

TEN MILLION FIRE AT PATERSON

IMMENSE HAVOC BY FLAMES.

A Day of Conflagration - Eleven Deaths in St. Louis - Church Consumed in Philadelphia.

Fires at various points throughout the country Sunday brought death to a number of persons and caused monetary losses which will aggregate many millions of dollars. The most serious conflagration was that at Paterson, N. J., which practically wiped out the business section of that city, entailing a property loss which is conservatively estimated at \$10,000,000. It was only after many hours of hard work that any portion of the city was saved. A statement issued by the Mayor declares that the city will be rebuilt and that no outside assistance is needed. Eleven persons were burned to death and a number of others seriously burned or otherwise injured in a fire which destroyed the Empire Hotel at St. Louis early Sunday morning. The fire found all the lodgers sound asleep and had gained sufficient headway to shut off all the avenues of escape except to two or three fortunate persons who were first to awaken. Nearly all who saved themselves did so in their night clothes. The Colored Protestant Episcopal Church of the Crucifixion, together with adjoining parish house, at Philadelphia, was destroyed; loss, \$20,000; and the two-story building of William Gray & Sons, stone contractors, were destroyed; loss, \$40,000. Fire also destroyed the plant of the Shalbold Manufacturing Company in Brooklyn, N. Y., entailing a loss of \$30,000. At East Peapack, N. J., in answering a fire alarm, the town's only fire engine, together with horses and driver, plunged over an embankment into a canal, both horses being lost and the driver injured. The Centenary Methodist Church at Lebanon, Pa., was burned; loss, \$5,000. The O'Keefe block at Carnegie, Pa., was destroyed; loss, \$25,000. George White was burned to death at Millville, N. C., and his wife, Pa., property loss, \$1,000. Two children of Dr. R. Berlinger suffocated during a fire in their home in New York, and Pier G. of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, at New York, together with a steam canal boat, were burned Sunday morning. The property damage reached a quarter of a million of dollars. And the business section of Elberton, Ga., was destroyed; loss \$100,000.

Proposes Tax on School Children.

J. R. Truxal, school director at Pleasant Unity, Westmoreland county, Pa., has started a movement to tax the parent or guardian of every child within the school age \$2 a year. The aim is to compel aliens, at present exempt from school tax, to contribute to the education of their children. He also proposes a law compelling every school director to pass an examination before being allowed to take office.

CAPITOL NOTES.

Admiral Sampson's condition was somewhat improved Friday. Secretary Root has chosen General S. M. B. Young, of Pittsburg, to be the first president of the new war college. Lieutenant General Miles has entered a protest to the Secretary of War against the selection of sites for army posts in the neighborhood of large cities. The authoritative statement is made at the White House that General Leonard Wood, governor general of Cuba, will not be called to account. Attorney General Knox Wednesday gave a preliminary hearing in the case of Judge Noyes, of the United States Court for the Nome district of Alaska. Governor Taft told the Senate Committee that the Philippine war was waged by the insurgents is a crime against civilization and against their own people. The value of merchandise imported into Cuba during the seven months ended July 31, 1901, was \$37,993,266, against \$29,252,908 for the same period of 1900, and \$34,054,967 in 1899. Senator Jones, of Arkansas, has introduced a bill increasing from \$8 to \$12 per month the pensions of Mexican War veterans who have reached the age of 70 years and over. The judiciary committee of the House reported favorably the bill for a national bureau of criminal identification in Washington, as advocated by the police chiefs of the country. Representative Newlands, of Nevada, introduced a joint resolution Wednesday inviting the republic of Cuba to become a Territory as a part of the United States, to ultimately become the State of Cuba. The second part of the report of the Industrial Commission renews its recommendations that promoters and organizers of industrial combines should be required to furnish full details of organization. The United States government is acting with Japan and Great Britain in resisting any action by Russia and China in the shape of a Manchurian treaty that would threaten the interests of the United States. President Roosevelt did not find Theodore, Jr., alarmingly ill with pneumonia, but the boy's condition was not sufficiently reassuring to warrant the President's immediate return to Washington. E. S. Theall, representing Stayton & Campbell, counsel for Rear Admiral Sampson, called at the White House Friday and filed with the president a brief in the Schley case. The movement for strong federal restriction of polygamy by means of an amendment to the constitution, has taken form again, and in response to many petitions and letters, the House committee on Judiciary Friday fixed February 25 for a hearing on the subject.

