BIG DELUGE IN A NEW YORK STREET

WATER MAIN BURSTS.

Many Buildings Flooded in a Fashionable Part of the Metropolis.

A large Croton water main burst ear-Sunday morning at the corner of Madison avenue and Forty-third street, the heart of the fashionable district, and wrought such havoc with property, both near and remote, that not even a partial calculation can be made of the financial damage at present. For blocks around scarcely a building escaped in-flury by reason of the volume of water which poured into the streets, cellars and basements. The loss will reach far into the thousands. The sowers were choked by the great rush of water, and then the dood rose to the streets. The big water main was probably cracked by a blast which was fired in a sever excevation late Saturday afternoon. Then in the night time, when the strain on the pipe was the scatter, it save way and the flood followed. The brak-ing of a four-feet pipe was announced Madison avenue and Forty-third street,

in the pipe was the gratest, it have by a rumbling noise, which awakened the people in the immediate vicinity acoking out of their windows they saw are the series of the rum of the series to the air, a column so high that it reached almost to the top of the olectric light pole on the corner. These who had no view of the form-for fix hours this mighty column shot the source, and in that time 10,000,000 allons of water had run down the avenue and side streets on either hand. All the streets east of Madison are noise of the streets east of Madison are the basement, the second base which and the the source and in that time 10,000,000 allons of water had run down the All the streets east of Madison are noise of the railroad branch of the Young men's Christian association and to the basement of the latter place the basement of the shift place the down the basement of the shift place the base probably been ruined by the sail hours in the vicinity of the base stopped. Almost without excep-tion the houses in the vicinity of the base down and big swimming tunk have probably been ruined by the sail tooped. Almost without excep-tion the houses in the vicinity of the base downed the vicinity of the base downed that they have been damage drom \$500 to \$2,000.

SEVEN DEAD.

Frightful Disaster in a South Dakota Industrial Building.

trial Building. Trial Building. One of the worst disasters in the his-tory of South Dakota occurred at mid-night Wednesday when seven lives were lost by the burning of the girls dormitory of the State Industrial school. The dead: Tillie Hoper, in-structor; Mabel Tobert, aged 3, of Sious City; Bessie Merby, aged 14, of Hot Springs; Ida Warer, aged 16, of Watertown; Christina Bergman, aged 12, of Grafton, N. D.; Lillian West, aged 11, of Sioux Falls. The burned structure was of wood, three stories in height, and was but free is unknown. The watchman saw the flames bursting from the upper windows while he was in a building some distance away. There was no and the buildings, being over a mile from town, no ald could be rendered. In a short time the entire annex was inventy minutes from the time the fire was seen the building was destroyed. Nothing whatever was suved. There was destroyed in their night worthy distance and in less than twenty minutes from the time the fire worthy minutes from the time the fire worthy of the state of the persons in the school, who escaped in their night.

were twenty-live other persons in the school, who escaped in their night clothes with greatest difficulty. Search for the bodies was commenced as soon as possible and all have been recovered and were immediately bur-ied. Each was burned beyond recogni-tion. The loss on the building is \$25,-60.

BITTER STRIKE STILL ON.

London's Costly Labor Trouble to Involve More Men.

The emblittered, determined struggle between the London employers and the engineers, of whom 70.000 are now idle, continues, with almost a certainty of bringing about a general strike throughout the ship-building establish-ments of the country involving anoththe Employers' Federation has declin-

UNPOPULAR WEYLER IS REGALLED In Chicago the Beer trust has cut prices to \$4 a barrel.

The engagement of Helen Gould to Alonzo Potter of New York is reported. A Hollander has been arrested at Rotterdam who has confessed to the killing of his fifteenth wife.

TERSE TELEGRAMS.

George P. Lawrence of North Adams, Mass., has been nominated for con-gressman by the Republicans to suc-A. B. Wright, deceased.

