

FIRE IN BIG DEPARTMENT STORE

NINETEEN LIVES LOST

Many Were Trapped on Upper Floors and Jumped to Death on the Pavement.

Nineteen known dead and property loss amounting to upward of \$500,000 is the result of a fire that occurred in the business section of Philadelphia Friday. The number of injured is not definitely known, but fully a score of victims were treated at various hospitals. Police and firemen fought the flames until midnight. The ruins in search of bodies supposed to have been buried beneath the debris, as it was feared that others besides the known dead had lost their lives in the flames. The buildings destroyed were the eight-story structure 1219 and 1221 Market street, occupied by Hunt, Wilkinson & Co., upholsterers and furniture dealers, and three three-story buildings occupied by small merchants. The big furniture building extended back a half block to Commerce street, and was owned by Henry C. Lea. The list of known dead is as follows: Dorothy Kramer, Martha Baker, Margaret Hebben, Susan Cormy, Harry House, H. A. Sparrow, Charles E. Sparrow, Frederick Wittington, Charles Landis, Walter Steady, J. F. Armstrong, Mrs. Martha Banks, colored, Mrs. Mary Mitchell, colored, Margaret Grady, one unknown white woman and four unknown white men. At 10:20 a. m. the blaze broke forth in the building, and one hour later the sacrifice of life had been made and the immense loss of property had been accomplished. Such a disastrous fire attended with so great a loss of life in a brief period was never before known in Philadelphia. Men and women died a lingering, agonizing death in the presence of thousands of spectators, who were unable to assist. On the fire escape at one end of the building two men and one woman slowly roared to death. The origin of the fire is unknown. It is said that an explosion of naphtha or gasoline in the basement was the cause, but this is denied by Mr. Wilkinson.

TWO BILLION COMBINE.

The Belgian Glass Makers Have a Big Proposition.

A party of Belgian glass makers, bearing with them letters of endorsement from the Russian Minister of Finance, and several Belgian government officials, held a conference at Pittsburgh with James A. Chambers, President of the Window Glass Company, and laid before him plans for a combination of gigantic size, which they intend asking J. P. Morgan to finance. It is a two billion dollar scheme. The ambitious Belgians want to take the United States Steel Corporation, the glass combines of America and a group of other industrial combines into an international scheme to regulate prices and to prevent American rate cutting. The Belgians in conference represent \$400,000,000.

HELD CITIZENS AT BAY.

Four Armed Burglars Clean Out a Michigan Safe.

The citizens of Parkers Corners, Mich., were held at bay Thursday night by a gang of armed burglars while they robbed the safe in L. F. Peet's general store. The men dynamited the safe and the explosion which wrecked the store awfully terrified the citizens. There were four men in the gang and they successfully held the residents off with their revolvers until they had cleaned out the safe. Before they left town the robbers also cut telephone wires leaving the hamlet without communication.

ROBBERS GOT \$100,000.

Carried Off Papers Belonging to Baldwin University.

Robbers cracked the safe in the hardware store of Lawrence & Brightman, at Berea, O., Saturday. Six men are believed to have been engaged, and all escaped. They secured bonds, deeds, notes and mortgages valued at \$100,000, which were in charge of C. C. Brightman, junior member of the firm, who is treasurer of Baldwin University.

CRIDLER'S NEW OFFICE.

Will be European Expo Commissioner With Larger Pay.

Thomas W. Cridler, Third Assistant Secretary of State, has accepted the position of European Commissioner of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, a post which affords nearly double the compensation of his present position, and for which Mr. Cridler is fitted by reason of his wide acquaintance abroad and his connection with the Paris Exposition as successor to the late Moses P. Handy.

UNION VETERAN OFFICERS.

General Dyrenforth Re-Elected Commander-in-Chief.

