BIG STEEL COMBINE COMPLETED

GIGANTIC SCHEME.

The Conclusive Session Was Held Saturday. The Name is the "United States Consolidated Stee! Company."

J. Pierpont Morgan, of New York has just completed the project by which another and the greatest consolidation of capital is added to the notable list of those of the last ten years. The steel trust plan was consummated at a conference in his office late Saturday af-

An official announcement says that the Carnegie Company, the Federal Steel Company, the National Tube Company, the American Steel & Wire Company, the American Timplate Com-pany, the National Steel Company, the American Steel Hoon Company and the American Sheet Steel Company are to be combined into one concern, which is to issue stock in return for theirs, the saluation having been determined upon the assets and earning power of the re-spective corporations thus merged. The new trust, it is understood, will

be called the United States Consolidated Steel Company. It will have a total capitalization of \$1,100,000,000. Of this \$30,000,000 will be 5 per cent. general mortgage bonds, \$300,000,000 will be 7 per cent, stock and \$400,000,000 will be common stock

COERS DEFEATED.

DeWet Routed by Col. Plumer's Column and Lozes His Artillery.

Gen. DeWet was routed Saturday by Col. Plumer, with whom were Col-Henriker, Craddock, Jeffreys and Gab-This success was preceded by a series of desperate attempts on the part

of the Boers to escape from the water of the Boers to escape from the water belt of the Orange and the Brake rivers. Gen. French reports from Pier Re-tief that the result of the columns sweeping the country east is that the Boers are retreating in scattered and disorganized parties to the number of some 5,005 in front of him. Amsterday and Piet Retief have been occupied and there troops are protecting the Swazi frontier. French will push on, but is much hampered by the continuous

heavy rains. Summary of total losses inflicted up-on the enemy up to February 16: Two hundred and ninety-two Boers known to have been killed and wounded in ac-tion, 56 taken prisoners, 183 surrendered, one 15-pounder gun, 462 risles, 160,-poo rounds of small ammunition, 3,500 horses, 70 miles, 3,530 trek oxen, 18,700 cattle, 155,400 sheep and 1,070 wagons and carts captured. Our casualties are: Five officers and 41 men killed, and four cificers and 108 men wounded.

LEIT TO SAVAGES' MERCY.

Kilchener Terned Couth African Homes Gyer to Ferccious Blacks.

London telegrams say: The British war office meets with silence Gen. De-Wet's charge that Kitchener has been conducting a war of extermination. The fact was known before DeWet told it, Not only have the Boer women and children been left to the mercy of the savaire blacks, but the Basutos have been incited to attack the defenseless homes and destroy or carry off their in-

The English have been content to kill or deport the men, leaving it for the blacks to finish the work on the women and children, and as all weapons are seized when the English can get hold of them, the women are utterly without means of fighting off the savages when they come.

Americans can get an idea of the situation by imagining the male settlers of a frontier territory carried off as prisoners, and the women and children left in their homes without means of defense with hordes of bloodthirsty Indians nearby.

Chwana Commits Suicide

Pekin advices assert that the empress dowager has already caused the decapitation of Yu-Hsien, and that under imperial orders, Prince Chwang has committed suicide. Li Hung Chang has assured the foreign envoys that the sentence of the imperial court on these two men has been carried out in accordance with the demand of the powers.

TO TAKE OKLAHOMA LAND.

Chicago G. A. R. Men Forming a Club to go to the Territory.

A number of Civil war veterans of Chicago, Ill., are discussing the advis-ability of organizing a club to go to Oklahoma in search of homesteads next summer when President McKinley is sues a proclamation declaring 2.500,000 acres of good farming land open for settlement. George S. Cragg, of U. S. Grant post No. 28, is one of the leaders in the movement, and says that a score or more of veterans have expressed a desire to join in the scramble for land

next August.

The old soldiers will have an advantage over other citizens. Under the law a man must live on the government preserve for five years before he owns it. With old soldiers the length of time they served in the war is deducted from the five years. Each man who from the five years. Each man who stakes off a claim is limited to 160 acres under the law.

Col. Robert L. Pollack Dead.

