ROBERTS' FORCES MOVING SLOWLY.

BOERS RESIST.

Brilish Have 50,000 Men in Motion Along Front of 40 Miles but Find a Stubborn Enemy.

Roberts' latest dispatch, which

dated Wednesday, says: "Gen. Hamilton met with considera ble success and drove the enemy out of the strong position they had taken up at Housek with comparatively small loss to us. The Boers dispersed in several directions, mainly to the cast and north, leaving 26 prisoners in our hands, including one commandant, and 16 other wounded men. Gen. Hamilton is now in camp at Jacobsrust. As the men needed rest after fighting seven out of the last io days, I ordered them to halt for the day. Gen. Broadwood's of the last to days, I ordered them, halt for the day. Gen. Broadwood's brigade of cavalry arrived upon the scene in time to afford valuable assistance by threatening the enemy's rear. During the afternoon Gen. Ian Hamilton was joined by Gen. Bruce Hamilton was joined by Gen. ton's brigade of infantry. The enemy admit having 12 killed and 40 wounded yesterday. Among the former was Lieut. Gunther, a German officer belonging to the Fifty-fifth regiment, and among the latter was Maximoff, the Russian commander of the foreign legion. Twenty out of 52 of the enemy's casualties occurring among the members of that begion. Two Frenchmen were of that legion. Two Frenchmen were among the killed.

among the killed.

Gen. Rundle, with the Eighth division, is posted on the right of the British advance and is facing a Boer position strongly defended by heavy guns. Gen. Ian Hamilton is pressing northward with his mounted infantry. The cavalry, owing to the greater numbers of the enemy, have been prevented from com-pleting the movement that was intended to encircle the Boers on the march to Brandfort and the enemy are now prepared to offer stubborn opposition on an entrenched hill to the southeast of

Telegrams from Brandfort, dated Fri day, say: The mounted infantry with Lord Roberts, among whom are the Canadians, have picketed their horses on the south bank of the Vet river, 18 miles north of Brandfort. The head of Lord Roberts' column has thus advanced at miles from Karen Siding in two ed 32 miles from Karee Siding in two days, or 53 miles north of Bloemion-

Little powder was spent. The Brit-ish work was hard marching, the Boers retiring out of reach of the British

The Boer flag was flying over Brand-fort as the British entered the town. Several British wounded were found in the hospital. The Boer postmaster gave up the keys of the public business to

A British six-inch wire gun opene unexpectedly on the Boer laager Thurs-day, at a distance of seven and a half miles, throwing 100-pound shells with wonderful accuracy and causing a hasty retreat of the burghers.

The bombardment continued Friday at all points by howitzers and field guns, supported by two companies of the Munster regiment, the Boers being driven from shelter and their guns being put out of action.

GARCIA A CAPTIVE.

Members of Funston's Staff Made the Capture. Ranks Next After Agninaldo.

Gen. Pantelon Garcia, the highest in surgent officer, except Aguinaldo, was captured Sunday by Lieut. E. V. Smith, of Gen. Funston's staff, in the town of Jaen, three miles northeast of San Isaidro, province of New Ecija,

Jaen is the largest ungarrisoned town in the province. Spies reported that Garcia was sick and had been com-pelled to hide there, and Licut. Smith, with Lieut. Day and 40 artillerymen, surrounded the town. The spies led was disguised as a peasant, only a major and two servants being with him. These also were captured.

Garcia personally directed the guerrilla operations, and Gen. Funston had weeks trying to corner him, several companies beating the whole coun night. Often the Americans caught messengers bearing Garcia's orders. The people protected him and burned signal lights wherever the

American soldiers appeared. He seldom slept twice in the same town. Recently Gen Funston surprised him and his staff while dining at Arayat at dusk. The Filipinos leaped through the windows and escaped, leaving their papers and everything except the clothing they wore. The strain of being hunted finally exhausted their en

Garcia commanded all the insurgents in central Luzon, several generals, in-cluding Pio del Pilar and Mascardo,

WOMAN'S BODY IN BOX.

Station Agent at Cambridge Springs, Pa. Makes a Ghastly Discovery.