Members of the Union Veterans Union concluded their sixteenth annual encampment at Chicago, the following officers being elected: Commander-in-chief, General Robert S. Dyrenforth, Washington; deputy commander-in-chief, General L. M. Langstaff, Dubuque, Ia.; second deputy commander-in-chief, General F. B. Hutchinson, Rochester, N. Y.; chief of staff, General John McElroy, Washington; adjutant general.

Mulattoes Cannot Inherit.

The Court of Common Pleas in Florence county, South Carolina, has decided that a marriage contracted in that State between a white man and a negro woman in 1867 was invalid, and that the children born of such marriage did not inherit an estate left to the lawful grandchildren of the parties.

Japanese Bonds Unsalable.

The attempt of Japan to dispose abroad of bonds of \$0,000,000 yen has failed. This, it is expected will seriously affect the position of the cabinet.

DESPERATE BANDIT ESCAPES

Cowboy Train Robber and Murderer Exchanged Shots With Pursuing Crowd—Killed Two Dogs.

A desperate man, O. C. Hanks, alias Jones, etc., cowboy, murderer and train robber, wanted in the Great Northern \$53,000 express robbery at Wagner, Mont., escaped from the clutches of the law at Nashville, Tenn., Sunday, and the chase after the fleeing desperado made up one of the most exciting days in the history of the Nashville police department. News of the sensational dash of the bandit spread throughout the city in a few minutes, and it was not long until many citizens, armed with pistols, rifles and shotguns, joined Chief of Police Curran and Sheriff Hurt and their men in an effort to apprehend the man, but he outwitted them all. Hanks appeared at the store of Newman & Co. and made a small purchase, presenting a \$20 bill, one of the stolen ones from the express train. Through a ruse City Detectives Dwyer and Dickens were called. They placed him under arrest, when the desperado drew a brace of 45-caliber Colt revolvers and stood them off. A desperate hand to hand fight ensued. The bandit ran into the street, stopped an ice wagon, driving three negroes from the seat, at the point of a pistol. Crossing the Cumberland river bridge, he threw the heavy team, breaking the leg of one horse. At this juncture he held up a negro driving a buggy and started for the country. After almost driving the horse to death, he mounted an animal he found in a field and rode away bareback. He ran through fences constricted of boards and barb wire. Finally the bandit abandoned the horse and ran through a strip of woods on foot. He escaped. Nearly all of the police and sheriff's force, along with hundreds of armed citizens, joined in the chase. At one time when the officers were close upon him, the bandit threw away a wallet containing \$1,940 of the stolen money. The pursuers found two of their bloodhounds shot to death a short distance apart, and the trace of the man was lost.

FLAT TOP COAL SOLD.

Ten Millions for 238,624 Acres in West Virginia.

Arrangements have been completed at Philadelphia for the transfer of 238,624 acres of land in West Virginia, owned by the Flat Top Land Company, to a syndicate representing the newly organized Pocahontas Coal and Coke Company, of New York. The land was transferred for a consideration of \$10,000,000. Five millions of the purchase money was paid through the Fourth Street National Bank. The other \$5,000,000 remains in New York, where it will be utilized in paying the stockholders of the Flat Top Land Company, many of whom live in that city. The Pocahontas Coal and Coke Company was incorporated under the laws of New Jersey, and it is stated the company was organized in the interest of the United States Steel Corporation. E. A. Gary, a director of the latter, is president of the company.

ROUNDING THEM UP.

Uncle Sam Gives Reconcentrado Order in Samar.

The people of the island of Samar in the Philippines have been notified to concentrate in the towns on pain of being considered public enemies and outlaws and treated accordingly. Intense feeling exists among the troops in Samar. If they can meet the enemy in the open there will be great retaliation. Many of them have seen and the others have heard of the barbarous treatment to which the dead American soldiers were subjected by the Filipinos recently.

MEETING YANKEE INVASION.

English Steel Works Forced to Give Westinghouse an Order.

