. Numerous serious fires also took place, canned by spontaneous melositics and a

Numerous serious fires also took pince, caused by spontaneous combastion, and at all factories double guards have been pinced to prevent combustion through heat generat-ing in closely-stored goods. In the country large ranges of bush have

been set on fire and surrounding settlements are threatened. At Alexander, Waterloo and been set on live and surrounding settlements are threatened. At Alexander, Waterloo and Wagga, typhoid fever is raging, the mortai-ity being very great. The epidemic is caused by impure water owing to the wells being dried up. At Melbourne the typhoid epi-demic has assumed alarming proportions, the fever wards in the hospitals are full and heree numbers are turned away.

THE WAR SITUATION IN GUBA.

STILL DESTROYING PROPERTY.

Insurgents Displaying Great Activity in

* all Parts of Cuba

The insurgents have burned 40 houses in the village of Punta Brava, and on the farm of San Ramon, in the Santa Spiritus district

of the province of Santa Clara. They also destroyed several stores at Bacarando tona. In the province of Pinar del Rio insurgents burned the fields and houses the plantations of Begona, Dos Her-nos, Mercelta, Ascuncione and Bra-HIS VILLA antes,

manos, Mercetta, Assumetone and Bra-males. The insurgents are displaying extreme rigor in enforcing their prohibitions against coundymen bringing vegetables and milk to Sancti Spiritas. As a consequence the sick and children are suffering, and groeers are enjoying the benefit of greatly enhanced prices. The report that the insurgents banged five laborers in Santa Chara was in-correct. It is reaffirmed that Quintin Ban-dera, the insurgent leader diet from his wounds. nda.

In recent engagements in the various provinces the Spanish claim a total of 18 killed.

killed. During the night of March 18 the forts of Sancti Spiritus were attacked. No details are reported. Colonei Martin reports from Tunls that he has had five fights with the enemy and has captured the Insurgent leader Lagon, to-gether with his family and four others.

A MILITARY MISTARE.

Each Force Took the Other for Insurgents. Seven Killed.

Another terrible mistake, attended with as of life and resulting in many soldiers he-

ing wounded, has taken place. In some mannor unexplained, two columns of Span-ish troops opened fire upon each other on the step. 24th.

According to the few details received here, the columns of troops commanded by Gen. Godoy and Col. Roiguin, at the Santa Rosa plantation, near Experators, province of Santa Clara, mutually mistook each other for in-surgent forces, owing, it is said, to the thick-ness of the sugar case. Each detachment opened fire upon each other and for 10 min-nites shirts were exchanged, resulting in the killing of 17 soldiers, among them being Lieut, Col. Fuenmayor, of the Navos battal-lion. In addition 5 officers and 84 soldiers were wounded. Two of the lattar have since died and 32 are eriously wounded. Smallpox is epidemic at Regin, in Havana harbor, according to La Lucha. There is considerable yellow fever in the Havana Hospital. According to the few details received here

Hospital.

The Bermuda Reaches Cuba.

The Bermuda Reaches Cuba. Information has been received in New York that the steamship Bermuda, which left that port March 16, loaded with arms and ammonition for the insurgents, has safely landed her enrgo on the shores of Cuba. It was reported that Calixto Garsia headed the party, and that the vast quantity of arms and ammunition on the Bermuda had been conveyed to the beadquarters of the Cuban forces.

WANT EIGHT HOURS.

Carpenter's Union May Test This Question by a National Strike.

The executive committee of the National Federation of Labor began its regular conference in Indianapolis, Ind., March 23. Those present were: President Gompers, Sec-Those present were President Compers, Sec-retary August McGraith, P. J. Maguire of Philadelphia, first vice-president; James Duncan, of Baltimore, second vice-president James O'Conneil, of Chicago, third vice-president, and M. M. Garland of Pittsburg, fourth vice-president. The conference lasted until a late hour and was devoted chiefly to a discussion of the best means of beforeing

a discussion of the best means of bringing about an eight-hour day. A poll of those present showed a unani-mous scattiment in favor of taking executive action at once that will test the question as to whether the affiliated labor organizations of the sountry are equally of according what to whether the affiliated labor organizations of the country are capable of securing what they claim to be their rights in this particu-lar. To devise ways and means the matter was referred to a sub-committee composed of Messrs. Maguire, Lennon and O'Conneil. There are three national organizations, the Carpenters, Iron Ore workers and Horse-shoers, who have volunteered to do mything that the equations are not been about

A SPLIT IN TEXAS.