A. B. Wright, deceased. Two men are dead and over a dozen infured as a result of the blowing down of a big hotel at Lindsay Park at Char-levolx, Mich., Tuesday. Fire in Chicago the other day de-stroyed the Dexter park pavillion, and twenty-eight residences were slightly damaged. Loss \$50,000. Ber Jac Fieber a Dunkard preacher

damaged. Loss \$80,000. Rev. Jac. Fisher, a Dunkard preacher from Mexico, Ind., hanged himself during a fit of melancholy in a livery stable at Indianapolis a few days ago. W. H. Ponter, teller of the Dominion bank branch, Napanee, Ont., robbed of \$30,000 a few weeks ago, has been ar-rested on a charge of committing the volders.

robbery. Dr. Thomas W. Evans, of Parls, re-uted the wealthiest dentist in the vorld, will give \$25,000,000 to education-il, benevolent and religious institutputed n.).,

Chicago is threatened with a curtailment of her milk supply. In conse-quence of the drought, which has al-most entrely destroyed the pastures of the surrounding country.

of the surrounding country. The steamer E. B. Hale foundered in Lake Huron last Saturday, the crew being saved. The Hale was owned by M. A. Bradley, of Cleveland, and was valued at \$20,000; uninsured. Herr Bueb, a Socialist member of the German Reichstag, representing Mul-hausen, has been sentenced to ten months' imprisonment for publicly criticising a state institution. OB. in excentionally large quantities.

Oil, in exceptionally large quantities, has been struck in a well which was put down for gas at Humboldt, Kan, The lowest estimate is 100 barrels per day. It is at a depth of 914 feet.

The announcement has reached the public, through semi-official sources, that the Pennsylvania system contem-plates spending \$2,009,000 on its Alan-tic City system within the next year.

Eugene V. Debs has refused to assist in defraying the expenses of the trial of Waiter G. Worden, at San Francis-co, accused of wreeking a Southern Pacific train, causing loss of life, dur-ing the strike of 1894.

A Madrid dispatch says that the queen regent has ordered that as-sistance be given to the families of the Anarchists executed at Barcelona some time ago, and that their children be educated at her expense.

Mrs. Charlotte Leclair, of Westerly, R. L. died the other morning at the age of 108 years and 6 months. She was born in a Ls Prairie, a small town in Quebec. Five generations of her descendants are living. William I Scanlow United States

William J. Scanlon, United States consular agent at Port Antonio, Jamaica, died from yellow fever the other day. He was appointed from the District of Columbia July 30 and left for Jamaica about a month ago.

The five chair manufacturing plants of the Artemus Merriam Company, at Westminster, Mass., was destroyed by fire recently, causing a loss of \$\$80,000. A. R. Merriman, who is ill at home, saw factory burned to the ground from window.

Frank Peary and Henry Kaiser had an oyster eating contest the other day at the American House, Jersey City, for a prize of \$20. Peary ate 105 and Kiser 112 raw oysters. Both men are confined to their beds. Kaiser is dan-gerously ill.

Eagles to the amount of about 100,-000 left the bank of England a few days ago for New York in time to catch the steamer Majestic. No gold bas yet gone to America from Paris, but options have been secured on a large amount there.

Maj. Moses P. Handy, the special United States commissioner to the Paris exposition of 1900, has secured 25 per cent. additional space of American exhibits, making the space of the United States equal to that of the other big nations of the world.

big nations of the world. Senorita Cisneros, the young Cuban woman whose imprisonment has arous-ed so much sympathy in the United States, has escaped from her captors. Valiant friends, drugged candy and a file released her from the jail where she was held a political prisoner.

she was held a political prisoner. Several of the big operators at Mas-silion, O., find that their miners are weak and physically incapable of do-ing good work, because of long con-tinued distress. As the regular pay-day is still a week off each man em-ployed in the many Pocock mines was advanced \$10 on Wednesday night. While endeavoring to save a neigh-bor's children from death in a burning house at Chicago, the other day, K. Jones fell dead on the threshold of a room in which were two children, whose lives he had come to save. Jones was stricken with heart disease. The children were rescued by the father. . Five large buildings and two smaller

ANOTHER NAMED.

Twenty Thousand More Re-Inforcements to be Sent to Cuba.