Col. Robert L. Pollock, U. S. A., retired, died Sunday at Cornelius, Ore. in his 82d year. He was a veteran of the Mexican and Civil wars and of many Indian campaigns in the West.

Five Were Cr: mated.

At Versailles, Ind., George James and his four daughters. Georgia, 17; Theresa, 15; Nora, 12, and Electa, 7, were burned to death in a fire that de-stroyed their home. Edward James, a son 14 years old, escaped.

Fatal Gas House Explosion. By an explosion in one of the buildings at the city gas works at Richmond one man was killed, one end of the victims of the mine disaster at Cumberland, B. C., proceeds slowly, the building was blown out and six men were injured, but none seriously.

LATEST NEWS NOTES.

It has been decided to open the gates of the Pan-American exposition on Sun

The payment of secret premiums i said to be the cause of Russia's tariff reprisals.

Twelve persons are dead as a result of the railway disaster near Borden-town, N. J.

At Woodruff. Wis., fire destroyed all he business houses with the exception of one saloon. Americans living in London will as-ist in raising funds for Queen Vic-

oria's memorial. At Mena, Ark., Peter Berryman, colored, was taken from the city jail and

anged by a mob. Fire in the business portion of At-

Ga., destroyed property valued at nearly \$500,000. Japan, provoked by Russian occupa on of Manchuria, may compel conces-

ions or go to war. The Coplay Cement Company, of Al-entown, Pa., sold out to a New York yndicate for over \$1,000,000.

Negotiations for the purchase of the Danish West India islands by the United States are still in progress.

The first snow in Mississippi in two cars began Friday. Similar news omes from Georgia and Texas.

A contribution of a quarter of a mil-lion dollars by John D. Rockefeller to Brown University has been announced

The American government is urging reply from British government amendments to Hay-Pauncefote treat; In a quarrel at Ondurman, Egypt, beween soldiers of two Soudanese regi-ments five were killed and 20 wounded

Consul General Wildman lost his life in the Rio de Janeiro disaster while waiting for treasure he had in the ship'

It is thought the British government will establish tariff for revenue to raise money to pay the expenses of the Boer

The big steel combine is to be known as the United States Consolidated Steel Company, with a capital of \$1,100,000,-

There has been a rich strike on Le oine creek, 15 miles from Dawson, where quartz assaying \$84 a ton was

The question of an extra session of congress will depend largely upon the conduct this week of four filibustering

General Cailles, of Manila, has isand a proclamation offering ten Mex-

Brooding over a scolding from his ather, Janes Tallison, a sensitive boy of 14, tried to kill himself at his home, Brooklyn

Supt. Dillingham, of the New York health department, urges the people of the city to be vaccinated, as smallpox The arrangement whereby farming im

plements may be imported into Turkey ree of duty has been renewed for anther decade.

The Thirty-seventh infantry, the first of the volunteer regiments to return from the Philippines, was mustered out

at San Francisco. The Columbus (O.) Anti-Saloon league proposes to bring suit against saloons on the ground that they are public nuisances.

There is scarcely a city of 8,000 population or over in Indiana that has not sent to Andrew Carnegie its petition for a public library gift.

The salary of every telegrapher on the Big Four railroad has been advanc-ed 12½ per cent., a total increase of about \$100,000 a year.

Mes Emmons Chicago university the Chicago institute on pedagogy, representing an endowment of \$2,000,000. Gen. MacArthur's reception at

Philippine city was extremely cordial. Important arrests of insurgent sympathizers have been made, Senor Cisneros, delegate to Cuba

constitutional convention, refuses to sign the document, and predicts war with the United States.

It is believed in Germany that Rus sia's real tariff war will be with that country, and that the present one with America is merely temporary. Three persons were killed and several injured at Goshen, Ind., by the

Wabash westbound passenger train running into a sleigh filled with people. President Stevn and Gen. DeWet, in

behali of fighting burghers, issue a proclamation in which British soldiers are charged with all manner of crime, At Rochester, N. Y., the Genessee National Savings and Loan Association

went into the hands of a receiver. Lia-bilities of \$200,000 are double the asstreet car, a negro swallowed a piece of tobacco. He became very ill, and died upon being removed to the hos-

The Shamokin (Pa.) silk mill, employing 250 operatives, has been closed down by the owners for an indefinite period because the employes formed a

A thief entered the St. John Evan-gelical Roman Catholic Slovak church at New Haven, Pa., and stripped it of everything valuable, robbing the poor

Trouble has been caused in Ripley county, Indiana, by a club formed by young women who agreed not to assowith young men who drink or smoke.