CONGRESSIONAL NOTES.

Oleomargarine Bill.

After brief discussion Tuesday the Senate passed the bill providing for a 25 per cent increase in the salaries of United States Judges. All amendments were voted down, including one to increase the salaries of cabinet officers from \$8,000 to \$12,500 a year. During the remainder of the day's session the urgent deficiency appropriation bill was under consideration, the Philippine tariff measure being laid aside temporarily. The House continued the discussion of the anti-oleomargarine bill Tuesday and is not likely to reach a vote before Thursday. Mr. Baes, Pennsylvania, spoke in favor of the bill. Mr. Grosvener, Ohio, speaking against it, warned the friends of the bill that the use of a wholesome food product could not be prevented by legislation.

Deficiency Bill.

After spending most of the day in a wrangle over the case of Judge Arthur H. Noyes, of the Alaska District Court, the Senate Wednesday passed the urgent deficiency appropriation bill. In the Senate executive session the discussion of the nomination of Benjamin Daniels to be marshal of Arizona was continued. It was said that the President had begun an examination for particulars, and had instructed Daniels not to enter on his duties until the charges could be investigated. There was some doubt as to the identity of Daniels with the Wyoming convict.

The House Wednesday agreed that general debate upon the anti-oleomargarine bill shall continue till Thursday afternoon, after which there will be one day of debate under the five-minute rule. The legislative and executive appropriation bill was reported from committee. It carries \$25,168,899, or about \$599,000 below the estimates. In the item increasing salaries 256 such increases are on account of rural free delivery. It is proposed to continue for another year the temporary employees in the treasury, war and postoffice departments. A general provision is made against paying compensation to ex-employees who are "incompetent or incapacitated."

The Sedition Laws.

The Senate Thursday was the arena of a four-hour debate on the Philippines. The sedition laws passed by the United States government in the Philippines were read. All the committee amendments to the Philippine tariff bill were adopted. Mr. Scott, of West Virginia, spoke in support of his resolution for the appointment of a commission of experts to examine the San Blas route and to report the cost of constructing an inter-oceanic canal by that route. The resolution was referred to the committee on inter-oceanic canals.

Pension Money.

The Senate Friday passed the pension appropriation bill with an amendment prohibiting the collection of any fee for aiding in securing the passage by Congress of any special pension bill. Mr. Pritchard, of North Carolina, offered an amendment, which was ruled out on a point of order, that a man who had served in the Confederate army, but subsequently had served in the Union army should have a pensionable status. The Senate adjourned to Monday.

Herb Doctor Falls Victim to Northern Enlightened Negroes.

Theodore Williams, a negro herb doctor, at Charleston, W. Va., was attacked by a mob at his own race Monday night, July 21, 1901, was shot to death. He was called to his door and the mob promptly began shooting. Williams returned the fire. Williams was killed. Tuesday morning Moses Allen was found with a bullet through his stomach and he died in the afternoon. He made an ante-mortem statement that he happened to be passing the place and was struck by a stray bullet. Williams came to West Virginia from Tennessee. He had, among superstitious negroes, a reputation as a conjuror, and this is supposed to be the cause of the mob's attack.

GIRL'S BODY FOUND.

San Francisco Murder Mystery Resembles Famous Durant Case. A mysterious murder resembling, in some of its features, the noted Durant case, is now puzzling the police, of San Francisco, Cal. The nude body of Nora Fuller, 16 years old, who disappeared from her home January 11, was found lying on a bed in the upstairs back room of an unfurnished house. The girl had been dead some time. She was either strangled or poisoned. John Bennett and C. B. Hawkins are believed to be the aliases of the man responsible for the girl's death. The theory hinges on either a quarrel or discovery.

Girl Goes 10,000 Miles to Wed.

Anna Troeller, of Akron, O., has started Tuesday to Sidney, Australia, 10,000 miles, there to meet and marry Joseph McLean, a steamship engineer running between Australia and New Zealand, whom she chanced to meet two years ago on an ocean voyage.

Old Landmark Burns Down.

