AN AWFUL CALAMITY IN PITTSBURG.

EIGHTEEN LIVES LOST.

By an Explosion of Whisky Terrible Havoc Wrought-Loss \$1.700,000.

A fire in the third floor of the Union

A new in the third hoor of the thinks Biorage Company's building at Fitts-burg caused a death dealing explosion last Wednesday night. In the building were stored hundreds of barrels of whisky, and without any warning these exploded, bringing down the walls of the huge building, crush-ing out the lives of at least a dozen persons.

persons. The greatest consternation was caus-ed by the explosion. From the sur-rounding houses people in their night-clothes, barefooted, were rushing out to places of shelter.

these of shelter. The heimeted firemen ran for their es. Soon, however, they recovered smaelyes, and began the heroic search it their dead comrades. The names of the dead are as fol-

lows: Lieut, of Police, John A. Berry, Thomas Claffey, John Dwyer, Josiaa McHanna, George Loveless, John Scott, William McGobnigle, William Scott, Jr., Stanley Seitz, aged 14; William Smith and Albert Wolf.

Smith and Albert Welf. Seventeen persons received serious in-juries when the walls fell. Twenty-three persons are missing, and as most of these were last seen in the vicinity of the fire it is believed their bodies will be found under the value.

Chief Humphreys of the fire depart

Chief Humphreys of the fire depart-ment asserts that when the ruins are cleared more bodies will be found. Many spectators stood near a portion of the building where it was not known a fife was raging, and when the ex-plosion occurred the chief belleves many of the spectators were killed. Saturday, as had been predicted by the fire chief, seven bodies were found under the walls. The incessant labor of hundreds of men for two days was rewarded by the discovery of the fol-lowing dead: James Moran, D. Wicker-by, George E. Neuman, William Poran, Jamés Castine, Dennis A. Greary and William A. Finch.

Jamés Castine, Dennis A. Greary and William A. Finch. The force of the explosion was ter-rific. Heavy telephone and telegraph polos bearing 60 and 70 wires as well as heavy cables, were snapped off short as far Away as three squares, and the atreets littered with live wires, adding to the dangers threatened from the fire. For squares away the window glass was broken, chimneys were toppied over and men were thrown from their feet. There was but little noise about the first explosion, except that occa-sioned by the fearful and terrifying roar of towering brick walls as they toppied down. As the walls fell they crushed in many of the buildings surrounding the storage house. An entry for the flames was made to the Hoeveler Storage building by the flames and caused a loss to that structure of \$600,000. The Chautauqua Lake Ice Company's building was damaged to the extent of stood. The Union Storage Warehouse and

The Union Storage Warehouse and contents sustained a loss of \$1,000,000. The total loss will amount to \$1,700,-

The loss to the insurance companies by the fire will amount to \$\$20,000. The buildings were located on Penn avenue between Twelfth and Thirteenth

Avenue between Tweith and Thirteenth streets. The entire Pittsburg fire department battled with the flames and finally the Allegheny department also assisted in subduing the fire. Ten thousand people visited the ruins of the great fire Sunday, and it was a day of funerals in Pittsburg.

MILITARY POST NEEDED.

War Department Receives a Report Concern

War Department Receives a Report Concern-ing Klondike Needs. In a report from Capt. Ray, of the war department, who was sent to Alas-the Captain recommends that the mouth of Mission or American creek to study the needs of the miners, the Captain recommends that the mouth of Mission or American creek to chosen as the site with a sub-post, if necessary, at Circle City. The best interests of the service, he says, re-quire permanent garrisons to be lo-cated well away from mining towns, on that the troops, if required to act, will not be biased by local influence. On the food question, he says: "The and the action of the North American trading and Transportation Company best endeavors to reconcile all differ-ences peaceably and get all people who are without mroyisions down to For

cnces peaceably and get all people who are without provisions down to Fort Yukon as soon as possible, where there is an abundance of food. I learn that while food is scare in Dawson City, the miners in the outlying camps are fair-ly well supplied. The stores (two) are selling very conservatively. The eat-ing houses are all closed save one. While I consider the situation critical I do not believe there will be any great While I consider the situation critical I do not believe there will be any great loss of life beyond that incident to a climate so rigorous as this. That there will be much suffering along the river and the train owing to the rashness and ignorance of people unaccustomed to this climate, no well-informed per-son here will deny but there is nothing that should cause undue anxiety or alarm among people in the states who have friends in this country. There are fabulous stories being circulated and will be published about the prices paid for food. I have verified instances where \$100 was paid for 50 pounds of four, but such cases are rare, were outside deals and not the prevailing price."