With a view to lessening the cost of production and making an effort to resist the American invasion of rails and other steel products in the United Kingdom, the Cleveland (England) steel works of Bolckow, Vaughan & Co. are to be equipped with an extensive electrical power plant, the material for which will be manufactured at the Westinghouse works, Pittsburgh. As far as possible each machine in the plant will be operated by a separate motor. This contract, which is valued at over \$200,000, will be the second one hitherto secured for the equipment of a European steel plant with American electrical machinery. The only steel plant at present operated with electrical apparatus made in the United States is the Antwerp steel works, which are also installed with Westinghouse machinery.

HONOR FOR CROWNSHIELD.

Will Command the European Station at Time of King's Coronation.

Rear Admiral Crownschild will be rewarded for his work as the head of the navigation bureau during and since the war with Spain by being placed in command of the European station at the time of the coronation of King Edward, of England.

May Be Barred.

Earl Russell, who was convicted of bribery and sentenced to a term of six months in an English prison, is expected to sail for the United States within a short time. Upon his arrival here he will be confronted by immigration officers and examined as to whether or not he is a fit person to be admitted to this country.

The Czar Buying Up Grain.

The Czar has sent several officers of his household into the interior of Russia to buy all the available stocks of grain. The action is differently interpreted. By some it is taken to indicate a fear of international complications, while others see in it but a precaution against famine.

CABLE FLASHES.

El Pais asserts that Senor Sagasta will resign the Premiership of the Spanish Cabinet.

WILL ROUND UP THE SAMAR REBELS

MARINES TO CO-OPERATE.

Army and Navy Combining to Capture Them or Drive Them In to the Sea.

Fears of a general uprising in Samar are entertained, as it is stated that natives supposedly friendly are acting in secret combination with those in active rebellion. General Chaffee is going about the work of crushing the insurrection in a most thorough way. The fact that Admiral Rodgers states that nearly all the naval force is concentrated in patrolling Samar shows that the two branches of the service are united in the work. The fleet, which is composed of no less than 36 vessels of various classes, with the northern squadron now in Chinese waters, and composed of two monitors, one battleship and four cruisers to draw from, being drawn in a cordon around the island to prevent the shipment of arms and ammunition to the insurgents. Although the United States troops in the island are somewhat reduced in number by the transfer of service of some regiments, there is no reason to suppose that General Chaffee will be hampered by the lack of sufficient troops. With the co-operation of the navy and the assistance of the marines who, according to Admiral Rodgers, are to be landed, General Chaffee will likely have all the force he can use to advantage. The trouble in Samar, as throughout the Philippines, is something like that which confronted the British forces in South Africa. The fighting will be almost wholly on the part of the Filipinos, of a guerrilla nature, and with their knowledge of the country and ability to pass over long distances much more rapidly than our troops the latter are at a great disadvantage. The present activity of both army and navy in this matter is generally attributed to the direct orders of the President himself. His well-known energy, coupled with his earnest desire to have hostilities brought to a successful close in the Philippines, is believed to have led to instructions being given to the commanders of the forces there to leave nothing undone to end the insurrection.

A FIEND'S WORK.

Pours Oil on a Woman and Applies a Match.

While Mrs. S. B. Hillman, wife of the proprietor of the Beechwood Inn, Jenkintown, Pa., was on her way to a train Monday night she passed a lonely spot on the road, when a man jumped out and held her fast while he fixed a large piece of adhesive plaster over her mouth. After securing her pocketbook the man drew a large bottle and poured kerosene over her clothing. Pinioning her with his knee, the assailant applied a match to the oil. The man then ran away. Mrs. Hillman tried to tear off the plaster. She quickly thought of freeing the blazing skirt at the waist so that it fell to the ground and she stepped out of it. Dizzy and weak she staggered back toward her home and fell unconscious in front of the steps. Relatives found her there and restoratives were applied.

ENVOY FROM THE BOERS.

Gen. Pearson to Present Their Case to President Roosevelt.