The body of a woman was Tuesday morning in a drygoods box at Camb idge Springs, Pa. On the night of April 24 R. R. Crowe, night operator at the station, heard a wagon drive up and a man came in, saying he had a heavy box for A. Mossman, Burlington, Vt., and said that the shipper was Frank total up to 250. No others are known The matter was reported to to be missing. the agent in the morning and it was expected that the shippers would return to complete arrangements for sending Agent Gotterel wrote to Bur lington to learn if the consignee would guarantee the charges. No reply being received he decided to examine the contents and told a messenger to open the

In the box was a nude form of a woman. The cover was screwed on and the box was bound in wire. It had apparently been used before for the shipment of goods to A. W. Pelton, Conneaut. O., from Sweetson, Pembroke & Co., New York. The body was that of a dark-complexioned woman, probably about 42 years old, 5 feet 334 inches tall, weighing about 130 pounds. The hair is plentiful and quite dark. The upper teeth are false. No marks of violence were on the body. The surgeon's examination showed that she had probably died of pneumonia. In the box was a nude form of a w

LATEST NEWS NOTES.

Gen. Otis sailed for San Francisco Saturday on the transport Meade Several Massillon, O., miners are among the victims of the Utah mine

The Trinity river in Texas has over-flowed its banks and destroyed much

Minnesota Populists have endorsed Bryan for President and C. A. Towne or vice president.

For fear of receiving a whipping a year-old boy of Philadelphia, suicid ed by drowning

Fire destroyed the plant of the Reed Fertilizer Company at Syracuse, N. with a loss of \$50,000.

Brazil is with great pomp and cere-mony celebrating the fourth centennary of the discovery of that land. The laying of the German American Atlantic cable was begun at the island

of Borkum, in the North sea. A tornado did much harm at Wilson Neb. A. Tower, his wife

daughter were seriously injured. Queen Victoria has contributed 500 guineas and the Prince of Wales 230

mineas to the Ottawa fire relief fund. Secret service agents were in Lan easter trying to secure information rel tive to the new counterfeit \$20 bill. The nomination of Sanford B. Dole

to be governor of Hawaii has been sent by President McKinley to the Senate. Industries connected with the build-ing trades in Philadelphia are idle, ow ing to a strike. Over 4,000 men are

Testimony has closed in the Coeur d'Alene mining trouble investigation at Washington, and counsel will make ar-

Heywood Bros, and Wakefield Coms cane cutting factory, at Wake-Mass., was damaged \$100,000 by fire Friday.

The chief portion of the mining town of Sandon, in the silver lead district of East Kootenai, B. C., was destroyed by

W. C. Endicott, secretary of war un der President Cleveland's first admin-istration, died at Boston, Mass., Sunday aged 73 years.

The resolutions adopted by New Hampshire Republicans endorse the Chicago platform and declare emphati-cally for Bryan.

In Platte Canyon, Col., the roadbed of the Colorado and Southern Railroad has been damaged to the extent of

\$200,000 by floods. David Malafon, wife and child, set-tlers near Crivitz, Mich., are missing, and it is feared that they perished in the recent forest fires.

An unknown negro, charged with as saulting a white child at Hartford, Ala. was taken by a mob from officers at Geneva, Ala., and lynched.

The Baldwin locomotive works have received an order from the Egyptian government for 20 locomotives to be sed on the Egyptian railway.

Daniel Shaw, the originator of the toilet supply system for offices, despondent over ill health, committed suicide in Chicago Sunday by shooting himself. Dr. Edward Everett Vincent, who wa

surgeon of Lieutenant Peary's '93 Arc tic exploration, was run over treet car and instantly killed in Detroit Cardinal Richard dedicated the chape

rected in Paris by the Count and Countess Castellane in memory of the ictims of the fire in the charity bazar. The Senate committee on public buildings has reported favorably a bill providing for a Government building to cost \$1.250,000, to be located in New providing

Judge McPherson, of the United States district court in Philadelphia, has denied the appeals of two dealers found guilty of selling oleomargarine in old packages

In Chicago, Mrs. Albert Holst invited Emma Stelz to her house and sho surrounded the town. The spies led and killed her because, as the Holst them directly to the house where Garcia woman said, Miss Stelz had broken up