The William H. Crocker expedition from the Lick observatory to observe in Sumatra the total eclipse of the sun May 17, sailed from San Francisco

The German government will soon send to this country an expert to ex-amine American agricultural machines with a view to their introduction into

MRS. NATION WANTS HER LIBERTY.

THREATENS THE JUDGE.

Writes the Court to "Quit Fooling" and Release Her-Letter Ignored-Other Messages Reach Judge Hazen.

Mrs. Carrie Nation, tiring of jail life. has written Judge Hazen a letter de manding release,

"I want you to quit your fooling, she writes, "and let me out of here. you cause me to miss my engagements I won't feel like a ministering angel unto you. It is time for you to recover yourself before the devil, your master, makes a clean sweep with you into h-You know you are persecuting one of God's children, who loves you for Jesus's sake. Let me out that I may go about my business of saving such poor deviis as you. Write or come to see me right

Judge Hazen has ignored the letter lacing it in the waste basket with dus of others received on the subject from different parts of the country Some of these letters threaten the judge One from Bunker Hill, Kas., says committee of 50 will administer a coat of tar and feathers to him if Mrs. Naton is not released at once, and another from a woman in Douglass. Mich., says: "We now propose if Mrs. Nation is held longer to raise the greatest army of women the world has ever known and wipe men out of existence. It is our intention to begin with you,"

TEN WERE KILLED.

Bad Railroad Collision in New Jersey-Fire Added to the Horror.

One of the worst collisions in history of the Amboy division of the Pennsylvania railroad occurred Thursday evening at Ruslings siding, near Bordentown, and about eight miles south of Trenton. N. J. The "Nellie Bly" express from New York for Atlantic City collided with passenger train No. 330, running from Canaden to Trenton. The number of dead so far as known is ten and the number of injur-ed upward of 25.

Most of the injured are Italians who

were riding in the smoking car of the express train. They were being taken to Atlantic City to do construction work

for the railroad company.

The scene at the wreck is described by those who were present as horrify-ing. The two trains collided at full speed and both engines were complete-ly demolished. The forward car of each train, in both instances a combination baggage and smoker, was entirely demolished also, and to add to the horcarriors are to add to the Bor-ror the wreckage took fire. The second car of the "Nellie Bly" turned over on its side and the passengers had to climb out through the windows.

COMPROMISE AT PEKIN.

Foreign Ministers and Chinese Officials Finally Reach an Agreement.

Illinois Legislature adopted a resolu-tion to investigate Dowie's Zionist bank, but the latter says he will resist Chinese plenipotentiaries, Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang. The envoys proand Li Hung Chang. The envoys pro-pose to permit the court to commute the sentences of decapitation in the cases of Prince Tuan, Duke Lan and Gen. Tung Fu Hsiang to life imprison-ment, and will agree to the following punishments: Prince Chwang to be strangled, Yu Hsien to be decapitated, Chao Shu Chiao and Ying Nien to be permitted to strangle themselves, and permitted to strangle themselves and Chi Hsin and Hsu Cheng Wu to be beheaded in Pekin. If the court advances no new obstacle, the negotiations on the

first point of the demands of the powers may be considered closed.

This agreement removes the excuse for Count von Waldersee's projected military expedition into the interior.

The foreign ministers think the gravity of the situaton over, but it is expected that difficulties will arise when some of the governments send their indemnity

AN IMPORTANT ARREST.

For Aiding the Filipino Rebels a French Sub-Ject Comes to Griet.

At Pagsanjan province of Laguna, Lieutenant Vaughan, of the Thirty-seventh infantry, arrested Fernando Rustan, general agent of the Tabaca-laria Company, on the charge of having aided the insurpents.