TERSELY TOLD TELEOBAHS.

Clara Barton distributed supplies to 20 needy Cubans last Sunday. Annie Shipski, aged 7 years, was kill-ed by a trolley car at Trenton, N. J.

There are no indications of an early settlement of the New England cloth mill strike. Cyclist Anderson is at Chicago ar-ranging for a race with a locomotive

next May.

40 per cent, of the milk cows in the icinity of Pittsburg are affected with uberculosis.

Spain has requested the Clyde ship-builders in London to hurry work on Spanish boats. Excessive smoking of cigarettes kill-ed Albert Howard, of McKeesport, Pa., but Webmesher

John D. Rockefeller presented land worth \$25,000 to the city of Cleveland

for park purposes. The Illinois senate concurred in the house joint resolution favoring the an-nexation of Hawaii.

Pittsburg's famous criminal lawye Major Edward A. Montooth, died la Wednesday morning.

Rich deposits of lead and zinc are re-ported to have been discovered on the New Kaw reservation in Oklahoma.

Levi P. Morton's office building on Nassau street, New York, was de-stroyed by fire last week. Loss \$500,-

The pen with which Lincoln signed the proclamation freeing the slaves has been presented to the New York Press Club.

Miss Mollie Vincent shot her lover Taylor Wyatt, and then committed suicide. They lived in Moccasin valley,

Va. The Hoyt building, corner of St. Clair and Bank streets, Cleveland, was de-stroyed by fire last Saturday. Loss. \$375.000

Three men were killed in the New-port mine at fronwood, Mich., a few days ago by an explosion of giant powder.

At San Carlos, Ariz., 1,500 Apaches as-sembled and gave the necessary con-sent for a railroad to go through their servation.

By decree Cuban papers are prohib-ited from publishing anything that will hurt the prospects of peace or auton-offer in Cuba omy in Cuba.

Secretary Gage and Gen. Harrison addressed the Marquette Club at Chi-cago last Saturday. The occasion was Lincoln's birthday.

In a head end collision on the Louis ville and Nashville railroad at Mont gomery, Ala., last Thursday five train men were killed.

Judge Thornell of the district court at Council Bluffs, Ia., decided the state law taxing collateral inheritance to be unconstitutional.

A successor to De Lome, the Span-ish minister to this country who was recently compelled to resign for slan-dering McKinley, has not yet been chosen

John Schofield shot and instantly killed Peter Pfeffer at the latter's home, in Louisville, Ky, because the latter objected to his paying attentions to his daughter.

A filibustering expedition left Tampa Fla., for Cuba last Saturday night. 5, Fla., for Cuba last Saturday night. 5,-000 rifles, 6,000 pounds of dynamite and 200,000 rounds of cartridges made up the carge

Now that President Barries of Guate mala is dead, his cabinet has resigned and the leaders are engaged in battle among themselves. Sixty-four men were killed in a riot last week.

As an elevator in the Hoffman House, New York, shot upwards, Mrs. Arthur Levy fainted. She fell and her head was bruiked by a projecting floor and she died instantly Sunday night.

For \$300,000 a Chicago man propose to raise the capitol building at Colum bus, so as to admit of another story un-der the structure. A bill will be intro-duced in the legislature to that effect Mrs. Annie C. George, widow of Hen-ry George, was awarded \$500 in her suit against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for \$5,000 damages for injur-ies sustained by a fall in that com-pany's station in Philadelphia.

About 3,000 trousers makers of New York, Brooklyn and Brownsville wen on strike a few days ago for an ad vance in wages. They claim that they had to work 16 hours a day, getting from \$5 to \$9 per week as wages.

During a funeral service in the syna-gague at Idzienciol, in Warsaw, recent-ly, the women's gallery collapsed. In a panic that ensued 21 women, 5 men and 3 children were crushed to death and many others were seriously injured.

MANY SAVED FROM A SINKING SHIP.

RESCUED BY THE ST. LOUIS.