Fire of an unknown origin Wednesday partially destroyed, with its contents, the historic New York Central freight house in Southwest street, Syracuse, N. Y.

AGREE ON OLD SCALE IN MINES.

CONCESSIONS MUTUAL.

Sub-Committee's Report is Accepted After a Stormy Session Over Each Item.

The joint conference of miners and operators of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, at Indianapolis, Ind., Friday, agreed upon a scale to prevail during the coming year throughout the bituminous field. The fight was waged bitterly on both sides, and the session was probably the stormiest in the history of the joint conference assembly. The session was secret, all the doors were guarded and none but delegates were admitted. By a final vote the miners accepted the report of the sub-committee. The wage scale of last year, which by the action of the miners will hold for the coming year, is in part as follows: For pick mining, 80 cents a ton in Pittsburgh, 80 cents a ton in the bituminous district of Indiana. Ninety cents a ton for the block district in Indiana. Forty-nine cents a ton for run of mine in bituminous district of Indiana and Danville, Ill. Fifty-seven and one-half cents a ton for Hocking Valley district. Fifty-one and three-fourths cents a ton for Pittsburgh district. The day wage scale is the same as last year. The exception that inter-mining differences will be taken up by both operators and miners for adjustment. When the report of the committee was read a future ensued, and if the vote had been taken at that time the strong strike sentiment existing would have been manifested by an overwhelming vote to reject the report. At least 20 miners were on their feet at one time, demanding recognition of the chair, but President Mitchell called them to order and said: "I believe it would be suicidal for you at this time precipitately to do that which must inevitably tie up the mines of the country and entail suffering upon you and hundreds of thousands of other people. If, after fully discussing this report, you desire to reject it and declare a strike, I wish to assure you your national officers will stand by your action and do all in their power to make your action good. But I beseech you to consider wisely before that which you will surely regret in the future. I believe it is best that this report be adopted. I am honestly and firmly of the opinion that it will be for your best interest to adopt this report that reaffirms last year's scale."

Blizzard Beats Record.

Trains Fast in Great Snow Drifts Around Corry. All travel was abandoned between Oil City and Brocton, on the Chautauque division of the Pennsylvania Railroad Sunday. The blizzard is the worst in history. All night train No. 3 lay in a huge drift at Summit, and Sunday morning food was carried to the imprisoned passengers. Two snow plows jumped the track at Sherman and the officials gave up hope of moving trains, and decided to run through trains from Brocton to Ash-tabula via the Lake Shore and forward to New Castle and Pittsburg. The Dunkirk division of the Erie, also the Dunkirk, Allegheny Valley and Pittsburg division of the Lake Shore were blocked and no trains moving. On the main line of the Erie travel was delayed.

AGENT DISAPPEARS.

Adams Express Company Loses \$3,000 in Mutilated Currency. Frank Fuller, the local agent for the Adams Express Company, left Hudson, O., Friday night, and his absence has given rise to suspicion. The company inspector, C. C. Davidson, of Alliance, checked up Fuller's books Thursday and pronounced them all right. Yesterday, after being notified of the agent's sudden disappearance, the same inspector went over the books again, but found no evidence of work done. Sunday when entrance to the safe was finally effected, it was discovered that \$3,000 in mutilated currency, entrusted to the company for transportation to the Treasury at Washington, was missing.

Will Number Their Ballots.

Despite the point raised by two of Pittsburg's attorneys to the effect that under the recent amendment to the constitution ballots are not to be numbered, the Philadelphia County Commissioners will go ahead with the work of printing a diagonal folding line on each ballot and gumming the edge, as has been the custom heretofore.

Girl Student Commits Suicide.

Belinda Riordan, aged 30, of Troy, N. Y., a student in the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, was found dead Tuesday in her boarding house in Philadelphia, Pa. Over the heart were three gashes inflicted by a palette knife and beside the body lay a phial of carbolic acid.

Wounded Burglar Dead.

Michael Melville, the burglar, who was shot two weeks ago at Duryea, near Wilkesbarre, Pa., while breaking into the house of Isaac Evans, died Friday.

Two Killed by Falling Ore.

William Hicks and Wesley Murphy were caught in a fall of frozen iron ore in the stock house of the Belleaire, O., Steel Works. Murphy was instantly killed and Hicks so badly crushed that he died.

