# **COLUMN BLOWN TO PIECES**

Detachment of 700 Japanese Annihilated by Mines.

HILLSIDES STREWN WITH DEAD.

Victims So Badly Mutilated That Their Number Could Not Be Ascertained.

A Japanese column, numbering approximately 700 men, while marching along at night on a road in the val-ley between Long Hill and Division Hill, met a frighttul disaster through the explosion of an electric land mine

The mine was carefully laid by the Russians and covered nearly a mile of available marching space. The explosive was placed at the bottom. Rocks were placed next, and on top of these clay was packed so carefully that the ground gave the impression of not having been disturbed.

The indications of Japanese activity in this vicinity put the Russians on Near midnight the outposts rushed in and reported that the Jap-anese were approaching. The Ruswithheld their fire for some Suddenly they threw a searchlight up the valley. The opened with a rifle fire. The Japanese The Rus until apparently the whole Japanese column was in the Then the mine was danger zone.

The force of the explosion knocked a number of Russians down, and the sight of Japanese rifles, water-botlegs and arms hurling through the lighted space made by the searchlight, was an awful spectacle. Some rocks landed inside the Russian lines. There was one appalling moment, during which the garrison itself was stunned, then a deathyke silence. searchlight coldly lighted up the road and hillsides strewn with dead. The following day the Russians burled the dead, but owning to their dis membered and mutilated condition they were unable to accurately esti mate the number of killed. Japanese escaped, however,

#### MEAT STRIKE ENDED.

#### Men Will Apply for heir Positions in Packing Houses.

strike of the butcher workmen, which has demoralized the meat packing industry for two months, was of ficially declared off by President Michael J. Donnelly of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters & Butcher Work-men. Donnelly this morning telegraphed the members of the National Executive Committee asking their consent, and having received favorable answers from all, he declared that strike would end.

The strike of affliated unions at the stock yards in sympathy with butchers will officially be called off by the conference board of the allied trades. This was decided upon by the central body.

When the packers were notified that it had been decided to end the strike they announced that they would give places as far as possible to the skilled men, but it was stated at the same time that many of the men would be unable to secure their places, as in many cases the work was being performed in a satisfactory manner by men who had been cured since the commencement of

## HOTEL CLERK MURDERED.

#### \$250 in Cash and Many Valuables Secured.

After pounding the night clerk, H. S. Butler, to death and leaving him lying on the floor of the office, a thief rifled the safe of the Greek Hotel on Forty-second street, nearly op-posite the Grand Central station, after securing Horace Maples, a negro New York, securing \$250 in cash and charged with the murder of a white a quantity of valuables which had civizen, hanged him on a tree in sight been left with the clerk for safe keep-Soon after the clerk's body found the police sent out a general alarm for Percy Howard, 23 years old, a bell boy, who had been employed at the hotel only about a week, and disappeared before But-ler's body was found. But-member of the department. ler's body was found.

## SOLD TO THE WABASH.

#### Gould Interests Get Large Property in Pittsburg District.

The Pittsburg Terminal Railroad and Coal Company, the West Side Belt Railroad Company and all its branches, and all the subsidiary companies of the coal company, have been sold to the Wabash interests. The price paid for the properties was about \$12,000,000, the promotors realizing a profit of about \$800,000.

The purchase includes 15,000 acres of coal land in fee simple, 1,000 acres of surface land, seven mines and 36 miles of railroad, with valuable terminals in Pittsburg and Clairton. The It is Messrs. Donnelly and Nicola. completely developed and fitted with modern machinery. The present output is at the rate of 3,000,000 tons.