The Spanish cabinet has decided up-on the immediate recall of Gen. Weyler from Cuba. A decree will be issued appointing Capt.-Gen. Blanco y Oren-as, marquis of Pena-Plata, governor-general of the Island. The queen re-gent signed the decree Saturday. According to El Heraldo, 20,000 rein-forcements will accompany Gen. Blan-co to Cuba. In the course of the cable message sent by Capt.-Gen. Weyler to Fremier Sagasta, placing his post in Cuba at the disposal of the govern-ment, he said: "If the functions with which the government had entrusted me had been merely those of general-general of Cu-

"If the functions with which the government had entrusted me had been merely those of general-general of Cu-ba, I should have hastened to resign. But the two-fold character of my mis-sion and my duty as commander-in-chief in the face of the enemy, prevent me tendering a resignation. "Nevertheless, although I can rely upon the absolute, unconditional sup-port of the autonomist and constitu-tional parties, as well as upon public opinion, this would be insufficient with-out the confidence of the government, now more than ever necessary to me, after the censure of which I have been made the object by the members and journals of the Liberal party, and by public opinion in the United States, which latter is largely influenced by the former. This confidence would be nec-essary to enable me to put an end to the war, which has already been vir-tually concluded from our lines at Ju-caro to Cape Antonio." caro to Cape Antonio.

caro to Cape Antonio." Senor Sagasta replied: "I thank you for your explanation and value your frankness. I wish to assure you that the government recog-nized your services and values them as they deserve, but it thinks a change of policy, in order to succeed, requires that the authorities should be at one with the ministry.

that the authorities should be at one with the ministry. "This has nothing to do with the confidence felt in you by the govern-ment, for the Liberals have always said that the responsibility for a given policy does not fail upon those who carry it out, but upon the government inspiring it. I Shall communicate your decision to the government short-ly."

RIOT IN COSTA RICA.

The Attempt of President Iglesia to Succeed Himself Arouses Opposition.

The Attempt of President I glasm to Succeed Himself Arouses Opposition. The agitation against Fresident Iglesias of Costa Rica, who is an-nounced as a candidate to succeed hnmself has aroused great opposition. Recently a bloody riot occurred at Santo Domingo in which five promi-nent men were killed and 30 wounded. The riot was between influential par-tisans of Fresident Iglesias and his op-poments. The strength of the opposi-tion has been chiefly in the cities, where the business men are deeply op-posed to him, and denounce him be-cause a changed Costa Rica's stand-ard to that of gold exclusively. They say the change is foolish and imprac-ticable, and will work great harm to the country. They also speak bitterly of his Pacific raitroad scheme, which will cost \$3,800,000. President Iglesias is building a rail-road across Costa Rica's from shore to shore. On the other hand President Iglesias is popular with the country element. He has built bridges and railroads, and has projected other in-ternal improvements that have endear-ed him to the agricultural population. He believes in spending more money in schoolhouses than on soldiers, and

He believes in spending more money in schoolhouses than on soldiers, and has not only carried out that policy, but has given Costa Rica a just and able administration. His opponents call themselves the Liberals.

THOUSANDS DROWNED.

Chinese Emperor's Sympathy Aroused by the Condition of His Subjects.

Condition of His Subjects. The steamer Victoria brings news of the most disastrous floods that have visited China for many years. Sixty villages near Tung Chou, containing over 80,000 inhabitants, have been de-stroyed by floods and the people drowned or forced to flee. There is no means of finding out how many thou-sands have been drowned, but the number is estimated by Chinese at 15,-000 to 20,000. The flooded district is within 12 miles of Pekin, the capital of China. As a rule Chinese officials make China. As a rule Chinese officials make little stir when a calamity like this happens, but the proximity of the dis-aster has resulted in its being brought to the attention of the Emperor, who has ordered that all possible relief be given. Survivors from the villages nearest Pekin have been allowed such shefter as they can find on the city walls, but thousands are without pro-tection against the rain, which contin-ues to fall. hina. As a rule Chinese officials mak tection against the rain, when some ues to fall. The distress of these people is most pitiable. Public spirited and wealthy men of Pekin and Tung Chou are ac-tively assisting the authorities in pro-viding them with food. The unusual rains began July 23 and continued un-til August 15. til August 15. til August 15. The crops in the flooded district were destroyed. The prefects, local magis-trates and people of the flooded dis-trict prayed for the cessation of the rain seven days before they were fl-naily driven out of their homes.

THE DREAD DISEASE.

Tellow Fever Still Has a Good Grip Upon the South.