Rustan is a French subject and a close friend of the insurgent General Cailles, and was to a certain extent associated with W. D. Carman, the American contractor, who was recently taken into at Havana with a view to the creation of custody charged with having furnished a joint committee for the revision of the

supplies to the insurgents.
It has also been learned that Rustan furnished the insurgents with supplies, information concerning the American troops and their movement as well as with money. He dealt directly with the rebel General Cailles, who has been op-While riding on a Washington, D. C., erating continually in the district east of Manila. Mr. Webb, the bookkeeper of the Philippine Trading Company, has made a partial confession to the effect that certain Belgians residing in Manila and the Bay Lake district were impor-cated in the plot to kill Captain Jones, commanding the American troops sta-

Drowned Her Six Children.

Mrs. Rose Wurzer, a widow, in a fit of insanity, drowned her six children, aged from 4 to 12 years, at Uniontown, Wash. Two were boys and four girls. She threw them into a well 30 feet deep containing two feet of water, then jumped in herself and held the heads of the children beneath the surface until all were drowned. Mrs. Wurzer was found alive in the well.

Miners Drowned by Flood.

As a result of the giving away of a wall the Asylum mines at Tuscalossa, Ala., were flooded and 30 negro miners are now entombed in ten feet of water, it is thought, with little prospect of being rescued.

Two Costly Fires.

The Buckeye hosiery mills at Dresden, Muskingum county, O., were entirely destroyed by fire Wednesday. The mills were owned by Messrs. McGov-ern and Prettyman. Loss. 26,000.

CONGRESSIONAL NOTES.

Exposition Measure Passed.

The bill to authorize the holding of the international exposition in celebration of the centennial anniversary of the Louisiana purchase at St. Louis in 1903, and appropriating \$5,000,000 therefor, passed the House Monday under suspension of the rules by a vote of 191

sundry civil appropriation bill was taken up and it was figured that the appropriations would total \$694,118,595, exclusive of the sinking fund requirement of \$53,000,000, against \$657,150,862

ment of \$53,000,000, against \$037,150,802 for the current year.

Mr. Cannon showed that the increase in the army bill was \$3,627,653; in the naval bill, \$13,508,057; in the postoffice bill, \$22-242,701, a total of \$49,492.871. The sundry civil bill is reduced \$5,615,651 and permanent, appropriations are cut \$8,354,000. The government has saved \$0,400,000 in interest on the public debt by the refunding bill of last seems. lic debt by the refunding bill of last ses-sion, and deficiency appropriations will be reduced \$2,500,000.

In the Senate the postoffice appropria-tion bill, carrying \$124,308,088, was tak-en up, but no action taken.

Reject Conference Report.

By the emphatic vote of 18 to 42, the Senate Tuesday rejected the conference report on the military academy appro-priation bill. This action came at the conclusion of a spirited debate on the provisions against hazing inserted in the report by the conference committee

of the two branches of Congress.

The House spent the day on the sundry civil appropriation bill. The feature of the day was the debate on the question of national irrigation of arid lands in the west, which came up inci-dentally. Mr. Cannon reported the last of the general appropriation bills, the of the ger deficiency.

Civit Appropriation Bill.

The House finally passed the sandry ivil appropriation bill Wednesday and

civil appropriation bill Wednesday and entered upon consideration of the general deficiency, the last of the general appropriation bills.

The Senate spent the day on the postoffice appropriation bill. The amendment of Mr. Butler, of North Carolina, proposing a reduction of about 9 per cent, in the pay for railway postal services, was defeated, 18 to 51. A sharp controvers on the meaning time. controversy on the pneumatic time question was precipitated by an amendment offered by Mr. Mason extending that service to Chicago, and one by Mr. Vest extending it to St. Louis.

Claim and Pension Bills Pass.

Two of the great supply bills of the and the great supply bits of the government, the postoffice and the diplomatic and consular appropriation bills, were passed by the Senate Friday. Early in the day Washington's farewell address, in accordance with a custom of the Senate on Washington's birthday, were added to the senate of the Senate of Washington's birthday, were added to the senate of the Senate birthday, was read, the reader being Senator Bacon, of Georgia.