The Cowboy State Convention Ends In a Free Fight.

The Texas Republican state convention, which had been in session in Austin since Tuesday, finally adjourned sine die Thurs-day afternoon. The result of the convention

Tresslay, finally adjourned sine die Thurs-day afternoon. The result of the convention was foreshalowed by the report of the cra-dentials committee which favored the Reed-Allison delegates as against those of McKin-ley. The Reed and Allison men then organ-ized the convention, though not without a fight, in which blows were exchanged. The convention adopted a platform, the entremy plank of which reads as follows: "We reaffirm the historic adherence of the Republican party to sound finance. We de-mand an honesk dollar of greatest purchas-ing power for every class alike; the largest issue of gold, silver and paper compatible with trade and the requirements of trade, all of equal value interchangeable one for the other, every dollar resting on gold as as money of final redemption. The Repub-licans of Texas declare this to be their de-liberate indement, the only basis for a large and liberal chronitation of money and for the maintename of universal confidence. The convention then elected the following delegates to the St. Loals convention. N. W. Cuncy, of Galveston, colored, Allison man, E. H. Terreil, of Sam Antonio, Allison man, E. H. Terreil, of Sam Antonio, and Engene Marshal, of Texas. The deliverate bested the selectors decaye C. Clifford, of Sam Antonio, and Engene Marshal, of Texas. The deliverate be selection of the elec-tors, the McKinley men making an effort to output the convention. On the platform they were opposed by Fresident Cuney and his followers. The first negro in the rea-mand several others were knocked down, but order was linally restored and the con-venton adjourned sine de.

vention adjourned sine die. Immediately after the regular convention adjourned the McKinley faction took charge of the hali, and organized a con-vention in due form, electing the follow-ing delegates to St. Louis: John Gant, of Shermon; Frank Hamilton, of Austin; S. L. Smith, of Colorado, and W. E. Davis, of Ft. Worth. Alternates — E. D. Anderson, W. H. Love, R. G. Collins and Richard Allen. The electors named were: E. F. Hunt and A. H. Caldwell. Caldwell

Caldwell. The convention did not consider a plat-form, but adopted resolutions indorsing Me-Kinley for President, and instructing the delegates sent from Austin to vote for him as long as his name was before the conven-

NEW YORK'S NEW LIQUOR LAW

The Raines Bill Knocks Out Sunday Saloons

and Free Lunch.

"In the exercise of the power vested in the president by the 3d paragraph of section 6,of the act entitled, "An act to regulate and im-prove the civil service of the United States," aproved Jan. 16, 1883. I hereby direct the sec-retary of the interior to amend the classifi-cation of interior to department so as to include among the positions classified thereander and subject to competitive examination clerk, as-sistant clerk and other elerical positions at Indian agencies and Indian schools; likewiso to amend the classification of the Indian ser-vice so as to include among the positions classified thereander supervisor of Indian schools, day school inspector, disciplinarian, industrial teacher, kindergarten teacher, farmer, narse, assistant matron and seam-stress. Gov, Morton signed the Baines liquor tax bill. The bill, which was violently opposed by the liquor interests, is designed to bring about a radical reform of the excise laws. It does away with excise boards in cities and towns and gives the power to grant and re-voke licenses to a single board under State

ontrol. It is expected that the new law will reduc It is expected that the new law will reduce the number of saloons, will bring citals under a uniform license system and will protect churches and school-houses. It will also aid Sunday enforcement, as blinds will be kept up and the bill provides for the forfeiture of licenses. Free lunches are also prohibited. The principal argument against the bill was that the poorer class of saloonkeepers, chief-by those that sold only beer, would be forced out of the business by the high license fee which the bill provides for and that the measure was therefore, class legislation. The State Brewers and Malsters associa-tion intend to fight the Raines law. They have engaged two leading law firms to do the fighting for them. Mr. Untermeyer said that as soon as the law gees into effect be will get up a test case and bring the mat-ter into the courts. the number of saloons, will bring clubs under It was Smashed and a Number of Women

TWO LIVES LOST.