A grand jury in Chicago indicted eight men for conspiracy and perjury. they having been interested in the at-tempt to secure the release of William Major, in connection with labor trou-

Preaching in the City Temple, Lon-don, Rev. Dr. Joseph Parker, referring to the alleged Christ-Agrippa manuscripts, said he undertook to say Christ had never written 'such inconceivable non-

Indictments charming George P. Gub bins, Anton Horne and Edward Williams, local labor leaders, with assault and inciting riots, were turned into court in Chicago, and capias issued for

their arrest. Forest fires between Cedarville and Center Grove, N. J., Wednesday night, drove snakes, rabbits and other wood denizens to the highways in such num-bers that one could hardly avoid stepping on them.

The panel of 30 jurors drawn in Lan-sing, Mich., Thursday for the trial of the case against Colonel Eli Sutton, charged with complicity in the State military frauds, was exhausted at noon without a jury being secured.

Five additional bodies were brought in Saturday out of No. 4 mine at Sco-field. Utah, the scene of the recent explosion. The bodies were horribly mutilated and burned. This brings the

Escano recently mutinied in the chan-nel between Cebu and Leyt and killed the captain, the mate and the owner. Senor Escano, and his son with knives after a desperate struggle. The muti-neers then scuttled the ship and escaped to the Leyte mountains with \$38,000. to the Leyte mountains with \$28,000.

Convention hall managers at Philadelphia run no risk of being cornered by a strike and therefore will not have

the hall painted until after the Republi-can National convention.

A syndicate of New York men have contracted to build a railroad from Lopez, Sullivan county, to the extensive deposits of fire clay, building and mon-umental stone on Forkston mountain,

which, it is reported, will do much air, which, it is reported, will do much damage to ranchmen and railroads in the eastern part of the State.

CHOLERA ADDS HORROR TO FAMINE

FEARFUL SITUATION.

Ninety-three and a Half Millions of People Perishing in India Nat.vo States Doited With Heaps of Dead.

The report that cholera is strength ning its deadly hold on famine-stricken India brings the pitiful condition of that country more than ever to public view. About 93,500,000 persons, for this is the population of the districts affected, are sweltering their squalid existences away amid pestilence and misery that how no signs of abating. Har of thousands of pounds in good British gold, good German marks and American corn have been thrown into the country, but, judging from the latest advices, all this charity is merely a drop in the ocean.

The famine and its attendant compli cations appear to exceed in virulence any two previous visitations. The any two and the government are making cease less exertions to meet the terrible emer gency, but the stupendous difficulties confronting them prevent the present supplying of relief to more than 5,000,

In the meantime the native states are dotted with heaps of dead and dying and the roads are crowded with ghastly bands seeking to escape from the stricken territories, but who, for lack of food and water, mostly succumb in the attempt. One of the most hopeless fea-tures of the whole affair is contained in the statement of a correspondent a Simla, who writes:

"Ten times the total relief could be laid out in a single district without fully relieving its distress. All we can hope for is a succession of good years to put the people on their legs again.

SWEFT BY WIND.

Central Kansas Visited by Destructive Torna does-Many Counties Devastated

No less than a dozen tornadoes more or less severity are reported to have occurred Sunday afternoon in Saline, Ellsworth and Barton counties in Central Kansas, which join each oth er. At Ellinwood, Barton county er. At Ellinwood, Barton county three persons are reported killed. Other storms are reported near Ellsworth and

Kanopolis, in Ellsworth county, and near Brookville, in Saline county. Near Kanopolis eight distinct funnel-shaped clouds developed within a radius of 20 miles, four of them large ones and two of which are known to have traveled over the earth for a space of 25 minutes. One of the storms tore down all of the outbuildings, granaries and windmills on the Waite farm, three miles north of Kanopolis, and another tore down the house and barn of a farmer north of Ellsworth. Brookville reports six tornadoes traversed the country in as many different directions from that town without touching it. o instance were details reported. Th destruction wrought has probably been off the railroads, at inaccessible points

Bey Killed for Three Dollars.