The board of health officially announces the state of affairs in New

The board of nearth omicially an-nounces the state of affairs in New Orleans as regards yellow fever to be as follows: During the twenty-four hours ending 9 p.m., Wednesday, Oc-tober 6, there were: Cases of yellow fever to-day, 46; deaths to-day, 5; to-tal cases of fever to date, 45; total deaths from yellow fever to date, 43; total cases annoticely recovered, 134; total cases under treatment, 248. After two days of improvement and of promise the fever situation on the face of the record took zomewhat of a turn at New Orleans Wednesday. For 40 hours there had been no death, and the number of cases had shown mater-ial failing off. Wednesday, however, the reports of new cases began to come in to the Board of Health office with considerable rapidity and by 1 oclock there had been 15 cases reported and by night all previous records of this season had been broken, so far as new cases were concerned. At that hour 31 had been reported. In a few hours three deaths had also been reported to the board. _The Norwestian fruit steamer John

three deaths had also been reported to the board. The Norwegian truit steamer John Wilson, ten days from Bocas del Toro, Colombia, arrived at Delaware break-water quarantine at Lewes, Del., Sun-day, with her flag at haif-mast. When the quarantine physician boarded her he found the body of the chief engineer Charles Peterson, aged 37 years, of Ber-gen, Norway, who died on the passage Friday last of yellow fever.

WILL SOON CLOSE.

SPAIN IN DISTRESS.

Money.

Navigation on the Yukon Impeded by Ice High Prices of Food. Objects to the Fresence of Japan and Russia at the Seal Conference.

to enlist 5,000 reserves at an extra rate of pay. The British government is also con-sidering the adoption of an infernal built invented in Birmingham. This built is made of lead and instead of being conical the top is level and has a cup-like cavity. On entering flesh, this built acts like a punch, cutting a clean, round hole, which does not cleas. The built begins to expand immed-lately after entering and after it has traveled six inches it produces a jagged hole three or four inches in diameter.

The bullet is said to be the most terrible wound producer known and it is a question whether its use would not be a breach of the international conven-

CANADA'S INFLUENCE.

STRENGTHENING BRITAIN'S ARMY

MORE MEN NEEDED.

A Ripping Flesh-Tearing Bullet to

The officials of the British foreign of-fice have communicated to United States Ambassador Hay the final deci-sion that the government of Great Britain refuses to take part in any sealing conference with representa-tives of Russia and Japan. The Brit-ish government, however, asserts its willingness' to confer with the United States alone. The withdrawal of Great Britain from the Washington conference. The officials of the British foreign of

Navigation on the Yukon Impeded by ice. High Prices of Food. The general impression is that the boats leaving St. Michaels for the Klondyke from this time on will not be able to get over 1,000 miles up the river before they will be frozen in. All inde-pendent steamers will be compelled to carry coal, as the natives have cut up all the driftwood along the river banks for over 100 miles and have sold it to the steamers owned by two big com-panies. The new finds on Minock and Hunter creeks continue to cause ex-citement and there are now about 600 miners on the ground. In St. Michaels sugar is 25 cents per pound, shot shells are 25 cents each, bacen 35 cents a pound, blanket trousers \$8, chocolate drops three for 25 cents, 5-cent calloo 35 cents a pard, cotton bandanas \$1 each, flour \$8 a hundred weight, can-dles 35 cents a pound, small box of sar-dines 50 cents. The withdrawal of Great Britain from the Washington conference is due to Canada's insistence. Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador to the United States, used his influence in a spirit of friendliness to the United States in efforts to secure the adherence of Great Britain to the original program. The diplomats con-sider that Great Britain's course was not courteous to Russia and Japan. Experts who have been Investigating the sales of sealskins in London in order to obtain evidence for the use of the United States at the conference, have proof that 50 per cent of the skins sold by the Canadian companies are those of female seals and that the most of the animals were shot.

dines 50 cents. Six men have probably lost their lives as the result of a foothardy at-tempt to sail 1.850 miles of a river, which, in some places runs down at the rate of eight miles an hour. The men, two of whom are named Abercromble and Tate were seen last drifting out of the mouth of the Yukon to sea in dis-tress. Three men in a sailboat started up the river last week and have not been seen by anybody since. Their names are Matthews, Roberts and Schultz.

SHOT FROM AMBUSH.

Cubans by Strategy Slaughter Spanish Soldiers.