Fire Follows and Explosion of Gas in a

Mine.

bont. A favoring wind sent them along with great rapidity for about a mile, when the left ronner of the lee bont struck an open crack. In a minute the boat was smashed to kind-ling wood, and the crack in the lee, opened by the force of the blow, was filled with the passengers of the boat. With their heavy winter wraps the party was powerless in the chilling water, and had not help been sum-moned from other boats and St. Ignace the majority of the party would have been drowned. The ice boat was a total wreck, and the miracle is that any escaped from the disaster alive. The gas in mine No. 1, at Adrian, operated by the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburg Coal and Iron Company exploded Sunday and the and Iron Company exploited Sunday and the mine is on fire. It is impossible to get into the mine any distance although the explosion occurred two miles back. Shortly after 12 o'clock the fire boss heard an explosion, and in the morning the men going to work were overcome. Some escaped and the alarm was given. When Superintendent Ed Robinson overcome. When Superintendent Ed Robinson and a crew went to rescue the men they were overcome. Three escaping miners found Robinson and dragged him out as far as pos-sible, when, to save themselves, they drop-ped him, making their escape. His brother, General Manager L. W. Robinson, then went to with a crew and brought him out unconalive Bill to do Away with Capital Punishment in with a crew and brought him out uncon-scious. Eleven men were brought out, with two dead. The dead are: Isaac Jones, mar-ried, with three children; Joe Lawrence, widower, with 11 children. Both the men were rescuers.

THIRTEEN MEN WERE KILLED.

AWFUL HAVOC

Wrought by a Mine Explosion in Pennsyl-

vanis.

There was a gas explosion at the Berwind-

White shaft, at the eastern limits of Dubois, Pa.,

Monday forenoon, and thirteen miners were

killed. It is a new mine which the company

has been opening up and working crows in

OPEN TO RED MEN.

Civil Service Appointments Extended to

Embrace Poor Lo.

order extending the civil service to practic-

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tress, "Indians shall be eligible for appointment o any of said positions on such test of fitness is may be required by the secretary of the attentor, and without examination or certi-station be the advit account and the secretary in the secretary of the secretary secretary secretary secretary in the secretary secretary secretary secretary secretary is a secretary of the secretary sec

ention by the elvil service commission: but hey shall not be transferred from said posi-

Hops to the departmental service. "Approved March 20, 1856, Grover Cleve-land."

DISASTER TO AN ICEBOAT.

Spilled.

A part of Josiah Simpkins' comedy com-

Fuesday night, started to cross the straits in order that they might attend the ice boat re-getta at Mackinae island. They were accom-panied by their band, and engaged a big ice boat.

Summary of the Most Important Measures Presented in Both Rouses.

CONGRESSIONAL,

Presented in Both Houses. EXOUTY-SECOND DAY. The Choan resolutions took the course to-day in the Senate to which the current of the debate has been drifting for some time past. That is, the conference report was, ch motion of Mr. Sherman himself, dissurged to and the Senate insisted on its agreement to the House substitute for the Senate reac-intions, and asked for a further conference. To-day's session of the House was chiffly given up to District of Columbia business, and the remainder of the session was spent in the consideration of a bill to modify the existing law regarding the purishment of origines committed under Federal jurisdiction, involving the death penalty, so as to allow is sentence to prison for Hic. EGUIT-THIRD DAY.