The purchase of the properties, and especially the railroad, secures for the Wabash an immediate tonnage which, it is said, will be sufficient to the interest on the entire issue

Voting Trust Dissolved.
With the payment of the recently-declared semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent on the first preferred stock of the Reading Company the voting trust of the corporation was dissolv-ed. The affairs of the company will in future be in the hands of the share-

Sir Thomas Lipton leaves England the end of September for St. Louis, where he will be the guest of David R. Francis, President of the Expo-

## BUSINESS HAS IMPROVED.

Brighter Outlook in the Industria World, Many Steel Mills Resuming Operations.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s "Weekly Re

view of Trade" says: Holiday in fluence is calculated to check distri button of merchandise, but the past week has brought more encouraging results in the business world. Re

tail trade in fall lines of dry goods clothing, millinery and nearly all wearing apparel shows a health; growth, and for hardware, household utensils and kindred lines there is a roader demand. The best development of the week

was the resumption of work in many industries that have suffered through Crop progress is better that strikes. the average, and high prices promise large profits to the farmers. Rait freight is heavy, chiefly due to the marketing of grain and cotton, and earnings in August were 2.8 per cent larger than in 1903. Signs of conditions in leading facturing industry multiply as the season advances, and the amount of business in sight has increased very materially, despite the indisposition of the railways to place orders freely for rolling stock, rails and other equipment.

At the South there is still trouble on account of the bituminous coal miners' strike which strengthens the Resumption of work by several prominent Western steel companies put more pig iron furnaces in blast. Restoration of more normal conditions in the packing industry has removed some of the artificial strength from the hide market Sole leather is dull. Conservatism is still the prominent characteristic the primary market for cotton goods. Woolena and worsteds are strong and quiet, old business occupying the attention of machinery and shipping departments. Failures this week numbered 200 in the United States, against 172 last year, and 16 in Canada, compared with 19 a year

#### A TOTAL WRECK.

#### Freight Train Plunges Over Embank ment at Horse Shoe Bend.

One of the most frightful accident in the history of the Pennsylvania Railroad occurred at the famous Horse shoe curve, five miles west of Altoona, shortly after 11 o'clock at night when a freight engine and 35 loaded cars left the track and plunged hundreds of feet down the steep embankment.

The engineer and one brakeman were killed, the fireman and a tramp were so seriously hurt that they may die, and three others of the train crew are missing and are thought to be dead under the wreckage. dead are: William Boardman, engineer, lived at Pitcairn. Went over the embankment with his engine Charles Lohr, head brakeman, Eved at Pitcairn. Went over the embank-ment with the train.

The train was composed of 35 loaded cars and was going east. As it left the Gallitzin tunnel, it got beyoud the control of the trainmen and started down the mountain at terrific speed. All efforts to lessen the speed were useless. As it reached the steep curve just west of the Horse shoe curve, the engine left the track, going over the embankment, carrying a number of cars with it and piling 18 cn the tracks. The engineer and firemen were carried with it. engineer is buried under the wreck-

## MOB SETS FIRE TO JAIL.

## Alabama Lynchers Outwit Militia and

Hang Negro. A mob, estimated at 2,000, set fire of the jail. The sheriff, his deputies and a company of the local militia, were unable to save the prisoner. The fire department, which summoned, was held a square away from the burning jail, armed men

## ARMENIANS RAID TOWNS.

#### Twenty-Two Were Killed by Attack of Turkish Troops.

A hot fight between Armenian in surgents and Turkish troops occurred at Van, August 31, in which more than a score were killed. Armenians to the number of 150 raided the town captured four houses and barricaded themselves. Troops attacked the houses and in the fight two soldiers and 20 other persons were killed. The authorities set fire to a number of adjoining houses, so the troops might be better enabled to besiege the in-The town was panicsurgents. stricken, and those inhabitants who had not fled to the mountains took refuge in the churches and convents, It is stated by the authorities that other Armenian bands are preparing to cross the Persian frontier.

## TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The New Hampshire Democratic State Convention, at Concord, gave the Gubernatorial nomination by acclamation to Henry F. Hollis, of Con-cord, who was the candidate of the

party two years ago.

Mr. W. W. Astor arrived in New York on the Majestic, it being his first visit to his native city since he

became a British subject.

Judge A. Heaton Robertson, conervative, was nominated by the Con necticut Democratic convention, de Norwich, the radical candidate

Fire at Progresso, Mex., wiped out an entire business block, causing a loss of almost \$1,200,000, with little

Rev. Father Stanton found no less than 152 new species of parasites in the Philippines.

# SEVEN KILLED IN A WRECK

Many Passengers Imprisoned in Splintered Cars.