Must Be Vaccinated.

The board of health of Oil City, Pa., has issued orders that all school children who have not been vaccinated must be excluded from the public schools. Hundreds of children were turned away from the school doors.

NEW GUNS FOR SOLDIERS.

National Guard of Pennsylvania May Be Equipped With Krag Jorgenson Rifles.

William F. Richardson, quartermaster general of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, on the staff of Major General Charles Miller, and keeper of the State arsenal at Harrisburg, who has been acting for Brigadier General Thomas J. Stewart, adjutant general of Pennsylvania, since the latter met with an accident last April and broke his leg, said Thursday: "There will be no regimental or brigade camps in Pennsylvania this year, but a division one. I have already visited eight sites and will interest five more before any choice is made. The National Guard will very likely be equipped with Krag-Jorgenson rifles before the next camp. This matter has been about definitely settled by the Congressional committee. In order that the troops of the different States may all have the same gun. Personally, I prefer the 45-caliber rifle, and think it is the best gun for National Guard purposes." Mr. Richardson would not say that the Second brigade would which met in Pittsburg a few weeks ago, had recommended any removal in the Fourteenth regiment, N. G. P.

LATEST NEWS NOTES.

Sixteen people were attacked by a mad dog at Greenville, Pa. Charles M. Schwab has established a dairy farm near Loretta, Pa. The Secretary of War rules that Army men in the Philippines can hold two offices.

Frederick Shultz was hanged at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., for the murder of Mrs. Craig.

The Vendome Hotel at Minneapolis, Minn., valued at \$200,000, was destroyed by fire Friday. John Dorsen was killed and his wife seriously injured by an explosion of natural gas at Lafayette, Ind. Rumor says the Venezuela revolutionary cruiser Libertador was sunk by a government steamer Monday.

The University statement building in Chicago was burned out, but all the many tenants escaped; loss, \$160,000.

Hall Ross, who killed Seldon Shants in a street duel at Huntington, W. Va., was acquitted Friday at Charles town. The Executive Committee of the "Justice" party has called a National convention to meet in Washington on April 19. D. R. O'Connell and Alphonso Flarieta were killed by an explosion of powder at the Japan mine tunnel, Telluride, Col. Chicago physicians grafted 215 square inches of skin on the body of Marian Weaver, aged 5, who was injured by burns.

The pope was present at a mass in Rome, Friday, in the Sixtine chapel, and pronounced the abolition in a clear, strong voice.

The West Virginia coal field again becomes the stumbling block in the way to a settlement between the operators and the mine workers.

President Pitcairn, of the Pittsburg Plate Glass Company, asserted that 75 per cent of the annual production is sold absolutely without profit. Charles Stewart, of Pittsburg, was elected second vice president of the Merchant Tailors' National Exchange at the meeting in Norfolk, Va. The illness of Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., has changed the plans of the president for his trip to Charleston. The trip may have to be abandoned. Sixteen persons, including five young women and six girls, were baptized in the river, at Rochester, Pa., by cutting a hole in the ice, Sunday.

General Oliver O. Howard says that of the 27 commanders of Union armies during the Civil war only two survive, General Schofield and him self.

The postoffice department has ordered the establishment of a sub-station of the Sharon, Pa., postoffice at South Sharon, with two additional carriers. The home of William P. Robertson near Magnolia, W. Va., was burned Friday, and his four young children perished; said to be the work of robbers. The Rev. T. J. Yost, of Cumberland Md., created a sensation in his church Sunday by comparing members of his council with Judas, Brutus and Czol-gosz.

F. W. Stephenson, who shot to death Deputy Sheriff William Cooper at Waterloo, Ia., surrendered to the officers for fear that he would be lynched. Because she was about to sue for divorce, John Ray beat his wife to death with a flatiron at Topeka, Kan., and attempted to hang himself, but was rescued. Two hundred and fifty employees of the North Reading plant of the Reading Foundry Company went out on a strike Tuesday and the place was closed down. Colombian Revolutionary General Herrera notified foreign consuls that he intends to capture Colon and Panama and asked that the railroad be made neutral. Rev. Amos Messler, a Seventh Day Adventist preacher, is under arrest at Huntington, Ind., on a charge of stealing \$7,000 from his brother. He gave up a large part of the money. Eighty-five men were quarantined in the Samaritan Inn at Philadelphia Pa., Tuesday on account of a case of smallpox said to have developed in the institution. City Council of Wooster, O., sold \$40,000 worth of city refunding bonds at a premium of \$788, to Federal Hol-man & Co., of Cincinnati. The securities are to run 13 years and bear 4 per cent interest. Delegate Wilcox, of Hawaii, introduced a bill Tuesday increasing salaries: President of the United States \$100,000; Vice President, \$25,000; Cabinet officers, \$15,000 each; members of Congress, \$10,000; Governor of Hawaii, \$8,000.