John Garrabrandt, a 19-year-old outh, Saturday murdered Henry Mass, a 16-year-old boy, in the cellar of a enement at Jersey City. Garrabrand-vas arrested and confessed to the mur-ler. The boys had been chums. Garabrandt, who was out of work, says halled Mass to get his week's wages amounting to \$3, so that he might take it home to his family.

Garrabrandt led the 16-year-old boy to the cellar, and, distracting his atten-

tion, struck him over the head with a piece of lead to which was attached a leather strap. He struck him two or three times, and when the boy had lost insciousness, he threw a noo his neck and strangled him

MANY JAPANESE COMING.

Officers of the steamship Tacoma which arrived at Tacoma, Wash, Sat urday from Yokohama, speaking of the great number of Japanese flocking to the United States and British Columbia, say it is current talk in Yokohama that 30,000 Japanese will leave their native country this summer for British Colum bia, and it is believed that the number coming to the United States will be

The steamer Tosu Maru is now due on the sound with 1,600 Japanese on board, and the Dalnyvostock, one of the Tacoma liners, will be there in few days with 900 more.

Desperate Fight in Panay.

A dispatch received Thursday from Iloilo reports that a desperate fight took place at Leamabnao, in the center of the island of Panay. It appears that a reconnoitering party of the Twenty-sixth infantry was surrounded, and that four of the Americans were killed and that 16 others severely wounded were lef on the field. The remainder of the sol

diers had a narrow escape.

The dispatch adds that reinforcements were sent from Iloilo as soon as news of the affair was received, whereupon the Filipinos retreated to their mountain stronghold

Texas Town Partially Rozed.

One-third of the houses in Garza, town in Denton county, Tex., were destroyed late Sunday afternoon by a tornado. No one was hurt, for, warn The Filipinos crew of the steamship ed by a big black cloud, the people sought refuge in stormhouses the tornado reached them.

Reports from other sections of Den-ton county show that several houses at Little Elm were demolished and several people injured. Wires to the north are

AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Frank Bergen, of Elizabeth, N. has declined an appointment as chief justice of Puerto Rico.

The comptroller has authorized the First National bank of Oakdale, Pa., to

commence business on \$50,000 capital. President McKinley has indicated his intention of attending, if possible, the reunion of the Army of the Potomac, at Fredericksburg, on May 23.

Capt. Chadwick has delivered to Sec-retary Long a formal statement concern-ing the publications attributing to him remarks derogatory to Admiral Schley

BELIEVE AGUINALDO DEAD,

Has Not Been Heard From for Four Months. With a Few Soldiers he Fled to the Wilderness.

The belief is growing that Aguinalde was killed by the Ygorrotes. There is no proof that he has been alive since Major Peyton C. March, of the Thirtythird regiment, abandoned the chase after the Filipino leader in the Benque ancer the Pulpino leader in the Benquet mountains, and an insurgent officer who recently surrendered to Gen. Young says that the insurgent general, Tinio, thinks Aguinaldo is dead. Tinio held regular communication with Aguinaldo until Dec. 28, since when he has heard nothing from him, and Tinio thinks Aguinaldo would find means to communicate with him if alive.

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Maj. March's information was that there were only half a dozen soldiers with Aguinaldo when he fled beyond the Bontoc wilderness, where the saveness are basile to all strangers. ages are hostile to all strangers. Friends of Aguinaldo's wife asserts that she has heard nothing from him since they parted. She is in a delicate condition and nearly prostrated with worry. Therefore, she has not been informed of the death of her child and thinks it is with friends or Basers.

s with friends at Bacoor. Gen. Funston has discovered a rebel warehouse near Cabanutuan, province of New Egija, containing all the arch-ives of the Malolos government, Aguinaldo's correspondence up to the time of his flight and much valuable histori-

OUARREL ENDS.