EIGHTY-THIRD DAY.

has been opening up and working crews in shafts to push the headings out in various directions for big work later on. Eighteen men went on at 7 o'cleek Monday morning. It going into the north heading and four in-to the south heading. About 10 o'clock the four were sensible of a shock and a few min-utes later the mine bass came to them and told them something had happened and that they should get out as soon as they could. When the party, then consisting of five, reached the foot of the shaft they were near-ly overcome by gas and were hurrredly taken up in the cage. Assistance was im-mediately summoned, practical miners from the Beil, Lewis and Yates company mines im-mediately volunteered their services and as the work of rescue proceeded it was discov-ered that the should be north heading was so terrifie that some of the bodies were mult-lated almost beyond recognition, and that those who had not yet been found could not possibly escaped violent death. Beilt of the foot of the shaft, where they are being collected preparatory to being brought to the surface. In the house to-day the bill to abolish the In the house to-day the bill to abolish the death penalty in certain cases in which it is prescribed in the federal statutes was based. Mr. Evans called up a bill to amend the in-ternal revenue laws so as to make the sale of spirituous liquors, except under the brand which they were known to the trade, desig-nating the kind and quality, punishable by a fine of \$500 and imprisonment for six months and the forfeiture of the liquors. It was passed.

and the forfeiture of the fiquors. It was passed. The matter of chief interest in the Senato to-day was the speech of Mr. Mills, Demo-crat, of Texns, in support of his joint resolu-tion requesting the President to procure from the Spanish government the right of self-government for Cuba; or, in event of Spain's refusal, to take military possession of the island and hold it until the Cubans organize a government and raise military and naval forces for its defense.

EIGHTY-FOURTH DAY.

<text> The president has issued a comprehensive order extending the civil service to practic-ally the entire Indian service, save those of ficers above and including that of agent, to which appointments are made by the presi-dent, and the few minor positions of a labor-ing character like cooks and washerwormen. Indians who show their fitness hereafter are to be allowed appointment to any of these positions, though they cannot secure trans-ters to positions in the classified service out-side of the Indian work. The order is as fol-lows:

EIGHTY-FIFTH DAY.

Mr. Morrill, of Vermont, presented the Senate a joint resolution appointing Ber-nard R. Green, a civil engineer, to succed general Casey, the desensed engineer in charge of the library construction, at \$5,000

annually. The joint resolution providing for the ap-pointment of a commission for the prelimi-nary survey of a ship canal from the lower shore of Lake Michigan to the Wabash river

shore of Lako Michigan to the Wabash river was adopted. The Senate spent the balance of the day on the legislative appropriation bill, but di I net complete it, owing to Mr. Sherman's motion to strike out the proposition for the change from fee to salaries for United States district attorneys and marshals. The Senate passed the joint resolution allowing ex-President Harrison to accept a decoration from Brazil and Spain. Senator Quay had passed in the Senate the bill which he introduced, appropriating \$75,000 for the creetion of a federal building at Washington, Pa. EIGHT-SIXTH DAY.

pany, which played at St. Ignace, Mich.,

EIGHTY-SIXTH DAY.

The Senate indulged in an actimonious po-litical debate to-day, which developed much personal and party feeling and bronght in two sharp personal exchanges between Mr. Hill and Mr. Elkins, and between Mr. Bries

Hill and Mr. Elkins, and between Mr. Brico and Mr. Elkins. There was sent to the House to-day, port from Secretary of War Lamont, taining the recommendations by Lieutenant-Colonel J. A. Smith, upon the new project for Conneaut harbor, on Lake Eric. The new project increases the estimate for the com-plete harbor \$50,000, making it \$610,000 in all.

STORE BLOWN UP.

Powder in a Grocery Explodes With Disas-

trous Results.

failures have swelled the aggregate of de faulted liabilities for three weeks of March to \$12,383,614, against \$11,271,121, last year,

\$12,383,614, against \$11,271,121. last year, which includes 259 failures in the United States, against 234 last year, and 39 in Canada against 42 last year. No important change has occurred in the general condition of business during the week.
In from and steel conditions are slightly more hopeful. The demand for women's dress goods is the best feature of the woolen markets. The sales of wool have failen to less than half an ordinary week's full consumption, amounting last week to only 2,026,750 pounds at the chief markets. A striking feature this week has been a sale of 350,000 pounds of American wool for shipment to England.
The iron and steel markets have disclosed a similar feature, for a little Alabama pig has

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FOUR PERSONS CREMATED.