General Samuel Pearson, an adjutant on the staff of General Botha, one of the Boer leaders, has arrived in Washington. He hopes to enlist the sympathies of the people of this country in behalf of the Boer men, women and children kept by the British in reconcentrado camps. There are 109,000 persons so situated, and during September the mortality among them approximated 2,400. Pearson will seek an interview with President Roosevelt, to acquaint him with the situation in South Africa.

MAY STRIKE FOR A VOTE.

Swedish Workmen Determined to Have Manhood Suffrage.

At a meeting of the Workmen's Association at Stockholm, Sweden, a vote was taken by ballot to decide if certain trades should strike to enforce the adoption of manhood suffrage. The majority of those present voted in favor of the strike and deposited one day's wages per member to form a strike fund. The final decision will be taken when the labor congress meets in January. Hopes are expressed that the reform bill now in preparation by the government will meet the ideas of that gathering.

WOMEN NEED NOT HOP.

Civil Service Commission Withdraws a Curious Requirement.

The Civil Service Commission has notified the Postmaster General that it has modified its regulations in accordance with his request to waive certain physical requirements of female applicants for positions as post-office clerks, including that making them hop on one foot for a distance of 12 feet.

RUPTURE WITH CHILE.

Argentine Minister May Withdraw from Santiago.

Chile has occupied the disputed territory in the Cordillera without waiting for Great Britain's award. The Argentine government is seeking explanations, and it is rumored that the Argentine minister in Santiago de Chile will be withdrawn.

Sunday Cars a Necessity.

At a habeas corpus hearing at Reading, Pa., Judge English discharged the United Traction Company's motormen and conductors charged with operating cars on Sunday. He declares that the running of cars on the Sabbath is a necessity.

Pan-American Closing Day.

The Board of Directors of the Pan-American Exposition have agreed that Saturday, November 2, at midnight, be fixed as the time of the final closing of the Exposition.

CHICAGO TO GET MONEY.

Decision Taking Capital Stock and Franchises—Removes Anarchy's Only Excuse.

The decision given Thursday by the Illinois Supreme Court in what is known as the teachers' tax case relates to 23 local corporations enjoying municipal franchises, including traction companies, gas companies and electric companies, whose total capital stock was estimated to be worth \$368,000,000, all of which has escaped taxation previously and was likely to be omitted again by the State board. Judge Thompson, in Springfield, May 2, commanded the board to assess these corporations, but the board neglected to make the assessment. Broad as it is, the sweep of this decision in itself its logical results are much greater, as the decision, it is said, really applies just as well to railroad corporations and every other corporation in the State, and may lead to the collection of back taxes. Attorney Greenacre, who acted for the Teachers' Federation in the courts, said: "The taxes of home owners will now be reduced from the 44 to the 40 percent annually confronting the county and city governments will no longer appear. By this decision anarchy in Illinois is deprived of its only excuse."

WOMAN SHOOTS THE FALLS.

School Teacher Accomplishes the Feat and Lives to Tell It.

Mrs. Annie Edson Taylor, 50 years old, went over Niagara Falls on the Canadian side Thursday and survived, a feat never before accomplished. She made the trip in a barrel. Not only did she survive but she escaped without a broken bone, her only apparent injuries being a scalp wound one and half inches long, a slight concussion of the brain, some shock to her nervous system, and bruises about the body. She was conscious when taken out of the barrel. Mrs. Taylor's trip covered a mile ride through the Canadian rapids before she reached the brink of the precipice. The barrel in which Mrs. Taylor made the journey is 4 1/2 feet high and about 3 feet in diameter. A leather harness and cushions inside protected her body. Air was secured through a rubber tube, which was secured through a small opening near the top of the barrel.

SOMERSET COAL COMBINE.

To Absorb All Operations but the Berwind-White Company.