The House devoted the day to odds and ends of legislation. Under an arrangement entered into, a large num-ber of these smaller bills, in which ber of these smaller bills, in which members are individually interested, were passed. Twenty-time claim bills and 139 pension bills were passed. Among the latter was the Senate bill to pension the widow of the late Gen, Henry W. Lawton, who was killed in the Philippines. As the bill passed the Senate it carried Stee Senate. Senate it carried \$100 a month. The House cut the amount down to \$50 cn the representation that Mrs. Lawton enjoyed a comfortable income.

AT THE NATIONAL CAPITOL.

Senator Depew reported favorably from the committee on expositions the House bill for the Louisiana purchase exposition at St. Louis. Capt. Nehemiah M. Dyer, who com-

manded the cruiser Baltimore during the battle of Manila bay, has been re-More than 1.000 sailors and marines, the biggest contingent the payy has had

in Washington since the civil war, will march in the inaugural parade. George D. Gear, who was appointed judge in the circuit court of Hawaii, is the man who preferred charges in the House against Delegate Wilcox of that

The Senate committee on military at fairs Wednesday completed its consideration of the army appropriation bill. The committee endorsed the action of its sub-committee in adding the Spoon-

er Philippine amendment to the bill, As a result of several conferences by tween the secretary of war and the Cu ban Economic commission, correspondence has been opened with Gen. Wood

tariff of Cuba. Gen. Thomas M. Anderson, senior vice commander of the Sons of the American Revolution, and other official of that organization, were before House committee on judiciary Tuesday advocating legislation against the dese-cration of the flag.

EDICT RECEIVED AT PEKIN.

Tung Will be Degraded, Tuan and Lan Exited and Others Die.

Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang have received telegraphic instructions from the court to notify the ministers of the powers that an edict has been issued regarding the punishment of Chinese oficials, confirmatory of the demands made by the ministers, as fol-

General Tung Fuh Sian, to be legraded and deprived of his rank; Prince Tuan and Duke Lan, to be disgraced and exiled: Prince Chuang, Ying Nien Chao Shu Chiao to commit suit and Chao Shu Chiao to commit suicide: Hsu Chan Yu, Yu Nsien and Ki Hain to be beheaded."

This is not exactly what the ministers demanded, but it is considered advisable to agree to it, as the demand for lives has been agreed to except in the case of General Tung Fuh Sian, whom the court is powerless to molest. There is a private understanding that his lie is a private understanding that his will be claimed when it is possible.

Farmer Boy Holds Up a Bank.

The private banking institution of F.

B. Venuum at Fosher, a small hamlet been discovered by Dr. Miller, of Mt. situated in the northwest part of Champaign county. Ill., was robbed by a lone highwayman who secured \$1.620. The private banking institution of F

STEAMER CRASHES ON THE ROCKS.

MANY PERSONS DROWNED.

Pacific Mail Ship Rio de Janerio Went to the Bottom Near San Francisco, and 122 Lives Were Lost.

The Pacific Mail steamer Rio de Jaciro ran on a hidden rock while en-Cal., early Friday morning in a dense fog. She sank a few minutes after striking. It is thought that about 122 persons were drowned most of whom were Chinese and Japanese, but it is impossible to ascertain the exact number, as Purser John Rooney, who had the passenger list and roster of the crew, is among the missing.

Stringtown is a characteristic oil village with rough wooden houses and a few good buildings. It is in the non-income neighborhood and "blind tigers" run wide open under the guise of drug stores and restaurants. There are mary gambling joints and dives, all of which are very distasteful to the native population, thought encouraged by the itinerant oil people.

Since Mrs. Nation beautiful.

bodies had been recovered, two white women, one white man and seven Chinese. The most prominent passenger on the steamer was Rounseville Wildman, United States consul at Hong Kong, who was accompanied by his wife and two children. It is thought all were drowned. The ship was in command of Pilot Frederick Jordan when she struck. He was rescued. Capt, William Ward went down with his yessel.