Miners' Wage Scale Settled for Pittsburg-Met Are Satisfied

Remaining differences regarding the Pittsburg district coal mining wags scale were settled Thursday at a com scale were settled Thursday at a com-mittee meeting of representatives of the United Mine Workers and the big coal combines. The result is that from the beginning of the new scale year, April 1, most of the outside day men, in fact, all that are strictly outside day men, get the advance of 20 per cent. demanded by the miners' leaders. The advance of the demander of the dem vance goes to dumpers, trimmers checkmen, slack haulers, greasers, coup-lers, car cleaners, who clear cars' bot-toms for fresh loading, and car droppersout and car droppers-in. Blacksmiths carpenters, engineers, firemen and me of the class usually paid on a monthly scale will be advanced according to their ability and to bring them up to standard of such craftsmen empl employed elsewhere by the Pittsburg Coal Com-pany, while the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company has already given these men, along with the regular outside day men, an advance of 25 cents a day.

The coal companies are bringing large numbers of new miners in to man their plants, so as to get a record pro-duction of coal, called for by tremen-dous orders that have never before been placed for Pittsburg coal. Two hundred foreigners were sent to the vicinity of Webster within the past few days and this started a report that the men were being brought in in anticipation of a strike. Miners from other districts are coming here, attracted by the higher Pittsburg district wage.

Bank Robbers Busy.

The First National bank of East Brady, Pa., was looted by burglars ear-Saturday morning, the safe being vnamited. The loss is estimated at dynamited. The loss is estimated at \$15,000. All day Saturday the country was scoured for the robbers and word was received Sunday that three men, Thomas Carter, Michael Hagan, and Patrick Hennesey had been captured at San Pathlakan, 21 miles away. They New Bethlehem, 21 miles away. They will be taken to East Brady for identi

ver than two men could carry. Sympathy for America.

The London Daily Telegraph, after alluding editorially to the generous sympathy and aid of Americans in connection with the Ottawa fire and com menting at length upon the Scofield

saster, concludes as follows: "There will be deeper sympathy with America in this awful catastrophe than has been evoked by any event on the other side of the Atlantic since the loss, of the Maine."

National Finances.

The monthly statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business April 30, 1900, the debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$1,124.802.085, which is an increase of \$12,545.727. This increase is due to the decrease in the cash on hand made necessary by the heavy payments on account of present worth of bonds now being extended at 2 per cent. interest.
The monthly comparative statement

of the government receipts and expenditures show that during April the re-ceipts aggregated \$45.030,326 and the expenditures \$40,003,027, leaving a surplus for the month of \$4,136,000.

The receipts during the month show an increase of \$3,500,000 as compared with April, 1800, and the expenditures a decrease of \$25,000,000.

Indian Vengeancs.

During a row at a dance near the Ponca Indian agency. Nebraska, Peter Birdhead, an Indian, was shot and kill-Birdhead, an Indian, was shot and kill-ed by a half-bred named Laurier. The murderer gave himself up. The relatives of the murdered man held a consulta-tion and decided to kill Laurier. The report is that his body was horribly mutilated with an ax. Birdhead's rela-tives have fled.

Chio Bank Robbery

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At moon Sunday the finding of a lot of pennies in an alley led to the discovery that the bank of the Stebbins Banking Company at Creston, Wayne county, Ohio, had been robbed. Entrance was gained by forcing an iron door at the rear windows. The door to the vault was blown from its fastenings, but the strong boy which, it is said, holds \$14,000, withstood the efforts of powder and drills. About \$100 in cash, a lot of jewelry and valuable papers, were taken from the safety deposit and safety deposit and safety deposit and safety deposit sheriff.

Kitled by a Minister.

Rev. W. E. Johnson, pastor of the Baptist Church at Bamberg, S. C., Friday shot and killed W. T. Bellinger, fatter of the trouble arose over the painting of the troub

PHILIPPINE WAR'S END IS AT HAND.

FILIPINOS SURRENDER.

Gen. Olis Says They Lost 1,721 During April, Besides Artitlery, Rifles, Ammunition and Stores - American Losses Small.

Gen. Otis Friday cabled from Manila as follows:

April captures from enemy 30 piece artillery, 1,209 rifles, considerable ammunition and large stores property. During early portion of the month the enemy was active in extreme northern and southern Luzon and some Viscayan islands. Our reported losses for the month are 13 enlisted men killed, three officers and 24 enlisted men wounded. Rumored recent loss in Samar of 19 killed and number wounded not yet reported. This is due to small detachments scouting in mountains in the in-terior of the island. The enemy losses officially reported were 1,721 killed wounded and captured. Leading Fili pinos express confidence in the early pacification of the islands. They say the war has terminated. Leading insurgents

are surrendering.
Maj. Gen. Otis sailed Saturday San Francisco on the transport Meade.
Maj. Gen. MacArthur will succeed him in command of the Phylippines, and Gen. Wheaton will succeed MacArthur as commander of the department of Southern Luzon.