DAY COACH LEFT THE TRACK.

Heavy Dining Car Fell on Top of Day Coach Where Most Passengers Were.

The southbound Wabash nassenger train which left Dea Moines for St. Louis at 6:40 a. m., was wrecked near Pendieton, Mo., killing seven passengers and injuring more than 30. The dead: J. E. Nichola, Macon, Mo.; Mrs. Henry Foicht, Huntingdon, Pa.; Mrs. C. H. Graves, Laplata, Mo.; Edna Patterson, Laplata, Mo.; Mrs. Henderson, Lapiata, Mo.; Mrs. Anna Brenner, Macon, Mo.; Miss Hebler, daughter of A. F. Hebler, Macon, Mo.

The train, which was composed of an engine, baggage and smoking car, day coach, diner and Pullman sleeper, was well filled, it being estimated by Wabash officials that there were about 500 passengers on board. train was running at its schedule

peed when the accident occurred. The day coach left the track and plunged down an embankment, ging the diner with it. The heavy diner crashed on top of the coach, and the majority of those killed and injured were passengers in the latter.

### TWO KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK. Others Are Seriously Injured.

Freights Clash Together. On the Buffalo, Rochester and Pitts burg Rallroad near Carman, 10 miles below Brockwayville, Pa., two freight trains came together, killing two trainmen, seriously injuring four others and piling up the engines and several cars in a shapeless mass of wreekage. The killed: Fireman Clyde Osterstuck, of train No. 42, crushed and scalded beneath engine No. 233 and buried beneath a pile of ore and coal. Resided at Bradford.

Head brakeman James Welsh, of train No. 42, riding in cab with Osterstuck. Met death in the same man-ner as the fireman. Lived at Sala-

The injured: Engineer Gordnier, scalded and crushed in cab of his en-gine. No. 233. Taken to Bradford hospital. Home at Salamanca. Engineer McCord, of No. 282, slight-

injured by jumping. Lives Bradford. Fireman C. G. Volk, of No. 282, injured by jumping through cab win-Slightly scalded and head and

face cut. Lives at Bradford. Brakeman Wilson, of train No. 53. Badly cut about head and face, and legs injured in jumping. Lives at

Clearfield. The wreck occurred on a curve and the trains came together before the brakeman realized the altuation. The cause is charged to the misunder-standing of orders on the part of northbound train No. 42 drawn by engine No. 233.

## Vermont's Vote.

With only two small towns missing the Republican plurality of 31,500 in the State election is believed to be within a few votes of the correct figures. Four years ago it was 31.312. total vote for Governor without the two towns is: Bell (Rep.), 47, 991; Porter (Dem.), 16,492; a Republican plurality of 31,449. The missing tewns gave a Republican plurality last year of 68. The returns from 221 towns show that the Senate will be solialy Republican. The State officers chosen are: Gov.

Charles J. Bell, Welden; Lieutenant Governor, Charles H. Stearns, Johnson; Treasurer, John T. Bacon, Hartford; Secretary of State, Freder-G. Fleetwo Iorrisvill Auditor, Horace F. Graham, Craftsbury, David J. Foster, of Burlington, was elected to Congress from the First district, and Kittredge Haskins, of Brattleboro, from the Second district.

John Grier Holmes, banker and capitalist, of Pittsburg, died on board the steamship Teutonic in the Atlantic ocean September 5 of heart disease.

## TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE.

## Plumed Knights March in Fine Order Through San Francisco.

The twenty-ninth triennial conclave of the Order of Knight Templars was inaugurated at San Francisco with a parade which marched over seven miles of the city's streets. A striking feature of the parade was the presence in the line of the Earl of Euston and several other officials of the Templar order, representing the Knight Templars of England and Their distinctive uniforms attracted special attention and much applause.