The Atlantic Liner Bees Signals of Distress and Takes on Board 212 Passengers.

and Takes on Board 212 Passengers. The attention of steamer St. Louis crossing from Nouthampton to New York was attracted by signals of dis-tress while out at sea last week. As soon as the St. Louis got close en-ough to the ill-fated vessels signals were run up informing that the vessel was in sore distress and that the pas-sengers and crew desired to be taken of as soon as possible. With the aid of glasses is was discovered that the ship in distress had an immense hole in her eide to the aft and was slowly but steadily settling. A high rolling sea was running at the time. A storm had been raking a few hours previously. but the sea had calmed considerably. The Veerdam, a Holland ship from Amsterdam to New York, was laboring in difficult. The passengers were lowered from the ship's side by means of the Veendam vas intense, but Cap-uin Stenger and his crew mannged to keep the passengers in some kind of discipline. After all the children had been taken from the Veendam, the women were transferred to the life-boats. Next came the men and had to be picked up and dropped overboard in the steadily the lifeboat crew. Captain stenger behaved like a hero. Not only oid the direct the efforts of his affleer the direct like a hero. Not only oid he direct the efforts of his affleer the personally assisted in of the women. If passengers were transferred from the weeked us the personally assisted in lowering the children and more tim-stenger behaved like a hero. Not only oid he direct the efforts of his affleers the mens of the lifeboat crew. Captain stenger behaved like a hero. Not only oid he direct the efforts of his affleers the women. If passengers were transferred from the women to heave the Yeendam

12 passengers were transferred from the wrecked steamer to the St. Louis. "The last man to leave the Veendam was Captain Stenger. By this time the stern of the Veendam had settled per-ceptibly and her bow was almost en-tirely clear of the water. Before leav-ing the Veendam, Captain Stenger set fite to various parts of the cabin. The 118 steerage passengers of the Veendam were taken to the barge office when the St. Louis arrived in New York last Saturday. Of these 70 were detained because of lack of visible means of support. The captain, of-ficers and crew of the Veendam sailed for Rotterdam on the Spaarndam the same afternoon, Floating wreckage caused the sinking of the Veendam.

ALONE ON AN ISLAND

A Solitary Watcher Will Not Desert His Post Until Relieved.

Until Relisved. Alone on a coral reef in the Pacific ocean, hundreds of miles from any other land and out of the usual course of vessels. Theodore Gussmann is walt-ing to be rescued. A letter to a friend at San Francisco, Captain Charles Baettge, which he sent by a French man-of-war that chanced to cruise in his locality, describes the awful soli-tude in which he has been isolated for months.

tude in which he has been isolated for Gussmann might have left his Im-prisonment by the vessel which brought his letter, but to have done so would have been descring his post of duty. He is one of three men sent down to Clipperton island last July by the Oce-anle phosphate company's property and of the island. His companions descried him at the time the Mexican man-of-war Democrata hauled down the American flag and holsted the Mexican standard. Gussmann refused to leave then although an effort was made to shanghal him by the Mexican captain. In order to remain at his post of duty Gussmann practically marconed him-self, swimming ashore from the war-ship with evidence of his employers' titles to the island.

FOR AN EIGHT HOUR DAY.

A Million Men Soon to Make a Stand for

A Million Men Soon to Make a Stand for Shorter Work Days. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, has been in New York to get the unions to enter into a great movement for an eight-hour work day. According to the present plans of labor leaders a demand for the Hight-hour day will be made on May 1 next that will involve fully 1,000,000 men. The American Federation of Labor will make this demand in one trade at

The American Federation of Labor will make this demand in one trade at a time, and according to the leaders great atrikes are expected before the battle likely to follow is decided. Previous attempts to force the large molecular to grant the eight-hour work

REVIEW OF TRADE.

Unnanal Demand for Pig Iron. Spring Trade

Indications Good. R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade reports as follows for last week Business is pushing toward spring activity rather carly. Events which Business is pushing toward spring activity rather early. Events which have controlled are good buying of iron by the largest makers, the rise in cot-ton with strength in goods, the great railway consolidation and the Cuban insurrection. The latter, with its pos-sibilities, operates as a brake on specu-lation, and foolishness of local traders gave foreigners a much desired oppor-tunity to buy stocks, on balances about 45,000 shares. January earnings, \$35, 617,417 already reported, are 16.6 per cent, better than last year, and 9.5 better than in 1892, showing the best month in six years at least, and Feb-ruary returns thus far are promising. The output of pig iron February 1 was 228,251 tons weekly, the largest in the history of the business, but the re-ported buying of 130,000 tons of besse-mer iron by the Carnegie Company and 100,000 by another of the largest steel concerns, nevertheless means a deci-sion by the ablest manufacturers that the unprecedented output of pig will soon prove too small for the growing demand for finished products. The 11-linois Fieel Company has contracted for a million tons of bessemer ore, and producers of other ranges count upon on advance in price. Bessemer pig rose to \$1015, and gray forge to \$9 at Pittsburg, with finished products gen-erally stronger, and in larger demand than ever at this season. Rail con-tracts already cover, it is said, more than fast year's production, the mil-ways buying earlier than usual. Bar contracts for cars, wagons, agricul-tural implements and other manufac-tures are heavy at the West; structural contracts there are very numerous, and an the East large, with 50,000 tons esti-mated for New York bubblings along contracts there are very numerous and at the East large, with 50,000 tons esti-mated for New York buildings alone this year, while plate and sheet con-tracts for the season are unprecedent-ed.