Cabans by Strategy Slaughter Spanish Soldiers. A story comes from Santa Clara of an engagement at Rocas Coloradas in which the Spanish forces under Maj. Pedro Anton and Lleut, Ramon Fer-nandez fell into a trap. The Spaniards were going to attack a Cuban hospi-tal, but the Cubans removed their sick and wounded. Then a strong guard was placed at the hospital and embus-cades were prepared. When the Spanish vanguard, composed of the guerrillas of Calimete, led by Fernan-dez, arrived at the hospital, the Cu-bans fired a single shot and then ran to the forests in order to decay the Spaniards to the place of ambush. The trick succeeded, and a few minutes inter a terrible charge on both sides strprised the Spaniards. The Cubans made wholesale slaughter. Senor An-ton narrowly escaped and with him some soldiers, who were followed by the insurgents to the fort, in which they took refuge. Next morning Maj. Anton assassinated two pacificos on the outside of Santa Clara and report-ed a victory over the insurgents. Selling Public Lands and Buildings to Secure Manay. An American diplomat who has just returned from Madrid says the condi-tion of Spain is even worse than the correspondents depict. Wheever is sent to Cuba, he adds, will attempt to buy off the insurgent leaders. The diplo-mat further says that the Spanish gov-ernment is so hard pressed for money that it is attempting to sell all the public lands and buildings that can possibly be spared. Not only have the soldiers been unpaid since last March, but the pension lists are in arrears. All social intercourse between the American minister at Madrid and the Spanish officials and the diplomatic corps had been suspended for more than a year. This was partly due to the fact that Hannis Taylor, the form-er U. S. minister to Spain, was a per-sona non grata to most of the mem-bers of the diplomatic corps. For is months Mr. Taylor had not been on speaking terms with the French and Austrian ambassadors and with the French ambassador was because Mr. Taylor protested against being omitted from a list of guests at a reception giv-en by the ambassador. FROM THE KLONDYKE, Selling Public Lands and Buildings to Secure ed a victory over the insurgents.

FROM ACROSS THE SEA.

Very cold weather continues at Vlen-a. Eleven laborers have been frozen

ra. Eleven laborers have been frozen to death at Glane. Dispatches from Constantinople say that the Turkish troops have been com-pelled to repel a number of Greek bands which had crossed the frontier at Diskata at Diskata.

The German government has re-sed to reconize Ferinand Neumann.

FEW FAILURES.

Business Increasing and the Productive Force

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LOST IN SPECULATION.

Well-Known Cleveland Man Charged With Embezzlement.

Beneralement. John Shipherd, who has for sever-al years been prominent as an invest-ment broker and street railway pro-moter, in Cleveland, was arrested Monday morning on the charge of em-bezzlement. He was taken before a justice of the peace on a State warrant and was released on \$10,000 bail. The warrant was issued at the instance of Frank DeHaas Robison, owner of the Cleveland baseball club. The charge grew out of the business dealings of Shipherd and Robison, who have been closely associated for several years in street railway enterprises in this city and elsewhere. The warrant distinct-ly charges that Shipherd embezzled \$183,236 15 of the personal property of Robison in addition to 112 street rail-way bonds of the value of \$95,200. At the same time a petition was filed in common pleas court asking for a receiver for the brokerage firm of

way bonds of the value of \$55,200. At the same time a petition was filed in common pleas court asking for a receiver for the brokerage firm of Charles H. Potter & Co., in which Ship-herd was heavily interested, and of which he was the manager. In the petition it was charged that Shipherd and the firm of Potter & Co. had con-verted to their own use the proceeds of security left in their hands by Rob-ison. These securities include three sets of Fort Wayne (Ind.) street rail-way bonds. The sum for which Rob-ison asks judgment is \$991.761.15. In-cluded in these bonds were 112 \$1,000 bonds of the value of \$35,200, and upon which one of the charges of embezzle-ment against Shipherd is based. Rob-ison also represents in his petition that the firm of Charles H. Potter & Co. is insolvent, and that it owes to about 20 banks in the vicinity of this city and to individuals a sum aggregating about

Adopted by the Government. Lord Wolseley, commander-in-chief of the British forces, is making desper-ate efforts to surmount the difficulies which Great Britain is experiencing in finding troops for her numerous small wars. That the government is at its wits' end to secure the additional 10,000 men which parliament will be asked to add to the permanent strength of the army is shown by the plan elaborated by the office, by which the volunteers of Great Britain will be liable for service abroad in case of war, the government will introduce an army reserve bill dur-ing the next session of parliament. Ac-cording to this measure it is proposed to enlist 5,000 reserves at an extra rate of pay.