Joseph Leath, of Couer de Leon ommandery, Knoxville, Tenn., commandery. dropped dead during the parade from

apoplexy. The parade was one of the finest ever seen in San Francisco. It occupied nearly three hours in passing a given point. The advance along the line of march of the more largely represented eastern commanderies was signalized by continuous cheers and when the band heading the Kentucky contingent struck up "Dixie" the enthusiasm of the spectators was

#### and Illinois made a fine showing. Discover Prehistoric Animal.

At a depth of about 14 feet laborers excavating for the Spearman avenue sewer at South Sharon, Pa., uncovered the tusk or horn of some prehistoric animal. It is semi-circular in shape, six feet long and five inches in Monroe, N. C., followed by the wreck diameter at the base. Those who of a light engine and caboose, result-have examined it say it is the tusk of ling in the death of four persons and

## JEALOUS WOMAN'S DEED.

# Family Quarrel Ends in Death of Man

Mrs. Henry Toler of Butte, Neb., in a quarrel inspired by jealousy of her husband, went to her room and saturated her clothing with kerosene. Coming out she sensed him and held him lightly which she set fire to her skirts with a match. Struggling to break from her, the man tore from the house, but his wife held to him, communicating the flames and oil to his clothing.

When she was so badly burned that she became unconscious her husband broke from her grasp and with his clothing a mass of flames, rushed to a deep cistern some distance from the house and leaped into it. had attracted the attention of neighbors, who rescued him in a dying con dition

burned and in agony. She was wrap-ped in heavy clothes and the fire extinguished and she recovered enough to tell the story of her attempt to burn herself and her husband to death. Then she became unconscious and the physicians say she will die.

## STEEL WAR BEGUN.

#### Steel Plate and Structural Associations Make Reductions.

Members of the Steel Plate and Structural Steel Associations, at conferences held in the Waldorf-Astoria and in Jersey City, agreed to make important reductions in the prices of their manufactures. In this way hey implicitly obeyed the expressed wishes of the United States Steel Corporation. It is blieved that this ends finally the uncertainty that has menaced the steel market for weeks. so far as these lines are concerned. Representatives of the Lackswanna Steel Company were present at the meetings. The pools received the assurance that the Lackawanna joined

hands with them and would live up to the agreements that were made.

Despite the protest of several smaller independent firms, who were outvoted, harmony practically pre-vailed among the associated manu-facturers. Dominated by the Steel Corporation, they virtually the long threatened war upon the Re public Iron and Steel Company.

Prices were reduced in some case \$4 and in some \$6 a ton on the vice of the corneration officials who argued that if rock bottom rates were adopted there would be no secret cut ting and the agreements would be effeetive.

## WAR MOVEMENTS.

#### Kurapotkin Reaches Mukden-Will Carry War Into Korea.

The Russian commander has arrived at Mukden, and it is given out in St. Petersburg that the bulk of his army is now near there, while a dispatch from Mukden filed Tuesday, says that the main Russian army is pushing northward and evacuating that place. It is indicated that the Japanese are still harassing the Russian rear Further than this nothing is known.

Russian preparations indicate move-ment south from Ham-Heung, covering the occupation of Chien-Pien and Yeng-Hung, will soon be made. The Russian commander officially has notified the Korean magistrates of these towns they must prepare quarters for a large body of troops for immediate

## GOVERNMENT TOTTERING.

#### Paraguayan Revolutionists Capture Town of Encarnacion.

The revolutionists of Paraguay have captured Villa Encarnacion, with its garrison and their arms. The position of the government of Paraguay is becoming weaker daily and its mate surrender or complete defeat is

The report from Uruguay of the deof General V War, in the recent battle between the Uruguayan government forces and the revolutionists at Cuchilla Negra has been published. The casualties of the revolutionists in killed and wounded was 170 officers and over 600 The government casualties were 11 officers killed and 53 wounded; men, 83 killed and 345 wounded, and 34 missing.

## WILL SOON RESUME WORK.

## Railroad Shops at Altoona Will Re-

sume on Full Time. Superintendent of Motive Power R N. Durborow, of the Pennsylvania Railroad, issued orders placing all the company's shops on his division on full time, 10 hours a day, and five hours Saturday. About 15,000 men will be benefited, most of whom have been employed but 32 hours a week since spring.

The orders apply to Altoona, Pitts burg, Harrisburg and West Philadelphia shops. Regarding the employment of the suspended men no orders have yet been issued. It is excted that most of them will be taken back at an early date.