January was one of the biggest months in Connellsville coke output, 623,975 tons, and furnace continued at the same price. The rose to 14 cents in spite of heavy shipments, and copper to 11 cents, or better for like, in spite of enormous American production. The rise in cottom-5-16 per cent for the week-results in part from better prospects for manufacture here and abroad, but only in part. Wool sales at the chief cities were only 5,305,200 pounds for the week, and 11,664,660 pounds for the week, against 22,721,500 last year. Prices are still strong, in pounds for the week, and 11,664,660 pounds for two weeks, against 22,721,660 last year. Prices are still strong, in spile of the general indifference of manufacturers, who seem to have se-cured ample supplies. For the better grades of woolen goods an advance averaging 17.5 per cent, from last year is readily maintained. The opening of works idle for years, in spite of the heavy production already assured, is a striking feature in this, as in the iron and other industries, and implies heav-ier demands for products than are now met by the unprecedented output. Wheat has been strong, with spot advancing 2 cents and May 2% cents, though western receipts have been, for two weeks, 5,366,718 busheles, against 3, 37,855 bushels last year, but Atlantic exports have been 5,274,438 bushels (four included), against 4,025,596 bush-els in two weeks hast year, with Pacific exports large. Corn exports are also surprisingly well sustained, 7,164,762 bushels, against 7,823,855 bushels last year, and the price has advanced a triffe.

Business shown by bank clearings is Business shown by bank clearings is again larger than ever before, 647 per cent. larger than last year for the week, and for the month to date, 44.3 per cent. larger than last year and 16 per cent. larger than in 1892. Failures for the week have been 295 in the United States against 267 last year, and 43 in Canada against 61 last year.

year.

ENSION SWEPT OVERBOARD.

Executive Officer of the Cashing Expire After Being Rescued From the Water. Dashing at full speed through the combing waves, the little torpedo-boat Cushing entered Hayana harbor Satur-Cushing entered Havana harbor Satur-day morning. On board she had the body of Ensign J. R. Breckinridge, of Lexington, Ky., who had been washed overboard and drowned a few hours before. A call was sent to Consul General Lee for physicians, but it was to late

General Lee for physical to late. Breckinridge was executive officer of the Cushing, which had a stormy pas-sage from Key West to Havana. She left Key West Friday morning with stores for the Maine. The boat pitched stores for the Maine Ensign Breckinterests.

OBJECTED TO EUROPEAN OFFICERS.

AN INSULT TO M'KINLEY.

The Spanish Minister Said to Have Called the

Representatives of the Cuban junta

at New York gave out copies of a let-

ter signed "Enrique Dupuy de Lome."

that letter; the Cuban junta has been imposed upon by somebody." On the other hand Horatio L. Ruhens, counsel for the Cuban junta, says: "We know absolutely that this letter is gen-uine. A man risked his life to obtain it. We do not hesitate to acknowledge that it was stolen from Canalejas. It is written on the paper of the legation. The handwriting is De Lome's and the signature is his." As a result of this letter, the state de-partment has communicated with the authorities at Spain, and Minister De Lome will likely be recalled.

DE LOME RESIGNS.

Having Slandered McKinley the Spanish Minister Steps Oat. At a meeting of the Spanish cabinet, held at Madrid Thursday under the presidency of the queen regent, the minister for foreign affairs, Senor Gui-ion, read a dispatch from Senor Dupuy de Lome, the Spanish minister at Washington, saying that the published leter to Senor Canaiejas was written by him and that his position, conse-quently, had become untenable, and he begged the government to accept his resignation. The cabinet decided to accept the resignation of Senor Depuy de Lome and the ministers subsequent-ty met and decided to telegraph to Senor de Lome, dccepting his resigna-tion and entrusting the first secretary with the conduct of the current af-rais. of the legation. The candidature of Senor Murunga to succeed Senor de Lome has been aban-doned. The government maintains its reserve, desiring to secure the approval of Washington, according to diplomatic ustom, before appointing Senor de Lome's successor.

Lome's successor, Senor Sagasta, the premier, and oth-

senor Sagata, the premier, and oth-er members of the cabinet state pub-licly that the De Lome incident will not affect the relations between Spain and the United States, and that a new envoy competent to conduct the com-mercial negotiations will be selected.