the Employers' Federation has declin-ed the mediation of the Board of Trade and has refused to confer with the men. The strike has already entailed the loss of \$3,756,000 and is calculated to reach \$10,000,000 by Christmas. The rallway employees threaten to add to the chaos. They are to hold a great conference at Birmingham in a few days and will formulate demands which the companies say it is impossi-

which the companies say it is impossi-ble for them to grant, and in the event of the latter's refusal a general strike of 150,000 railroad workers, which will probably mean the idling of 1,500,000 others, will follow.

ALMOST IN FIVE DAYS.

New Ocean Steamer Breaks all Previous Records.

Records Records A cablegram received from London wednesday morning announces that the new North German Lloyd steamer Kaiser Wilhelm Der Grosse was sight-de passing Scilly Islands light at 10:35 hat forencon. This announcement makes it quite certain that the levia than steamer has broken all previous re-ords and brought the time of passage are and brought the time of passage the har at 6:02 and the lightship 20 menutes later. Allowing four hours for the run from Scilly to Plymouth mouth for days, 20 hours and 15 min-tes, the five hours difference in time bout five days, 20 hours and 15 min-tes, the five hours difference in time bout five days, 20 hours and 15 min-bout five days and the lightship 20 hours the first the time of the passage about five days 20 hours and 15 min-bout five days 20 hours and 15 min-bound five days 20 hours and 15 min-five da

An Experts Discovery.

An Experts Discovery. Comptroller Fitch's expert account-ants, who have been at work investi-gating the records and accounts in Brooklyn preparatory to consolidation, have found discrepancies in accounts amounting to \$5,000,000. Officials of Brooklyn deny that there is or has been any malfeasance, and allege that the discrepancies reported by Comptroller Fitch's experts are due in large part to the defective system of bookkeeping followed in the towns which were re-cently annexed to Brooklyn.

Wife Beater Punished.

White seator Funneed. Whitecaps went to the home of Of-ficer James Parrish, at Decatur, Ind., put a rope around his neck, pulled him from bed, dragged him downstairs and up the street about two squares to a large tree, where if was evidently their intention to string him up. At every step a cat-o'-nine-tails was applied to his body and his cries awoke the en-tire neighborhood. He is in a critical condition. The cause of the act was alieged wife beating. Mrs. Parrish may die from injuries inflicted by her humband.

children were rescued by the father. . Five large buildings and two smaller ones, with all their contents, were de-stroyed at Detroit, the other day by a fire which swept through a block situ-ated in the center of the business por-tion of Detroit, and bounded by the Campus Martius, Woodward, Gratiot and Monroe avenues. The loss is esti-mater at \$600,000 to \$700,000.

mater at \$600,000 to \$700,000. The plan of robbers, among whom were many prominent merchants of Dalton, S. C., who have just been in-dicted by the grand jury, was to go out on the railroads and break into cars. Before reaching Dalton the goods were thrown out and carried away by con-federates. The goods were afterwards sold by the gang to the Dalton mer-chants. The goods amounted to över \$100,000 in value. Supt. Vaughn of the Southern railway put detectives on the case, who played tramps, joining the gang and located the robbers. **Children Murdered**

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Children Murdered. Mrs. Mary Sammon and Mrs. Jennie Layton, two colored women, were ar-rested at Camden, N. J.. Wednesday on suspicion of being concerned in the deaths of six children, all of whom died under circumstances requiring a cor-oner's certificate. The two women lived together, and five children of Mrs. Layton, and an adopted child, who lived with the pair, and dropped off in a mysterious way. The last child to die had burns on his lips and hands, which looked to have been caused by carbolic acid. The women denied giv-ing the children poison, but all of the bodies will be disinterred and the deaths investigated.

Stole from the Government

Stole from the Government. The grand jury has found new indict-ments for embezzling \$55,000 from the government against T. J. Kleckhofer, lately disbursing officer of the state de-partment, in addition to similar charg-es amounting to \$100,000, spon which he has been held for the past two years. Kleckhofer was for years en-trusted with the secret diplomatic fund, of which no report is ever pub-lished, and his peculations extended over a number of years. He will be tried in the next week or two and it is intimated that other officials of the isst two administrations will be affect-ed by the testimony.