The insurgent archives discovered by Gen. Funston include papers implicating prominent foreign firms at Manila in unlawful dealings. It is reported that evidence has been obtained that some of them furnished munitions of war to the rebels, and that the American authorities are in possession of a plan for at-tacking the American forces, written by Aguinaldo, in the Tagalog language, January 9, 1899, and translated into Spanish by Buencamino. No corre-spondence from the so-called anti-im-perialist party of the United States was

USED NITRO-GLYCERINE.

A St. Louis Street Car Blown from the Tracks. Passengers Terrified.

A car on the St. Louis and Suburbat railway was blown from the track and twisted sideways by an explosion of nitro-glycerine late Saturday night. Seven of the passengers were slightly injured by the flying glass, and broken timbers, which came up from below. Four were taken back to the city for

explosive was nitro-glycerine, which had been spread on the track for some distance. The car was filled with persons returning from the Deway called. ons returning from the Dewey celebra It was raining hard at the time lightning flashed continuously

across the car.

Many women were among the passet gers, and they screamed wildly. Ever person was hurled from the seats, and fell pell-mell into the nisle. At first it was thought that a bolt of lightning had struck, but when the motorman and conductor, after an examination, announced that the car had been blown up by strikers, there was more confu sion, and the men prepared for an at-tack. This was the signal for more screams, and many of the passengers got off the car and braved the terrible downpour. No attack was made.

Senatorial Candida's Killed.

Oliver L. Stewart, the Huntingdon ounty Republican candidate for State enator in the Huntingdon and Franklin district, and secretary of the Laird Malleable Iron Works, of Huntingdon, will be taken to East Brady for identification.

The bank was entered between 1 o'clock and 3 o'clock, Saturday morning. The safe was used as a deposit vault by many business men. Their papers, all of the bank documents and the money, even to the pennics, were carried off. The robbers got more silat Harrisburg on the 28th instant.

A Great Oil Combine.

One of the largest oil combines in the West filed articles of incorporation at Cheyenne, Wyo., Tuesday, under the name of the Superior Oil Company, capital stock \$10,500,000. It is a consolidation of several companies operat-ing in Central Wyoming, in the vicin-ity of Douglas and Casper. The stockholders and trustees are oil men and fi-nanciers from Pittsburg, Philadelphia and Birmingham, N. Y

Large Sale of Coal Lands.

Six hundred acres of the Pittsburg eam of Youghiogheny river coal, held for nearly a year past by S. E. Frock and Cyrus Echard, of Connellsville, have just been sold to James Cochran's Sons, of Dawson, The company is composed of Henry T. Cochran, W. H. Cochran and A. J. Cochran. The price paid was a little over \$94,000. The coal lies in one tract on Cedar creek in Ros-traver township. Westmoreland county. It is on the Pittsburg, McKeesport & Youghiogheny railroad, but a branch of three miles will be built up Cedar creek to facilitate development and shipment of coal.

Army at a Stands'ill.

General A. W. Greely, chief of the ignal service of the army, spoke of the signal service of the army, spoke of the United States army as a military organization at the annual banquet of the Worcester, Mass. board of trade Wednesday. He declared that the army was a political organization, and that it had not advanced during a period of 50 years. If the system, which is now imperfect, is to be improved in future years it would be at the cost of tens of thousands of lives and millions in tensor. thousands of lives and millions in treas-

day shot and killed W. T. Bellinger, stenographer of this judicial district. In the House of Commons, London, Tuesday, Mr. Harbury, financial secretary of the treasury, said the cost of the war up to March 31, was £23,250,000.

GOOD FINANCIAL SHOWING.

The Government Has Saved \$6,664,456 By Refunding Bonds - National Bank Cir. culation Increasing.