Indian, Two Women and a Babe Perish

Indian, Two Women and a Babe Perish During a Carousal. Tour people met their death. The people met their death. The people met their death. Biguetic, took a quantity of whiskey and care-baseness. An Indian from Bad river named Biguetic, took a quantity of whiskey to the residence of Julia Bird, a half breed, and her danghter, Charlotte. They were having a great earousal when the neighbors discov-ered smoke and flames issuing from the building. Efforts were made to rescue the occupants, but without avail and all three were burned. An infant child of Charlotte Hird was also burned. The coronor's jury randered a verdict of accidental death.

OPPOSED TO FREE COINAGE.

Minnesota Republicans Indorse Major McKinley.

Just before the State Republican convention was called to order Tuesday, it was announced that Senator Davis had wired. Con-

nounced that Senator Davis had wired Con-gressman Tawney withdrawing from the presidential race. This action was due to the refusual of three district conventions to indorse his candidacy. Before the adjourn-ment of the convention a resolution that the well-considered and pronounced preferences of the Republicans of Minnesota for presi-dential standard-bearer in 1990 was William McKinley, and pledging the delegates to do all in their power to honorably bring about the nonination of William McKinley for president of the United States, was adopted The four delegates at-large will be P. G. Evans, of Minneapolis, George Thompson of St Paul, C. F. Hendrix, of Sault Center and L. F. Hunt, of Mankato. The last three of these are newspaper men. rese are newspaper men. Following is the financial plank reported

to the convention by the resolutions

"Resolved, That we favor the use "Resolved, That we have the use of both gold and silver to the extent to which they can be kept in circulation at a parity in pur-chasing and debt-paying power; that we are carnestly opposed, under the present con-ditions to the free and unlimited coinage of silver."

SAN FRANCISCO LOSES IT.

The W. C. T. U. Convention Will Probably Be Held at St. Louis.

At a meeting of the general officers of the National Women's Christian Temperance Union at Chicago, it was decided not to hold Union at Chicago, it was decided not to hold the next national convention in San Francis-co, although that city had been previously chosen. Among the reasons for the change were the request of the National suffrage as-sociation, in view of its own active opera-tions on the Pacific coast this year; the belief that the holding of the next convention in or near the State of Kanasa would better con-serve the temperance interests, as a crisis is impending in that state; the refusal of the railroads to make such concessions as were hoped for. It is probable the next national convention will be held in St. Louis in Octo-ber or November, 1896. Failures.

Failures. Lowell, Mass.—The Merrimae mills closed down its cotton and print works. The mills employ 2,600 operatives. Easton, Pa.—The Giendon Iron company, one of the oldest in the Lehigh valley, as-signed.

union throughout the country. The secretary s report submitted shows a marked increase in the federation's finances and membership, two charters having been issued this year to one during the same time iast year. Grievances of the musicians at Milwankee, and painters at Pittsburg were discussed without action. It was decided to send President Gompers to Washington in November to the National Musicians' con-vention to espouse labor bills before con-gress.

RIOT IN A MICHIGAN TOWN.

Mob Forces the Police to Surrender a Prisoner in Jail.

The recent horsewhipping of Frank Slooter, correspondent of a sensational sheet at Grand Rapids, Mich., which occurred in at Grand Rapids, Mich., which occurred in the presence of city police, provoked a monster mass meeting on the public square. By the glare of a bonfire violent speeches were made denouncing the city government. City Marshal Vanry attempted to arrest a man but the crowd railied to the fellows sup-port. The marshal, with the assistance of other officers, put the man in jail. The mob followed, threatening to break down the jail. To save blood shed the man was released and ne was carried back on the shoulders of his ne was carried back on the shoulders of his friends.

Five well-known citizees were arrested charged with horsewhipping Slooter.

Vessels for the Lakes.

There was launched Monday at Nixon's ship yard, at Elizabethport, N.J., the first of a fleet of 18 steel vessels which are des-tined for service on the great lakes. The en-tire fleet is to be ready for service this season, and three more vessels will brobably be launched this week.