Rear-End Smash in Illinois. The Kansas City fast passenger train on the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad was wrecked one-half mile east of Tiskilawa, Ill., and more than 30 persons were badly in sured, two of whom have since died. The passenger train collided with the rear of a freight train that had been broken in two. Half a dozen passenger cars were wrecked.

## Four Killed; Many Hurt.

Train No. 41, on the Seaboard Air Line Railroad, consisting of an ex-press car, a mail car, two day coaches and a Pullman sleeper, was derailed at a trestle 22 miles southwest of the injuring of 35 others. The kill-ed are: Engineer E. Y. Barksdale, The kill-Pive laborers were killed in the ex- S. C.; Fireman Edward Roberts, col-plosion of a threshing machine on- ored. Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Black, un-

# FOURTEEN DIE IN NEW YORK

Fire in Tement Results in Awful Disaster.

FIREMEN MAKE MANY RESCUES.

Scores Leap from Upper Stories Or Are Carried Down by Falling of a Balcony.

Fourteen persons were killed and nearly a score injured in a fire in a five-story double tenement in Attorney street. New York city. It was one of the worst fires in the loss of human lives that has occurred on the East side in several years, although the property loss was slight. The dead include four women, one man, and nine children ranging in age from three months to 12 years.

Many of the injured were taken to hospitals, and it is thought that several of these will die. Among the in-jured were five firemen who were on a fourth floor balcony when it fell with

The small number of men among the killed and injured was due to the fact that most of the men who lived in the building, following the Attorney street custom in hot weather, were asleep on the roof, while but few of the women and children were there. Those on the roof were unathere. ble to escape, but the members of their families who had remained in their rooms found escape cut off and panic reigned throughout the struct-

The fire started about 3 o'clock in the morning and there was considera-ble delay in sending in an alarm, although the district is one of the most thickly populated in the crowded East

side of New York, When the firemen reached the scene some of the women were jump-ing from the windows and from the ends of fire escapes that reached only to the second floor; others were crouching in the smoke in the small rooms and narrow halls. ambulances were called, and the sur-geons were kept busy caring for the

A number of daring rescues were made by firemen and police, and the conditions under which they worked were unusual and difficult. of life was due chiefly to the fact that alterations were being made in the tenement building. The basement and first floor, the latter about six feet above the sidewalk level, had both been cut through, the front and rear walls having been removed, and the upper floors being supported by steel beams. The exit from the upper floors was by way of a small step indder.

## FIVE DROWNED. Naphtha Launch Capsizes on Lake

Erie Near Cleveland. Five men were drowned in Lake Erie as the result of the capsizing of a naphtha launch in which they were en route from Cleveland to Vermillion to attend yacht races at the latter place. The dead: John D. Begley, of 551 Scovill avenue; Albert G. Treiber, of 28 Avondale street; Paul Hartner, 200 Root street; Max Hurtig, a traveling salesman for a New York firm; Jules Hurtig, draughtsman employed by the Garry Iron and

Steel Company, Cleveland. The first that was known of the drownings was when the launch floated to the beach near Edgewater Park Cries for help had been heard by campers along the shore, but no as-sistance could be given in the darkness. The launch is believed to have been caught in a trough of the lake, a heavy wind prevailing during the night. The body of John D. Begley was found on the beach to-day.

Killed at World's Fair. Six persons were killed and 19 were injured, two probably fatally, and nine seriously, by the collision of a Wabash World's Fair shuttle train with a suburban electric car at the Sarah street crossing, St. Louis. Sarah street crossing, St. Louis. There were 25 passengers in the car,

#### and none escaped injury. STEEL STOCK SOLD

#### Receiver for U. S. Shipbuilding Company Disposes of 300,000 Shares.

Three hundred thousand shares of stock of the Bethlehem Steel Company, the entire capital stock of the company, were sold for \$7,500,000 by former United States Senator James Smith, Jr., receiver for the United States Shipbuilding Company, acting as a special master under direction of Judge William M. Lanning, of United States district court. par value of the stock is \$15,000,000. The stock was bought in by William C. Lee, the only bidder, President of the Standard Trust Company, of New York, which held the stock as trustee, and the shares become subject to an agreement between Charles M. Schwab and the reorganization committee for the United States Shipbuilding Company.