The next few weeks will see the consolidation of all the big coal mining companies in Somerset county, Pa., that are shippers over the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. If the capitalization is to be arranged on an equality with the real valuation the figures can hardly fall short of \$10,000,000. The Berwind-White Coal Mining Company, with its extensive plants at Windber, and its two large mines soon to be opened near Fosterville, is the only company of any magnitude in Somerset county that will not be a part of the proposed consolidation. One object of the consolidation is to obtain better rates for transportation. Most of the coal from the Somerset fields goes to the seashore.

GREATEST ORDER FOR RAILS.

United States Steel Co. Will Make 100,000 Tons.

The amount of the Pennsylvania Railroad's requisition for steel rails for next year has been finally set, and the distribution to be made of the order decided upon. No less than 170,000 tons of steel rails will be contracted for, which is 20,000 tons more than last year, and the largest order of the kind ever given at one time by any company. This tonnage will be allotted as follows: To the United States Steel Corporation, 100,000 tons; to the Pennsylvania Steel Company and the Cambria Steel Company, 35,000 tons each. The price is \$28 a ton.

Excluded from Second Class Mail.

The Postoffice Department has issued notice to postmasters of a second list of serial publications barred from second class mail privileges. Back numbers and future issues of such publications must pay the third class rate of 1 cent for each two ounces or fraction, and postmasters have been instructed to cancel the certificates of second class entry in these cases.

Farmer Lost His Money.

Jacob Nicholson, a bachelor farmer of Upper Turkeyfoot township, Somerset county, Pa., had no faith in banks and kept his uninvested money, \$5,500, concealed about his home. A few days ago, when he went to look at his money, he was amazed to find that \$4,500 in bank notes, which he had placed in a tin box, had disappeared.

Spain Thinks She Was Cheated.

There was an animated debate in the Spanish Chamber of Deputies regarding the recent sale of the dry dock at Havana to the United States. Senor Silveira, the Conservative leader, blamed the Minister of Marine, who he said, had admitted being deceived by the purchaser.

Secretary Root on Duty.

Secretary Root has resumed his official duties at the War Department, after an absence of several weeks. His vacation was interrupted by the assassination of President McKinley, and the sorrow and excitement incident to that tragic affair so affected his health that he was compelled to seek rest.

Negro Burned at Stake.

The negro Bill Morris, who assaulted Mrs. John Ball, at Balltown, La., was burned at the stake Thursday. After being captured he made an effort to implicate others, but they proved their innocence.

Letters received from Panama say the Colombian rebels met bravely in a battle near there October 15.

TAKING COUNSEL WITH THE CABINET

OUTLINING THE MESSAGE

President Roosevelt Also Called in National Leaders for Consultation—Reducing Revenue.

President Roosevelt is at work on his message to Congress, and is evidently endeavoring to fully inform himself with regard to all public questions. It is stated that he is putting the Cabinet officers through a very thorough course of examination as to the condition of affairs in their respective departments, and he is also continuing to send for leading members of both branches of Congress, that they may give him the benefit of their views and experience in National matters. Senator Aldrich, of Rhode Island, and Senator Allison, of Iowa, chairmen of the important committees on Finance and Appropriations are the latest to be called in consultation. It is said that Mr. Roosevelt will not devote much space to a discussion of finance and currency in his forthcoming message, believing that those matters have been pretty well settled by recent legislation, and that the country will get along better without any further agitation of the subject at present. The condition of the Treasury is not such as to require the President to make any radical suggestions. The cash balance Friday amounted to over \$169,000,000, with gold to the amount of over \$40,000,000, including the \$150,000,000 reserve. The surplus of receipts over expenditures for this month is \$4,657,374, and for this far in the fiscal year \$23,334,440. Reductions in revenues, the President may recommend. Of the questions on which President McKinley dwelt with considerable length last year, one, that pertaining to China, has been largely eliminated from consideration by the negotiations which have been carried on at Peking. One of the most interesting questions which the President is expected to discuss is that of reciprocity.

REPORTS CONFLICT.

Miss Stone's Capture Still Basis for Many Stories.