TOWBOAT MEETS WITH DISASTER.

BOILERS EXPLODED.

Two of the Crew of the J. W. Ailes Killed, Eight Missing and Four Injured.

The boilers of the steamer John W. Ailes, of the Monongahela Consolidated Coal and Coke Company exploded with a terrific report and terrible results Tuesday night, near Lock No. 2 at Port Perry, Pa. Two of the crew were killed outright, eight missing and four were injured, the result of the disaster. The wreck caught fire shortly after the explosion. The John W. Ailes had seven flats in tow and was on her way down the river. When less than three-fourth of a mile below Lock No. 2 the explosion occurred. The flames from the burning wreck disclosed a fearful view to those whose attention had been attracted by the explosion. Nothing remained of the vessel but the stern bulkhead. But two of the bodies were recovered, but they were unrecognizable. Eight other members of the crew are missing. It is supposed that their bodies are either burned or swallowed up by the icy waters. Six men were rescued before the flames burned what remained of the boat to the water's edge. The injured were so badly hurt that they were unable to give their names. William Shaw was captain and John Bates pilot of the boat. Both are probably lost.

WANT CANALS SOLD.

Legislative Topic in Ohio Bobs Up - Public Works Board. The entire canal system of Ohio is to be abandoned. The water ways cost the State several millions of dollars. The appropriation bill introduced in the House Friday by Chairman Crafts, of the committee on finance, carried only an allotment sufficient to provide for the expenses of the State Board of Public Works for three months. By that time, it is said that a definite plan for disposing of the canals will have been formulated. Attorney General Sheets is drafting a bill, authorizing the sale or lease of the water ways to the highest bidder, and abolishing the board.

PAINSTAKING ROBBERS.

Took Postoffice Safe Into the Road and Used Dynamite. Thieves entered the postoffice at Wampum, Pa., Thursday night, carried the safe into the middle of the street and blew it open with dynamite. They secured several thousand stamps and a small sum of money. The robbery was not discovered until morning, when Postmaster Fitch went to the office. Several residents heard the explosion, but they supposed that it was a blast at the adjoining stone quarries.

COUNCIL ANGRY AT UNCLE SAM.

Threatens to Eject Postoffice from Municipal Building. The postoffice location fight was settled at Steubenville, O., Saturday, when the Edward Nicholson building was selected. The postoffice has been in the city building, but as many repairs were wanted by the Government Council-raised the rent and it was decided to move. Council has served notice on the Government to move and threatens ejectment if the postoffice is not out of the city building within the required time.

LOCOMOTIVE BOILER LETS GO.

Engineer Instantly Killed and Fireman Fatally Scalded. The boiler of a freight locomotive on the Lake Erie and Western Railroad exploded Sunday while the engine was standing on a siding near St. Marys, O. Fireman Floyd Brown, of Lima, O., was killed outright, and Engineer Edward Casey, of Fremont, was scalded so badly that he died a few hours later. A number of cars were wrecked. A defective crown sheet is supposed to have been the cause of the explosion.

CHICAGO WOMAN AIDS SCHOOL.

Gives \$5,000 to the Wooster, Ohio, University. Rev. I. E. Holden, D. D., president of the Wooster, Ohio, University, has announced that Mrs. T. B. Blackstone, of Chicago, has given \$5,000 to the fund for rebuilding the university, which was practically wiped out of existence by fire on December 11 last.

Wholesale Killing of Dogs and Cats.

Friday morning the butchery of every dog and cat found loose on the streets of Plymouth township, near Wilkesbarre, Pa., commenced. They are being killed because it is believed they are responsible for the spread of smallpox, of which there are several cases in the township.