STUDENTS FIGHT POLICE.

Interference With a Snow Ball Match Neces-

President & Low Politician

MUTINOUS JAPS.

Forty Englishmen Held at Bay an Entire Night by Drunken Sailors.

ter signed "Enrique Dupuy de Lome," who is minister of Spain in Washing-ton, and addressed to Pose Canalejas, who went to Cuba last September as Premier Sagasta's personal representa-tive. In this letter the Spanish minister refers to President McKinley as "wonk and catering to the rabbie" and as a "low politician, who desires to stand well with the jingos of his party." The Washington correspondent of the New York Press says that when a copy of this letter was shown to Minister de Lome he promptly pronounced if a forgery. He also says that an official of the state department discussing the matter said: "De Lome did not write that letter; the Cuban junta has been imposed upon by somebody." Japan, while keeping her eye stead-fastly on the Chinese situation, has now an unlooked for difficulty to con-tend with. Continual trouble is being reported from vessels manned by Japanese

now an unlooked for difficulty to con-tend with. Tontinual trouble is being reported from vessels manned by Japanese crews, the Japanese resenting any in-structions or surveillance from Euro-pean officers and reserving an especial grudge for European passengers. Sev-eral cases have been reported where officers already marked for attack by the Japanese and warned to withdraw from the service their retention of their positions being invariably followed by a murderous attack from ambushed Japanese enemies. A case in point is reported from the New York K. liner Hakata Maru from Japan via Hong Kong for England. There were 38 pas-sengers on board the liner, many of whom were repeatedly attacked by the Japanese crew whenever they left their own state rooms after nightfall. On New Year's day all the Japanese stilors and waiters, "mad drunk" and chal only in breech eloths, made an or-sanized attack on the English officers and passengers of the Hakata Maru. The Japanese were armed with knives, crowhars and belaying pins, haved open with a marin spike. Ac-ording to the accounts in the Tele-sengers were driven to the bridge, where, unarmed, 46 Englishmen kept 100 drik-maddened Japaneses at bay dur-ing the entire night by brandishing the entire night by by randishing the entire altacked a passenger. Thomas Hall, in his berth, cutting his sestent and attacked a passenger. Thomas Hall, in his berth, bridge, where, unarmed, 46 Englishmen kept 100 drik-maddened Japanese at bay dur-ing the entire night by brandishing the drink-maddened Japanese at bay dur-ing the entire night by brandishing the dargen yith the Victoria jail, at Hong made to accommodate all three and the trio falling together. The executed men where members of an armed gang of shop thieves, and in ariding a store there a lisbanded soldiers. Diserimation Against Americans

Discrimination Against Americans

American lumber is now the subject discrimination at the hands of the of discrimination at the hands of the Prussian government, according to the report of the United States consul at Bremen, Mr. Keenan. The consul trans-mits the complaints of a number of lumber dealers against what they relumber dealers against what they re-gard as discriminating charges against the carriage of American pitch pine levied by the Prussian railway. This pitch pine is listed as class I, at a higher rate than class 2, on which is listed similar wood from Sweden, Nor-way and other countries. It is also said that American pitch pine is allow-ed to go at the lower rate if the officials do not know where it originates. The trade is considerable, and this Prussian railroad is the only means by which the wood can be taken into the inter-lor, so the discrimination is keenly felt, says the consul.

ays the consul.

Russia, Germany's Co-Laborer.

Interference With a Snow Ball Match Neces-sitates the Sending of Riot Calls. Two thousand students of the Rush medical college, the Chicago college of dental surgery and the Marquette school, engaged in a desperate conflict Tuesday afternoon at Chicago with 40 policemen. The battle raged with inter-missions of peace from noon until 6 o'clock in the evening. The police were compelled to send in riot calls repeated-ly. When the students were finally put to rout they retreated to the protection of the college buildings and hurled down all kinds of missiles upon the police. Janitor Gus Christianson, of the Marquette school, was badly besten, and had to be carried from the field of battle. Russa, Germany & Go-Laborer. The Emperor of Germany, on Thurs-day, was present at the parade of the Fifth Regiment of Guards, at Span-dam, before their Colonel, the Russian Grand Duke Constantine, and His Ma-jesty created a sensation by walking up to his guests with his drawn saber and schutter, while available in the and saluting, while saying, in a ring-ing voice: "Always friends with our dear neighbor and co-laborer Russia

At the luncheon afterward, at the officers' mess, the Emperor drank to the health of the Grand Duke, saying: "To

i future comradeship in arms." The Grand Duke Constantine did not respond and hardly touched his glass with his lips.