29; second cabin, 7; steerage, Chinese and Japanese, 58; white officers, 30;

lows: Passengers, 24; officers, 19; crew (Chinese), 36; steerage (Asiatic), 43. That the steamer sank almost imme-That the steamer sank almost imme-diately after striking is the report of a majority of those rescued. Some of the passengers say that she instantly lifted forward, and that in five minutes she went down, while others declare that she remained affout for half an hour after she struck. The wreck lies about three-fourths of a mile south of Fort Point and about 1,000 yards off the rocky shore. The smokestack and a portion of the upper works are visible.

TIME IS AT HAND.

Establishment of Civil Government in the Ph lippines Will Occur Scon.

According to the latest advices from the Philippine commission the time for the establishment of civil government in the Philippines is near at hand. It was stated at the war department that the cvil government will be established as soon as Judge Talt reports that the as soon as Juige 1 at reports that the conditions in the islands justify such action. It is generally understood that Judge Taft will be the first civil governor of the islands and that Gen. Chaffee will succeed Gen. MacArthur in command of the military forces to be retained there to assist in the maintenance of order and the enforcement of the laws. It is not likely, however, that there will be any immediate change in the military command or that there will be any material reduction in the mili tary strength for many months to come The Philippine commission has recom mended the adoption of a tariff system and its report probably will be made and its report probably will be made public in a few weeks in order that all interests effected by be fully informed and heard on the subject before the proposed tariff is adopted and put into ef-

CONCEDED TO AMERICA.

Powers Agree Not to Sieza any Territory

China Without Consent of All. At the instance of the United States the principle that no further individual concessions of territory in China shall be sought or obtained by any one power

out international assent. Hereafter if any nation seeks to se-cure room for its individual settlements or like privileges the application must be approved by the other powers before the Chinese government will be permit-ted to assent, even if it desired it so, Another important point of the agre-ment is that the present is not the most opportune time for asking new concessions. It cannot be determined whether the conclusion is retractive in

FINDLAND IN MOURNING.

Protest Against Russianization of the Country Reverses Senate's Order.

The people of Helsingforg, Finland, have shown that they are not reconciled to the new order of things by hostile demonstrations on the anniversary of the publication of the czar's manifesto to the Finnish senate, concerning the Russianizing of Finland. Black-sheets, displayed in the streets, were inscribed with the names of the senators who voted in favor of the proclamation manifesto, while at night the windows of the residences of the Finns were hung with black curtoins and the lights were extinguished. A deputation of women placed a mourning band on the monomear of Alexander II. Groups of me marched through the town, forced the Russian storekeepers and others to extinguish their lights, and made a demon-stration in front of certain senators

An address, signed by Sto women, was presented to the vice president of the senate, protesting against the transfer of the records of the Finnish state department to St. Petersburg. The transfer has been countermanded.

Girl Shocts Her Father.

Isaac Slater, of Fort Wayne, was shot and seriously wounded by his 15-year-old daughter. The girl shot to save her mother from being killed at the hands of the husband and father. The girl was arrested, but immediately re-leased.

New Smolling Proces.

TWO LIVES LOST

In an Effort to Rid Stringtown of Law-Break-ing Drug Stores and Speakeast:s. Further Trouble Feared.

Stringtown, an isolated oil town in Wetzel county, W. Va., was the scene Wednesday of a calamity in which five buildings were burned and two lives

Stringtown is a characteristic oil vil-

passenger list and roster of the crew, and oil people.

Is among the missing.

At five o'clock in the afternoon to bodies had been recovered, two white in Stringtown and threats to use fire senger and dynamite to eradicate the saloons senger and dance halls. Nitro-glycerin has Wild-been used before to break up speak-Hong casies in the oil country and quite suc-by his testfully. Recently the drug stores and beautiful times. cessfully. Recently "blind tigers" hav about when closed, have kept watchmen

all were drowned. The ship was in continued of Pilot Frederick Jordan when she struck. He was rescued. Capt. William Ward went down with his vessel.

As nearly as can be learned, there were 201 people on board the Rio de Janeiro, as follows: Cabin passengers, 201 second cabin, 7; steerage, Chinese and four more buildings.