Fire Destroys Part of Ohio Town.

The village of Federdam, six miles north of Kent, O., was almost wiped out by fire Tuesday. The buildings destroyed were Mrs. F. S. Jewett's general store, the postoffice, Doolittle's cheese and butter factory and the residence of Mrs. F. A. Jewett and H. K. Jewett. The loss is \$12,000.

Decided Against Mr. Johnson.

The Supreme Court decision Tuesday put an end to Tom L. Johnson's effort to secure a higher appropriation of the railway property of Ohio. The court handed down a decision sustaining the demurrer of the Attorney General to his petition and dismissing the same.

Negro Hermit Cremated.

"Black Lije" Thomas, the famous old colored hermit, was burned to death by the burning of his cabin at Middletown, N. Y., Tuesday.

OFFICIALS IN CUSTODY.

Mine Foreman and Fire Boss in Charge During Two Terrible Catastrophes Arrested.

An official endeavor to place the responsibility for the death of William Heath of Finleyville, chief engineer for the Pittsburg Coal Company; George Crosby of Allegheny and Charles Zimmerman of Greensburg, Pa., engineers for the same company, who lost their lives in an explosion of gas in the Grindstone mines near Uniontown, Pa., December 3, was commenced Wednesday by the arrest of Mine Foreman James Eaton and Fire Boss David Jones, of the Grindstone mines, on information of Mine Inspector Isaac G. Roby, who charged them with failing to post danger signals in the mine and not requiring safety lamps to be used, besides other neglect and violation of the law. The engineers were surveying in the mine, when they walked into a pocket of gas with their naked lamps and, in the explosion that followed, were hurled about and burned so badly that but one of them recovered. It was shown at the inquest that the law had been violated by the fire boss in not testing the mine for gas before allowing the engineer's party to enter, and that he had discovered gas at the point of the explosion several days before, but had not posted the danger signals required by law. The mine foreman is charged with having permitted the men to enter the mine before it had been examined by the fire boss, and both are held responsible for the death of the engineers. Inspector Roby also caused the arrest of William H. Rosenfield, engineer of the Lambert shaft, near here, charging him with being drunk while on duty and thus causing a cage, in which were four men, to drop 625 feet to the bottom, and holding Rosenfield responsible for their death. All the men were arrested and gave bail.

Roosevelt Omits Himself.

The President has omitted from the list of brevets for service in the war with Spain, to be sent to the Senate, his own name. He was recommended by the Army Board for the brevet rank of Colonel and Brigadier General for gallantry at the battle of San Juan, Santiago.

Will Demand Shorter Day.

The Stationary Firemen's Union of the anthracite region will hold a convention at Nanticoke, Pa., on March 1, to take action on the eight-hour day. Last July the firemen struck for an eight-hour day, but were not successful.

Train Kills Physician.

Dr. T. S. Troxell, of Gallitzin, Pa., one of the most prominent men in the county, was killed Saturday near Lilly. He had been to that place to see a patient, and on his way home he was struck by a shifting engine and instantly killed.

CABLE FLASHES.

The French Chamber of Deputies has passed a bill for the gradual reduction of miners' hours to eight. An accident in the church of Horencitos in Chiriqui, Panama, resulted in the death of 13 persons and the severe wounding of 39 others. Lord Salisbury, the premier, unveiled a life-size marble statue of the late Queen Victoria at the Junior Constitutional Club in London Wednesday.