NEWS NUGGETS.

Violent shocks of earthquake were felt in portions of Maine Sunday.

Ike Pizer, a negro, was lynched near Shreveport, La., for assaulting two young ladies.

Attorney Patrick W. Snowhook, of Chi-cago, has made an assignment. Assets are \$350,000 and liabilities \$200,000.

\$350,000 and liabilities \$200,000. Heavy rains have stopped work in the lead and zinc mines of southwest Missouri and done much damage to property. Mrs. H. Adicock, of Fort Valley, Miss. is suing to recover \$18,000 which was found in a well, and which she claims her humand buried during the war, 35 years ago. The bodies or three boys, aged 15, 16 and 11 years, Boone Smith, Tom Shiller and Charles McMillan, were found on the rail-road track two miles south of Brownsboro, Tex. They had been kliled by a train. James Bomers and Harry Ford, salators.

James Somers and Harry Ford, painters, were struck and killed by fightning while at work on a church spire at Grand, near Guthrie, O. T., Saturday afternoon. The church took fire, but a heavy rain subdued the flores.

TURKEY OBJECTS.

An Appeal Asking the Intervention of Russis and France.

As a result of the extraordinary cabinet, council, which insted throughout Saturday, council, which insted throughout Saturday, the Turkish government has issued an ap-peal, addressed to France and Russia, asking them to intervene, with the object of regu-lating the affairs of Egypt. Germany, it is added, was also requested by the porte to exercise her good offices in this sense. In-structions were also dispatched to the Tur-kish ambassador at London to make repre-sentations to the Marquis of Sailsbury; but their tenor is not known. In well informed circles it is declared that the action of the porte is due to the councils of France and Russia, the governments of which countries, it is claimed, have submit-ted that the present is an opportune moment

ted that the present is an opportune moment for Turkey to raise the question of her suze-rainty over Egypt being practically usurped by Great Britain. The governments indi-cated, it is alleged, promised Turkey their support in the matter.

EX-PRIEST CAUSED & BIOT.

Bullets Followed Bad Eggs and Four Men

Were Shot.

Following a lecture given at the Caristian church at Dunmore, Pa., by an alleged excontrol at Dumnore, Pa., by an alleged ex-priest named Ruthven, a fight broke out, during which about 50 shots were freed, and four men injured. They are Fred Mink, of Pittston, probably fatally shot in the back; Frank Heiler shot in the leg; William Segraves, shot in the ankle and aman named Murphy.

the trouble. As he was leaving the church fully 500 people gathered and greeted him with a volley of eggs. It is claimed he immediately drew a revolver and fired in the air. Revolvers were then fired off in every direction.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK A TRAIN.

Obstructions Placed on the Big Four Track

Obstructions Placed on the Big Four Track by Train Bobbers. The Big Four express train, which passes Delaware, Ohio, shortly after midnight, nar-rowly escaped being wreeked on the night of the 25th. A few miles out of town train rob-bers had placed obstructions on the track near a curve, and a long rail was placed in front of the wrecking material. The engi-near had not got his engine under a full head of steam, and was enabled to stop his train within only a few feet of the obstruction. The engine was slightly damaged and the people pretty badly shaken up on account of the sudden stop. Detectives are investigat-ing.

TO ABOLISH DEATH PENALTY.

The House spent the most of Monday considering the Curtis bill to abolish the death penalty in all cases where it is prescribed in the federal statutes (60 in number) save in cases of murder or criminal assault on wo-men under sections 5,339 and 5,345 of the remen under sections 5.339 and 5.345 of the re-vised statutes, where, however, the jury might qualify the verdiet "without capital punishment." The bill makes no chances in the penalties that can be inflicted by mili-tary and court martial. Among the crimes not punishable by death, abolished by the proposed bill, are murder and robbery on the high seas, accessory before the fact to murder, piracy, etc., on the high seas, de-struction of vessels at sea, piracy, arison of vessels of war, etc. The bill failed to pass for want of a quorum. injured.

A COSTLY NAP.