CAPITAL OLEANINGS.

The condition of the treasury shows: Cash available, \$143,862,108; gold re-serve, \$148,468,631.

The new composite United States gun-boat Newport, which is being fit-ted up at the Charleston navy yard, went into commission the other day.

Consul Grimke, at San Domingo, in-forms the state department that on August 9 a new tariff law was enacted, which imposes a tax of 3 per cent on all exports and imports.

At the October term of the United States supreme court the Panhandhe's tax case against West Virginia will be heard. Also the Westinghouse air brake case, involving the validity of patents. patents.

Assistant Secretary Howell has is-sued a call for a meeting at New York next week of the government tea ex-perts at Boston, Philadelphia, New York and Chicago, with a view to the settlement of certain questions which have arisen as to Indian, Ceylon and Canton teas.

Canton teas. President McKinley has decided the details of his trip to Ohio. He will ar-range his affairs so as to be in Canton on election day, and the next day will go to Pittsburg, and be present at the Founder's day exercises at the Car-negle public library. Uncle Sam has sent out warning that

negle public library. Uncle Sam has sent out warning that a gang of mail box thieves is at work in a number of lilinois and Ohio cities. Their stronghold seems to be in Cin-cinnati. The scheme employed is to break a lock on some box in an out-lying district and make a mould of the keyhole. From this they make a key which will fit any mall box. After night one of the gang, in the garb of a letter carrier.

But Little Gold Being Taken Out of the Gold

FROM THE KLONDYKE.

Field. The steamer Rosalle arrived recently from Skaguay and Dyea. The Rosalle brought down 139 passengers, most of them coming from Skaguay. Among the passengers were six from Dawson City, who came out over the Dalton trail. They had about \$12,000 in nug-gets. They left Dawson August 29 and arrived at Paine's Mission September 23. They report that rich strikes have been made on Hunker Creek, which is as rich as Bonanza or El Dorado. The total output this year will exceed any estimate ever made. The Rosalle re-ports everything quiet at Skaguay. Many miners have completed cabins in which to winter and others are cache-ing their supplies preparatory to living next spring, when they will again try the pass. 100 BUILDINGS BURNED.

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Fire at Austin. Pa. Deprives Many People of Shelter.

of Shelter. Fire broke out Monday afternoon in Weed's livery barn at Austin, Pa., and in five hours every building in the town but five was leveled to the ground. Turner street was the principal resi-dence street of the town. The loss is a ad blow. Probably 500 people are homeless. The fire was started by a load of hay being run into a gas jet. The load was backed into the barn, and the team left standing, while the driver was preparing to unload. The team started, and thus the second great fire about. In all about 100 buildings were burned, mostly residences. Among the larger losses is the Methodist Church, the Presbyterian Church and the opera-house. The loss is placed by insurance experts at from \$150,000 to \$200,000. Suit Against Rockefeller Dismissed.

experis at from \$150,000 to \$200,000. Suit Against Bocksfeller Dismissed. The suit of Rev. Daniel Potter against John D. Rockefeller at New York for \$250,000 damages for libel was dismissed by Judge Gildersleeve in the supreme court when it came up Jues-day. The case has been up several innes. Each time an adjournment was sked for and granted. Tuesday when Dr. Potter's lawyers asked for a con-tinuance the defense protested that there had been too many adjourn-ments. Judge Gildersleeve intimated that he would entertain a motion to dismiss if made by the lawyers for the defense, and this was done. Dr. Potter's deciared that he would at once have the case reopened. This can be done on payment of costs.

Catholio G. A. B. Post

G. A. R. Post, organized and officer-ed by Roman catholic priests, was mustered in at Notre Dame the other day at Laporte, Ind., by States Com-mander Dodge and full staff, assisted by men of military distinction

of Illinois, who was nominated by President McKinley on May 28 to be United States consul at Cologne.