England's Interests Not Suffering.

Marquette school, was badly beaten, and had to be carried from the field of battle. Brandlshing clubs and revolvers the police chased the students inside the college doors and forcibly took them from the buildings. When the riot was over and peace reigned 25 students had been placed under arrest. The trouble began by the students en-graging in a snowball fight, in which the policemen interfered. The grand battle began at 5 p. m. when the officials ar-rested Carl Case, the son of a professor in the dental school. When he and an-other prisoner were locked in a patrol box the students smashed the box, roll-ed the officers in the gutter and re-leased the prisoners. During the fight four students were badly clubbed, and officers Suilivan and Brennen injured. The streets were black with people. England's Interests Not Suffering. Fremier Salisbury, in reply to criti-cism of the government's course, says England's interests in the far east have not been allowed to suffer. He says Russia and Germany have given posi-tive assurance that all ports they may secure will be open to all commerce. Ta Lien Wau, the marquis says, is not worth taking, as the territory back of it is barren and at present there is no rallway communication with the in-terior. A dispatch from Herlin quotes Baron von Buelow as saying Germany does not oppose any of England's just interests.

Lustgert Found Guilty. Adolph L. Lustgert was Wednesday night convicted of the murder of his wife, and sentenced to inpersonment in the penitentiary for life. The big pris-oner was calm to all appearances, and did not seem nervous in any degree. He smiled at one or two friends, and ther the announcement buchd in a after the announcement, laughed in a manner that showed plainly that he did not think the verdict a scrious matter, comparatively speaking. The trial lasted 72 days, and was his second.

Anthony Hope's Complaint. Anthony Hope has been talking free-by regarding America since he returned to London. He sais he believes half to be population of the United States is composed of interviewers "whose pre-tervine and future, no one asked me intel States and its literature, past, present and future, no one asked me single question regarding England or single question re

A Chain of Suicides.

A Chain of Snicides iss Lizzie W. Huffman, of Bright-d, Ind. is dead from the effects of arcotic poison taken with suicidal ant. Several weeks ago her daugh-Edith committed suicide. Previous Edith's death her lover. Harry Phil-committed suicide. The daughter despondent over her lover's death, mother could not stand her sorrow r her daughter's death.

Thirtsen People Scorched. lay morning 16 inmates of a ory tenement house at Albany, narrowly escaped death. As it percent, were badly burned. Mrs.

Professor Samuel J. James, of the University of Chicago, has been nomi-nated by the bureau of education to re-present the United States at the international congress of commercial in-struction to be held at Antwerp next April.

Chris Merry of Chicago, under sen-tence for the murder of his wife, suf-fered an injury to the head some years ago. In the effort to save his life his attorneys will have his brain examined with X rays before the date of his exe-cution. cution.

Secretary Bilss emphatically, disap proves the senate bill to remove the Indians from Annette island to the main land of Alaska and throw the is the

main land of Alaska and throw the is-land open to settlement. It is repre-sented that, isolated from the whites, as they now are, the Indians are making good progress in civilization. A boat containing five men went over the fails at Oregon City, Ore., the other day. George Freeman, Sr., his sons, George and James, and L. J. Shannon were drowned. Harry Free-man held to the boat and reached shore. The present high water will probably prevent recovery of the bod-les.

The Quebec express on the Intercol The Quebec express on the Intercol-onial railway plunged over an embank-mgnt at Petit Roche, 7 miles from Eal-hurst, near St. John, N. B., last Wed-nesday, killing the engineer, William Bastain, and badly injuring Fireman Foole. The cause of the accident is supposed to be a broken rail. The pas-senger cars did not go over the embank-ment and the passengers escaped in-jury.

Michael Davitt moved an amend-Michael Davitt moved an amend-ment in the House of Commons in London the other day calling attention to the distress in Ireland, and the fail-ure of the potato crop. The motion was seconded by John P. Hayden and was supported by John Dillon, chairman of the Trish parliamentary party, who said the misery in Ireland was a scan-dal to the government. Mr. Dillon ad-ded that the distress was aggravated by evictions of the starving and he called upon the government for imme-diate comprehensive proposals for the relief of the sufferers.