Fell Asleep in a Train and Was Robbed of \$20,000.

H. B. Kendal, who said he was in the employ of Drexel, Morgan & Co., the New York hoy of Dieles, along and Cos, the New York banker, reported at the Camden station that he had been robbed of a satchel containing \$20,000 in securities belonging to that firm while on his way to Baltimore from Washing-ton in one of the Baltimore & Ohio trains. On the way to Baltimore Mr. Kendall occu-pied a seat alone and put his satchel on a rack above his head

rack above his head. He fell asleep and was awakened by the conductor shouting Baltimere. He looked at the rack but his satchel was gone.

New York for Morton.

Governor Morton gets the endorsement of the state for president. The platform on which he will stand is thoroughly Republi-can and declares in no unhesitating manner

can and declares in no unbesitating manner for sound money. An effort was made by the McKinley sup-porters to ring in a boom and substitute dele-gates favorable to their idol, but their reso-lution was squelched by a vote of 631 against to 100 for. The delegates-at-large will be Thomas C. Flatt, of Tioga; Warner Miller, of Horkimer; Chauncey M. Depew, of New York, and Ed-ward Lauterbach. The alternates will be Hamilton Fish, of Garrison; Frank S. Witherbee, of Port Hen-ry; C. H. Babcock, of Bochester, and Daniei McMillan, of Buffalo. The electors at large will be Gen. Benjamin

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BRIEF MENTION.

At Cleveland Bushrod Keleh was sentenc-ed to hang July 22 for murdering his divorc-ed wife.

Ballington and Mrs. Booth have an that under no circumstances will they ever again take command of the Salvation army in the United States.

Dr. A. W. Jayne, of Towanda, Pa., was to have buried Monday but awake from his cataleptic condition in good time and much refreshed by his death-like sivep.

The frame building con inting the s store of Gates & Ritter, at Dowagiae, Mich was blown to atoms Sunday afternoon. Rewas blown to atoms sunday atternoon. He-shore's floral emporium on one side and Bang's saloon on the other side were slightly damaged. The plate glass in the building was hurled across the street. Many windows opposite were broken. The cause was the ignition in some unknown way of some powder on the ground floor. Nobody was injugad

A Marriage at Sea.

Andrew Jackson Illoom, an artist, and Miss Selena Thiel, a schoolteacher, both of Guste-maia, were married at sea on the steamer City of Sydney on the last trip from this port. The couple have resided in Guatemaia for several years, and attempted to be mar-ried in opposition to the laws of that coun-try, which require 60 days' notice. They went to the church of which Edward M. Hay-maker is nastor and were about to be marwent to the church of which Edward M. Hay-maker is pastor and were about to be mar-ried, when the police interfered. The pastor wrote a note to Captain Johnson of the Bydney requesting him to perform the cere-mony, and the couple embarked at Guate-maia for Champeriso. They were united by Captain Johnson six hours later. Chief En-gineer Rossiter gave the brille away, and R. C. McGregor of the Stanford university acted as best man, while Miss Mary Shevin of this city acted as bridesmald,—San Francisco Bulletin.

Legislator and Moonshiner.

Legislator and Moonshiner. Thomas N. Williams, deputy United States marshal, returned from a raid among moon-shiners in Patricx courfly, Va. He found and seized over 1,500 gullons of whiskey and brandy upon which the tax had not been paid to Unele Sam. Among those the offi-cer found with the prohibited fluid on hand was a member of the legislature from Pat-rick county. The statesman had four bar-rels stored away in the basement of his mountain residence. The officers seized it and required a bond of the legislator for his appearance before the proper court to anappearance before the proper court to an-swer a charge of illicit distilling.

Dynamited, Bob bed and Fired.

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Bloodshed in South Africa.

Advices from South Africa show that the prising in Matabelo land is serious. Several whites in outiying places are reported for have been killed by Matabeles. It is assured that the outbreak is partly due to the strin-gent measures recently adopted to stamp out the rinderpost in Bhodesia. The fondness of the Kaffre for their cattle is well known, and the killing of them has excited much dis-content.

The ex-priest is charged with precipitating