Representative Brosius, of Pennsylania, chairman of the House committee on banking and currency made a statement that the refunding provisions of the new financial law are working out an achievement unparalleled in the his-tory of the world. He showed the fol-lowing figures of refunding from March 14, when the law went into operation, to May 1: Amount refunded, \$260,020,750; May 1: Amount refunded, \$250,020,750; saving in interest, \$12.690,225; premium paid, \$36,034,771; net saving, \$6,064,454.

The operation of legal tender redemption exhibits a highly satisfactory condition of public confidence in our government paper, and is a happy omen for the success of that branch of our monetary system in the future. The amount of United States paters redeemed in

of United States notes redeemed in gold out of the reserve fund since the new law went into operation is \$5,133,-Applications have been approved for 244 new National banks, with a capital of \$8,380,000. The total of applications on file for authority to organize National banks is 508 and the total of applications for the conversion of old banks into National banks 82. Mr. Brosius estimates \$121,788,858 as the amount of currency the National banks may issue in the near

IS 109 YEARS OLD.

Mrs. Susan McKeever of Mercer County, Pa., Celebrates the Anniversary of her Birth,

At Sharon, Pa., Mrs. Susan McKeever, better known as Grandma McKeev-er, celebrated her 100th birthday anni-versary Wednesday. She is the oldest woman in Mercer county and is believ-ed to be the oldest woman in the State. Time has plowed many wrinkles in her face and her hair is snow-white. Her brain is alert and active, her form erect, and her rather deep-set brown eyes can flash with determination or twinkle with

fun.

Mrs. McKeever has the distinction of having lived during the administration of every President of the United States, and if she lives to celebrate another birthday, and the prospects are fair for her seeing many more of them, she will have lived in three centuries. Mrs. McKeever was born in County Derry, Ireland, April 23, 1719. Her father was a farmer and he died at the age of 92 years. She married at 30 and came to America with her son James. After a short residence in New York and Philadelphia they crossed the mountains on mules and settled in Mercer

Roseberry Forecasted the Future Imperial Parliaments of Great Eritain.

Earl Carrington presided at a banquet given to the Australian Federation delegation at the National Liberal Club, London, Lord Kimberley, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman and most of the other Liberal leaders were present and

spoke.

The Earl of Rosebery spoke on "The Parliaments of the Empire." In the course of his speech he said:

"I anticipate, as a possibility of the mission of the delegates, such an increase of the imperial spirit throughout the empire as will lead to amalgamation of the House of Lords and the privy council as an imperial tribunal, leading ultimately to the constitution of an imperial Senate.

present chapter in British history will not conclude without a result worthy the sacrifices which all parts of the em-pire have made."

Sibley is Ousled. Democrats of the Twenty-seventh Congressional district have dumped Hon. Joseph C. Sibley. His alleged un-Democratic actions during the last session of Congress and his alleged support of M. S. Quay during the attempts to succeed himself as States senator are given as the cause

Turkey in no Haste to Pay.

A dispatch from Constantinople, Turkey, says: The porte has not replied to the American note regarding the indemnity claims. The ambassadors met yesterday and decid 1 to reply to the porte's note of April 29 regarding the increase of duties, as follows:

"The embassies note the porte's declaration that it does not intend to intro-

The embassics note the porte's declaration that it does not intend to introduce any unilateral measures and will hasten to inform their governments of this. The ambassadors have decided to make their consent to an increase, con-ditional on the removal of the abuses in the matter of chemical analysis, the suppression of warehouse duties and the abolition of the stipulation whereby articles not specified in the tariffs may be interdicted, confiscated or destroyed The ambassadors have decided to make the payment of indemnities to foreign ers a separate question, and to deal therewith at a later date."

Kansas Corn for Indir.

The Kansas India relief committee has nstructed Secretary Anderson to order the purchase of 20,000 bushels of corn in New York, to be loaded in a relief ship which sails next week for Bom-bay. Treasurer Coburn's receipts to date are \$10,272.

CABLE FLASHES.

The London lord mayor's fund for the Canada fire sufferers now amounts to £7,200.

The German emperor has cabled an expression of sympathy and good wishes to President Campos Salles, of Brazil, which country is celebrating the 400th anniversary of its discovery by De Cabral.