The death is announced at Madrid, Spain, of Vice Admiral Jose Montojo. The commander of the Spanish fleet at Manila was Rear Admiral Patricio Montojo. Herr Peldram, the German minister to Hayti, will succeed Dr. Schmidt-Leda, the German minister to Venezuela, who has been absent from his post for some time. A Russian count named Toulouse Lautrec de Savine, who is said to be a naturalized American citizen, has been arrested in France for extradition to Bremen on a charge of swindling. Joseph Chamberlain's announcement that the Dutch proposal for peace in South Africa will be submitted to the Boer Generals by Lord Kitchener puts an end to the incident in London. A sensational crime was committed on Sunday near the forest of Bonday, France. A gamey named Leroy was killed by money by Bidaud, of Montmarie Camp, assisted by a woman. The Archduke Francis Ferdinand, heir presumptive to the throne of Austria and Hungary, Wednesday started for St. Petersburg. The visit is regarded as being of great political significance. Captain Grossman, who started Friday to walk down the Danube from Linz to Vienna, a distance of 100 miles, with his newly invented water-walking shoes, covered 20 miles. He is towing his wife in a small boat. The Governor of the town of Cagayan, in the province of Misamis, Island of Mindanao, has resigned, claiming that the military authorities there do not recognize his authority in refusing to receive his writs of habeas corpus. The chamber of deputies of France Wednesday by a vote of 338 to 219 adopted a bill providing that a nine-hour day shall be instituted at the coal pits; in two years a day's work shall be eight and one-half hours, and in another two years it shall be eight hours. Emperor William of Germany has intervened to stem the spread of the faith healing cult in Germany. His majesty has had long conferences with the chiefs of police for the purpose of devising measures to counteract the campaign of the Christian Scientists. A tablet was dedicated in the vault of St. Peter's Church in the Tower of London to the memory of Lady Jane Grey, her husband, Lord Guilford Dudley, the Duke of Northumberland and the Duke of Suffolk.

THE MARKETS.

PITTSBURG.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Wheat, Corn, Oats, Flour, and various grades of grain.

Dairy Products.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Butter, Eggs, and various dairy items.

Poultry, Etc.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Chickens, Ducks, and other poultry.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Apples, Potatoes, and other produce.

BALTIMORE.

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PHILADELPHIA.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Flour, Wheat, and other items.

NEW YORK.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Flour, Wheat, and other commodities.

LIVE STOCK.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Cattle, Hogs, and other livestock.

Sheep.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes various types of sheep.

Lambs.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes different grades of lambs.

Calves.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes various types of calves.

THE BUSINESS WORLD.

Interruption to Railway Traffic and to Outdoor Work by Storms - Big Iron Famine. R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: Interruption to railway traffic and outdoor work by severe storms was the only unfavorable factor in the business situation during the past week, while manufacturing activity increased and distribution through retail channels was undiminished. Reports from the West are especially encouraging, as a few Southern plants are slow to exhibit the improvement. Railway earnings for January gained 7.2 per cent over last year and 24.2 per cent over 1900. Famine conditions exist in the market for pig iron. Considering the fact that production during 1901 was far beyond all previous records the present shortage gives an indisputable evidence of the unprecedented rate at which the mills have been consuming. If deliveries are wanted before July 1 it is often necessary to pay a premium, and consumers have been compelled in some instances to place orders abroad. German billets are still arriving, which will tend to check the movement. Structural material supplies are utterly inadequate and the action of the Chicago Council, repealing the ordinance limiting the height of buildings has placed many new contracts on the market. Railways are so urgent for supplies that an order for rails may go abroad. Final reports of commercial failures during January exhibit an exceptionally large number of insolvent cases, and also an unusual amount of defaulted liabilities. In manufacturing lines there were 264 failures, involving \$6,308,948, an increase of \$1,697,964 over the liabilities last year. Defaulting traders numbered 1,120, with liabilities of \$7,116,972, an increase of 172 in number and \$1,305,168 in amount. Miscellaneous failures were 60 in number and \$886,681 in liabilities, exceeding January, 1901, by 10 in number, but showing a decrease of \$321,442 in defaulted liabilities.

SUBMARINE FOG SIGNAL.

Using Water to Conduct Sound for Ten or Twelve Miles. An interesting experiment is to be made at Egg Rock, Lynn, England, in submarine fog-signaling. A bell is to be hung 50 feet below a buoy, which will be moored in 15 fathoms of water and will be struck by electricity from the Egg Rock Light Station, where a power house is already established. It is said that a person placing an ear against a rod held in contact with the hull of a vessel will be able to hear the bell three to five miles away; in fact, it is believed that the ringing of the bell will be heard at a distance of 10 to 12 miles.

Half-Water Milk for Paris.

The campaign directed of analyst Parisian milkmen who dilute their milk continues to be carried on with much vigor. One such tradesman was fined 20 francs for selling milk diluted with water to the extent of 27 per cent. Another was sent to prison for two months and ordered to pay a fine of 50 francs.