At a Spanish cabinet council at Madrid the government decided to grant autonomy to Cuba under the suzerainty of Spain, and to continue the campaign as long as necessary. Senor Castellanos, the retiring min-ister for the Spanish colonies, has call-ed upon the Bank of Spain to furnish 50,000,000 pesetas for the Cuban cam-paign. The committee of the bank de-clined to make the advance, whereupon the governor of the bank invited the committee to resign. Dr. Charles T. Roy, professor of pathology at the University of Cam-bridge since 1834, is dead. He was born in 1854, was a surgeon in the Turkish army during the Servian war, was pro-fessor-superintendent of the Brown in-stitution and was a contributor to sev-com

fessor-superintendent of the Brown in-stitution and was a contributor to sev-eral medical journals. The budget for the fiscal year 1898-99, was submitted to the folksthing at Copenhagen Tuesday. The appropria-tions include 54,000 kroner towards the estimated 2,000,000 kroner for the con-struction of a cable to Iceland via the Shetland and Faroe islands, and 300,-000 kroner for the promotion of Den-mark's display at the Paris exposition in 1900. in 1900.

Prairie Fires.

Prairie Fires. Chicago south side suburbs are surrounded by fire. Hundreds of acres of prairie have been burned over, and thousands of feet of sidewalk and fencing have been consumed. Captains of incoming steamers report smoke as thick as a fog hanging over the lake. Extra precaution is necessary to prevent collisions. The most disastrous prairie fire known in the history of Marshall county, Ind., is now raging. Hundreds of acres of land in the northern part of the country, comprising what is locally known as the "Big Marsh" is one smoldering waste. Farmers are fighting the flames day and night, to save their homes, but the lack of water makes the battle almost hopeless.

Seth Low and His Ticket.

Seth Low and His Ticket. Seth Low was given a complete tick-et of political associates Monday by the Committee on Organization of the Citi-zens' Union of Greater New York, as follows: For Mayor, Seth Low, Man-hattan, Republican; For President of the Council, John H. Schumann, of Brooklyn, Republican; For Comptrol-ier, ex-Secretary of the Treasury, Charles S. Fairchild, Manhattan, Dem-ocrat: For District Attorney, Austin G. Fox, Democrat; For Sheriff, Edward F. McSweeney, Democrat: For Clerk, Benjamin E. Hall, Republican; For Register, Richard H. Adams, Rep

banks in the vicinity of this city and to individuals a sum aggregating about \$2,000,000, which it cannot pay. It is al-leged that the securities left with Ship-herd by Mr. Robison were hypothecat-ed by him at banks, for the purpose of raising money with which to carry on the various enterprises in which he was interested. interested.

Will Locats in America. Will Locats in America. Dr. Thomas W. Evans, the well known dentist to the late Emperor Napoleon, czar of Russia and other dignitaries of Europe, has returned from the northwest, where he went on a special mission. Dr. Evans szid: "Archbishop Ireland is recognized throughout Europe as one of the most advanced representatives of the roman catholic church in America. We have been in consultation regarding a French colonization movement in the northwest of some of the oldest and best families in France. These noble families were so impoverished by poli-tical changes that life under the old conditions has been rendered im-possible. possible.

To Be Used In War.

To Be Used In War. Within a few days a contract will be awarded to the Delaware river ship-builders for the construction of two, and possibly four, of the fleetest coast-ing steamships flying the American flag. The ships will be built on the or-der of the blidders for the United States mail contract between New York, Hav-ana and Tuxpaf, Mexico, and an ex-penditure of \$1,250,000 will be involved. Each ship will be at least 4,000 tons reg-ister and about 45 feet beam, 21 1-2 feet deep and from 370 to 400 feet long. These new crafts are to be built under special inspection, so as to comply with the re-sulations of the United States Govern-ment, as laid down, for auxiliary cruis-ers. ers.

Crushed by a Trolley Car.

Grashed by a Trolley Car. Thomas McGraw, an aged Detroit capitalist and owner of the McGraw building, was struck by an electric car near his residence the other day, sus-taining injuries from which he cannot recover. Mr. McGraw had just alight-ed from a car and was crossing the track toward his home when another car struck him, knocking him down and crushing his skull. He is 73 years old.

Killed by an Insane Student. J. B. West, who has been attending the law class of the State university, became violently insane Saturday, thinking he was a great Populisi leader and was going to be Texas' next gov-ernor. He was confined in the lunatio asylum in a cell with another man named Thomas C. Denge. At an early hour this morning he choked Denge to death, notwithstanding the fact that four attendants were trying to tear him loose.