Died Holding an American Flag. Mrs. Susanna Smith. wife of the weil-known Brooklyn abolittonist, died with an American flag in her right hand and a portrait of Abraham Lincoln in her left, at her home in Brootsyn Sat-urday afternoon. She had gone to an upper room for the flag and the por-trait, intending to use them to decorate her partor in honor of Lincoln's birth-day. While going downstairs ahe was tripped by the flag and plunged head-long to the foot of the stairs. She died almost instantly.

day have been unsuccessful. The s cess of the recent strike of miners, The success of the recent strike of miners, in which more than 200,000 took part, has encouraged the American Federation of Labor to prepare for undertaking a tremendous fight. The leaders are now perfecting plans which they believe will insure success. Mr. Gompers intends to confine his work until May 1 to interesting the unions affiliated with the American Federation in the movement. He will superintend the operations of a power-

superintend the operations of a power-ful and well organized staff of organ-izers from his headquarters at Wash-ington, D. C. He will superintend many of the arrangements of the arrangements personally

CAPITAL GLEANINGS.

Available cash balance, \$223,876,943; gold reserve, \$165,169,121. The Minnesota members are working hard for the bill against "mixed" flour. Commodore Bunce has been nominated by the president to be rear admiral

Senator Pettigrew spoke against the Hawaiian annexation treaty in the excutive session.

Three propositions were introduced in senate last Tuesday for the relief of Cuban insurgents.

of Cuban insurgents. President McKinley will address the University of Pennsylvania students on Washington's birthday. For ten years the United States has been second in the volume of foreign trade, but is displaced by Germany and now ranks third.

First Assistant Postmaster General Heath ruled that it is not necessary for newspaper publishers who may be appointed postmasters to give up their

The secretary of the treasury sent to congress the draft for a bill to reduce the number of customs districts from 152 to 65, and it is contemplated it will cause a reduction in expenses from \$429,660 to \$231,000.

The secretary of the treasury issued a warrant in favor of the treasurer of the United States for \$7,515,255,15, to be used for the payment of first mort-gages on the eastern and middle divis-ions of the Kansas Pacific railroad.

The Indian office will scon issue ad-vertisements inviting pasture lands on the Osage and Kaw Indian reserva-tions in Oklahoma. There are about 200,000 acres to be leased and the period is to be three years from April 1. The boils committee on commarce

The house committee on commerce killed the senate bill to permit the state of South Carolina to control liquors brought into the state in orig-inal packages. The motion to report it favorably was lost on a tie vote.

left Key West Friday morning with stores for the Maine. The boat pitched heavily in a fearful sea. Ensign Breck-inridge, who was stationed forward, was carried off his feet by a heavy sea. He clutched the life line as he was swept aft. The line parted, however, and Ensign Breckinridge went over-board. Seamen Everett and Coppage started

to go to resource in the lifeboat, but it was swamped in lowering and the men were thrown into the water. The Cushing finally obeyed her helm and swung around and maneuvered near the men in the water. Atkins, Commers and Wester water, atkins,

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Coppage and Everett were rescued by lines, and Ensign Breckinridge was taken on board in the same manner, Atkins fastening the line to him. On the arrival in Havana a message was sent to Consul General Lee, who sent Dr. Burgess. Dr. Burgess said it was doubtful if medical aid, if avail-able, could have saved the ensign. Breckinridge's father is inspector general of the army in Washington.

Starvation in Chicago.

Mrs. Carolina Lang, 85 years of age died at the county hospital at Chicago the other day of starvation, and her the other day of starvation, and her husband, Cornelius Lang, 75 years old, is in the same institution dying slowly from the same cause. When the police found them they had been three days without food and a week without fire. Lang was found lying on the floor near the door. He had started to crawi to the door to bring aid for his wife, but had fainted through weakness. Neith-er of them was able to speak when found.

The Assassin Killed.

The Assassin Killed. The official confirmation of the as-sination of President Barries of Guate-mala came to the state department in the following cable from United States Minister Hunter at Guatemala City: "President Barries was shot and in-stantly killed while walking with two military officers near the palace. The assassin while attempting to escape was immediately killed by the presi-dent's staff. Manuel Estrada Cabrera, temporarily the tribunal successor, has been peaceably installed. All quiet."

Been peacedoly instance. All quiet. Beat the Empire State Express. Train No. 4, the Santa Fe's California limited, consisting of a composite car, dining car and three heavy Pullmans, recently covered the distance from La Junta, Col., to Dodge City, Kan., 2044 miles, in 3 hours and 44 minutes. The actual speed was 56.7 miles per hour. This is faster time than is made by the Empire State express between New York and Buffalo.

Queen's Speech to Parliament. Parliament opened Tuesday at Lon-don with questions of great moment crowding for consideration, yet the pre-valing tone was peace, progress and

Letters received at Berlin from Klao Chau show that things are not so penceful there as the Government pro-fesses. The Germans have sent sever-al expeditions into the interior to pun-ish the natives for outrages upon genhave been several encounters, and there have been several encounters. In one case two Chinese officers and a number of their followers were killed, and a village has been destroyed and a camp broken up. The Germans sleep on their arms and fear a sudden attack.