It is said four men have been arrested, charged with murder and arson, and Asiatic crew. 77; total. 201.

The following have been accounted for: Rescued, 70; bodies at the morgue. 10; total. 80; missing. 112.

The saved number 79, classified as follows: Cabin passengers. 12; white officers. 11; steerage (Asiatic). 15; crew (Chinese). 41.

The lost number 122, classed as follows: Passengers. 22; classed as follows: Passengers. 21; officers. 10; crew (Chinese). 41.

The D. A. R. Society Has Gained 3.873

Members During the Year.

In the congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution, held * at Washington, D. C., the report of the rice president general showed that there are now 507 organized chapters and 77 unorganized chapters, an increase of 55 During the year 23.204 application blanks and 2.704 membership circulars have been issued. The secretary recommended that the chapters take care of the "real Daughters," of whom there are 500, and assist in their support. The register general stated that during the year 3.873 members had been admitted and during the last three years 12,739 women had become Daughters. The report of the treasurer showed that dur-ing 1900 the net receipts of the current fund were \$50,101. and expenditures \$34,361. The "Continental Hall fun!" is \$65,828. The reports showed New York State to have the largest membermembers. The most rapid growth was shown in some of the Western States.

Mrs. Samuel Verplanck, State regent from New York, was re-elected to thu position by an everwhelming majority, Mrs. Donald McLean getting a few

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED.

Indiana Woman Has Been Selected President

General of Revolution's Daughters. The wife of Senator Charles W. Fairanks, of Indiana, was elected president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The vote announced is as follows: Mrs. Fairbanks, 333: Mrs. Donald McLean, New York, 208: Mrs. Washington Roebling, New Jer-

Other officers were elected as fol-Other officers were elected as follows: Vice president general in charge of the organization of chapters, Mrs. Miranda B. Tulloch, District of Columbia; chaplain general, Mrs. W. A. Smoot. Virginia; registrar general, Miss Minnie Mickley, Petinsylvania; treasurer general, Mrs. G. B. Darwin District of Columbia; librarian general, Miss Julia T. McBlair; editor American Monthly Magazine, Mrs. Elroy M. Avery, Ohio; business manager of magazine, Miss Lillian Lockwood, District of Columbia; Mrs. E. W. Howard, Virginia, recording secretary general were elected; Mrs. William Lindsey, Kentucky; Mrs. George M. Sternberg, District of Columbia; Mrs. C. Waring, South Carolina; Mrs. M. T. Scott, Illinois; Mrs. A. A. Kendall, Maine; Mrs. J. R. Mellon, Pennsylvania; Mrs. N. H. Granger, Ohio; Mrs. Maior General Wheaton, District of Columbia; A. G. Foster, Washington.

Foster, Washington,

CABLE FLASHES. M. Paul Armand Silvestre, the French poet and critic, is dead. He was born April 18, 1837.

At Madrid. Spain, there has been a heavy fall of snow, the first in eight years, and traffic is difficult. There were three heavy earthquake backs at Arica, Chili, Wednesday, The

inhabitants were panic stricken Dr. T. D. Anderson, at Edinburgh. cotland, discovered a new star of great brilliancy in the constellation Persens.

Herr George Speyer, the Frankfort banker, has given 1,000,000 marks to the city to promote scientific instruction. The Datch National present for Queen Wilhelmina will take the form of a new crown, and £20,000 has been subscribed.

Cold and stormy weather prevails throughout Germany. At Leipsic the temperature was 13 degrees below Heavy snowstorms around Kharkoff.

capital of the government of that name in European Russia, have blockaded three railway lines. The Turkish minister at Madrid, Izzet Pacha, has again tendered his resignaowing to the non-

tion to the porte, or payment of his salary, Affmadu, in British East Africa, the headquarters of the Ogaden Somalis, has been occupied by a British punitive expedition, and the Ogadon sultan is

The session of the Austrian parliame was suspended in consequence of a between the Germans and Crechs bombarding the president war's of paper.

The official report of the fire gan February 5 in the petroleu at Baku, Russia, says that 12 perished and a number of othe pected to die from their bar

prisoner.