The conflicting stories from Bulgaria about Miss Stone's whereabouts continue. It is said she has been located at Jakodis, in Turkey, two hours' journey from the Bulgarian frontier. It is also reported that Mme. Talika, her companion, is dead. Missionaries will now be sent into the interior, as the searches hitherto have waited on the outskirts expecting to hear from the brigands. The recriminations between Turkey and Bulgaria continue. The Sultan is again engaged with conniving at the abduction in revenge for being made to pay the United States claims. It is said she was captured by Turkish cavalry.

CHANGES ON THE B. & O.

Woodford General Superintendent of Pittsburgh Division.

Official announcement has been made at the Baltimore and Ohio general offices of the resignation of D. F. Maroney as general superintendent of the Pittsburgh division and the appointment of W. R. Woodford, vice president and general manager of the Cleveland, Lorain and Wheeling Railroad, to succeed him. Mr. Woodford will remove his headquarters to Pittsburgh and retain his jurisdiction over the Cleveland, Lorain and Wheeling Railroad.

CONGRESS OPENS.

Pan-American Delegates Assemble at the City of Mexico.

The Pan-American Congress was opened Tuesday at Mexico City by Hon. Ignacio Mariscal, Minister of Foreign Relations, who referred to the foreign congress held 11 years ago in Washington, as the beginning of the era of good feeling between the three Americas. The value of such assemblages was not to be measured by immediate results. They were part of the evolution of the times. There could be no doubt, he said, of the friendly feeling for the United States, which pervaded the continent. Much of this was due to the work of the bureau at Washington.

ISLANDERS ATTACK CO. E.

Ten Americans Killed, While Four Score Victims Lie Dead.

Five hundred bolomen attacked a detachment of 46 men of the Ninth Infantry at Bangajan, on the Gandara river, island of Samar, in the Philippines, Friday, killing ten and wounding six. The remainder of the company arrived on the scene in time to prevent further slaughter, and routed the enemy, killing over a hundred of them. As soon as the news was received at Cebu, two gunboats were dispatched, General Smith going in person to the scene.

Woman Kills Herself.

With the photograph of her husband on the pillow, a 38-caliber revolver with two empty chambers, Mrs. David Grealey, of York, Pa., lay on the bed in a dying condition with two bullet holes in her left breast, when Letter Carrier David Grealey, her husband, went home to dinner Thursday.

Investigating Hard Times.

The Prussian cabinet has resolved to investigate through the various provincial governors regarding the number of persons out of employment, the causes of recent industrial embarrassment and the measures necessary to improve conditions.

Charges Against a Plow Company.

Samuel S. Perly, proprietor of the Coquillere Wagon Works, at South Bend, Ind., has filed a petition for a receiver for the Bissell Plow Company. He alleges that E. C. Westervelt has been allowed a salary of \$30,000 as president of the company, and that the company has paid him an unaided salary of 5 per cent amount to \$15,000.

STIRRED UP BY BULLER

The General's Resignation Asked by the King and Demanded by Brodrick.

Leaders of the Liberal organization in England deny that any meeting of the Liberal leaders has been called to consider the advisability of issuing a manifesto to the country calling on the government to resign or call a special session of Parliament to discuss the Boer war and the dismissal of General Buller for admitting that he had advised General White to retreat from Ladysmith. The Liberal leaders concluded that the War Office acted correctly in retiring General Buller, though this does not prevent criticism of that officer's previous appointment to the command of the First army corps. A great meeting of sympathy in Hyde Park is under consideration, and there is talk of the presentation to the General of a sword of honor, as a national tribute. In the west of England, where Buller's home is situated, the feeling runs high. Frequent meetings have been held to denounce the government's action. General Buller, after delivering the speech which resulted in his retirement, received a personal letter from King Edward, disapproving of his utterances and clearly intimating that His Majesty would be glad if General Buller would resign. Then the War Secretary, Mr. Brodrick, summoned General Buller and demanded his resignation. It was a stormy interview, ending in Buller's flat refusal to resign. He did not believe that the War Office would venture to retract him. After the interview Mr. Brodrick went to King Edward, in Scotland, and the result of his visit was the action which stirred up the country. Walter Long, president of the local government board, in a speech at Liverpool, said that the government would defend General Buller's appointment to command at Mafeking on the grounds of policy and justice. His dismissal was solely because his recent speech was subversive to military discipline.