Germans Killed in China

CABLE SPARKS.

An epidemic like trichinosis has bro ken out in Berlin.

The Norwegian ministry has resign-ed. Former Premier Steein will form a new ministry.

Two lots of California apples were stopped by German inspectors within the last fortnight.

ed in parts of the Sudetan mountains, Germany. People have been forced to dermany. Peo flee for safety.

During the Zola trial at Paris a sym pathizer cheered for the novelist and the police had difficulay in preventing a mob from drowning him,

Spain is without funds, is endeavor-ing to raise a loan in England and her legation at London has for a long time received no remittances.

President Barrios, of Guatemala, was assassinated at the seat of government last Wednesday. The insurgents had threatened his death and have fulfilled their intentions.

Oriential advices by steamer say that the black plague has broken out in Eastern Yunnan. At Chan-I-Cheo 600 deaths occurred in two months. The people are throwing dead bodies to the dogs

people are throwing tear to be a dogs. Paul Kruger has been re-elected president of the South African republic. The total number of votes cast was 19,-423. President Kruger received 13,764; Mr. Schalkburger, 3,716, and Gen. Jou-bert 1943.

Russia's Independent Stand

Russis's independent stand. Much importance is attached to a communication appearing in the official "Messenger" in which Russia abandon-ing the candidature of Prince George of Greece for the governorship of the island of Crete, threatens all concerned, declines all responsibility for the con-sequences of further dragging the question, and says Russia will not al-low any increase in the number of Turkish troops in Crete

Lord's Prayer is Worship. Attorney General Crow, of Missouri, iast week in an opinion held it a viol-ation of the state law to have pupils re-cite the Lord's prayer, or for the teacher to read the Bible as a part of the opening exercises in the public schools of the state. He says that these exercises are forms of religious wor-ship, and hence are forbidden to be done in a public school house during school hours. He says: "The contin-uous reading of the Bible and repeat-ing the Lord's prayer cannot be done by believers in Christianity, without feelings of deepest gratitude and a holy sense of honor, reverence, adoration Lord's Prayer is Worship. sense of honor, reverence, adoration and homage to the Supreme Being, which is the essence of worship."

NO BIBLE IN THE SCHOOLS.

An Attorney Argues that the Reciting of the

A Visitor to be Dreaded.

A Visitor to be Dreaded The Spanish government has decided to send the Spanish cruiser Almirante Oquendo to Havana and thence to New, York. The Almirante Oquendo, though termed an armored cruiser of the bar-bett type, is really a fast battleship. She is of 7,000 tons displacement and 1,300 indicated horse power, calculated to give her a speed of about 20 knots.⁴ She was built at Bilbao in 1991, cost about \$3,000,000, has a belt of armor over her gun positions, and her deck plating is 3 inches thick. The arma-ment of this warship consists of two 11-inch guns, ten 5-inch guns, eight 2.2-inch quick firing guns, eight 1.4-inch guns, and two smaller quick firing guns. She has six torpedo tubes, car-ries 1,200 tons of coal and her crow numbers 500 men. numbers 500 men.

Minister Suicides.

Minister Suicides. George MacCoun, aged 22, of the Pro-testant Episcopal church, committed suicide at Baitimore a few days ago by shooting himself over the heart at the residence of his mother. The act was done apparently in a cool and studied manner. He removed his coat and other clothing. He stood before a mir-ror, opened his shirt and fired the fatal bullet. It is stated he had been suffer-ing greatly from pains in his head and had been afflicted with melancholy. He was a son of the late Dr. MacCoun, surgeon in the United States navy. Liener Gauses a Tragedy.

Liquor Causes a Tragedy. Liquor Causes a Tragedy. After shooting his sweetheart, May Martin, until he felt certain that she would die, William Jacob, living in Pittsburg, Wednesday afternoon turn-ed a 32-cailter revolver to his own head and fired. He lived for half an hour, and the death of the young woman is expected at almost any moment. Jeal-ouse of the suicide and murder.

Judge Becomes a Christian Scientist Judge J. Clarkson, one of the I known lawyers of Omaha, has sold fine library, turned his lucrative p lice over to others, closed his office become a christian science he

Two Italian warships are now at Port au Prince, Hayti, to collect a claim of \$120,090.

Cavalry was necessary to quell the disturbances in Paris Sunday caused by the trial of M. Zola, the novelist. Great snowfalls and floods are report-