Chile Prepares for War.

The Chilean government announces the mobilizing of the army for the end of November, ostensibly for maneuvers, says a dispatch from Buenos Ayres. The Argentine fleet has been ordered to be provisioned and coaled, and the sailors are working day and night. Three thousand manifestants have arrived.

LATEST NEWS NOTES.

Sunday was the forty-third anniversary of the birth of President Roosevelt.

The Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York sailed from St. Johns, N. F. for England.

President Roosevelt has appointed Ethelbert D. Watts, of Pennsylvania, to be Consul at Prague, Austria.

A large number of counterfeit silver dollars, bearing the dates of 1887, 1888 and 1889, are in circulation.

A daughter was born in London to the Duchess of Manchester, formerly Helen Zimmerman, of Cincinnati.

James Mace, Wyman Marvin and Mrs. M. Freeland died from injuries received in a railway wreck at Exline, Ia.

At Beechwood, Wis., Andrew Israel son, shot and killed his wife and her father and sister and committed suicide.

While driving over a grade crossing at Oakwood, Wisconsin, Mary Hoazel Joe Paulfiski and Annie Carter were killed.

Mrs. Mary Belle Witmer, charged with killing her sister, Mrs. Anna Pugh, was placed on trial at Dayton, O., Tuesday.

Because his wife refused to permit him to see their little children, James Kennedy murdered her and killed him self in Chicago.

General Horace Porter, the American ambassador, who recently visited Turkey on leave of absence, has returned to France.

Fireman Thomas Evers and Brake-man Thomas Holland were killed by the explosion of a Wabash Railroad locomotive at Boody, Ill.

Annie B. Horne, alias Clara Moore was shot and dangerously wounded at Norwich, Conn., by Jose Fernandez who then committed suicide.

James McDougal Hart, the artist for many years the vice president of the National Academy, is dead at his home in Brooklyn, N. Y., aged 73.

Negotiations have been opened between Great Britain, France, Russia and Austria to secure the independence of the island of Crete from Turkish rule.

A rich discovery of gold is said to have been made at Beulah, Col., 35 miles west of Pueblo, and to yield nearly \$2,000 a ton by free milling of the ore.

The Paris Temps says the sole topic for discussion on the bourse is the new French loan of 250,000,000 to 250,000,000 francs, secured by the Chinese annuities.

Rev. Edward Ellis, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Beham, Pa., has resigned his charge to accept a call to the congregation at Falls Church, Va.

The town of Delmar, on the border line between Delaware and Maryland, was nearly destroyed by fire, causing a loss of \$100,000 and making 250 people homeless.

Admiral Dewey resigned the presidency of the Metropolitan Club, Washington, owing to criticisms of decisions by himself and comrades in the Schley court.

Cadwalader Biddle, of the Pennsylvania State Board of Charities, has condemned the Mercer county jail and advised the jury to report favorably for a new institution.

Wolford Gwin, a 15-year-old boy of Moravia, five miles from New Castle, Pa., was terribly wounded through the head mistaken in the underbrush for a quail by a fellow hunter.

THE MARKET.

PITTSBURGH.

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| Do—No. 3..... | 82 83 |
| Do—No. 2 yellow, ear..... | 85 05 1/2 |
| Do—No. 2 yellow, shell..... | 83 63 1/2 |
| Mixed..... | 84 63 1/2 |
| Oats—No. 2 white..... | 47 1/2 42 1/2 |
| Do—No. 3 white..... | 40 40 1/2 |
| Do—No. 4 white..... | 40 40 1/2 |
| Flour—Winter patent..... | 3 70 3 80 |