## Mob Vengeance.

Wash Bradley, the confessed negro nurderer of Mrs. N. B. Barrow, was strung up to a tree and his body riddled with bullets after his ears had been severed from his head and his body, otherwise mutilated at Brunson,

## Office Holders Warned.

Acting Secretary Oliver of the War Department has issued a circular warning against political assessments and partisan activity of office holders. This circular embodies the provisions of the civil service act of January 16, 1883, making political assessments of federal officers and employes a misiemeanor punishable by a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding three years, or by fine and imprisonment both, in the discretion of the court.

## FIVE KILLED.

#### Accident Occurred While Lowering Nitro-Glycerin in Well.

Five are dead and an equal number injured as the result of a premature explosion of a quantity of nitro-gly-

cerin near Upper Sanduskdy, O. The dead: Malen Lookabaugh Findlay; Lafe McKay, Findlay; Jo seph Fox, Lima; Corine Wise, ager 11. Upper Sandusky; Emanuel Ur can, Cincinnati.

The injured include Ernest Wise leg mangled and internally injured; will probably die; Louis Lookabaugh. not expected to recover; Alice Wise injured about the head, condition crit ical; Mary Guillford, bruised abou body; Claire Lookabaugh, face and timbs badly cut.

The accident occurred while Mc Kay, an oil well shooter, was engaged lowering the nitro-glycerin. the time his assistants, the Looks baughs and Fox, together with the others, were grouped about the well. The cause of the explosion is unknown

#### DUEL IN THE STREET.

#### Dispute Over a Bill Leads to a Shoot ing Affray.

In a street duel at Green Shoals, W. Va., two men were killed, one fatally injured, another seriously injured and two, who escaped, are supposed to be wounded.

The dead: Allen Brumfield, a fur tice of the peace; William Adams.
The injured are George Mead, shot
twice, and John Lambert. Two
brothers of John Lambert who engaged in the fight are believed to be wounded, but escaped to the moun

The fight started over an attempt Lambert to collect a bill from Adams. The men engaged in an argument over the account several days

#### ARKANSAS ELECTION.

#### Governor Davis Elected for Third Term by 20,000 Plurality.

Sufficient returns from the State election have been received to indicate the election of Governor Davis to a third term by a plurality of 20,-000. Several other State officers were voted for, but all the other Demo-cratic candidate had an open field alone having opposition. ernor Davis will run something like 16,000 votes behind his ticket two years ago, when the total vote was in round numbers.

This year there has been an inrease of 10,000 votes, and if Governor Davis' plurality is not over 20,000 his oss in the aggregate will be 30,000 votes. The Prohibition vote will possibly fall short of two years ago, when Kimball, for Governor on that ticket, polled less than 5,000 votes.

## CHARGED WITH FORGERY. Former Clerk in Newark Bank Ar

rested in Cincinnati. As a result of sensational developments connected with the recent suspension of the Homestead Building and Savings Bank, of Newark; O., a former clerk, Robert C. Lingafelter, 27. was arrested in Cincinnati. Chief Police Sheridan, of Newark, immediately after the arrest, graphed Newark to arrest Lingafelter's father, James Lingafelter, the former president of the bank, and his wife. The charge against all three is forgery. It is alleged that they forged notes and receipts amounting to \$75,000.

## Relief Expedition Fails.

The Norwegian steamer Vircola, which has arrived at Hammerfest, reports that she met the Ziegler relief expedition steamer Frithjof, August 17, in latitude 79 north and longitude 52 east. The Frithjof up to that time had been unable to reach Franz Josef the Ziegler relief expedition, which arrived at Vardo, Norway, August 4, after an unsuccessful attempt to reach the steamer America, bearing the Ziegler Arctic expedition party, sailed from Vardo August 5 for Franz Josef land with coal for the America. The latter vessel sailed from Trondhjem, Norway, for Franz Josef land on June

# NEWS NOTES.

Vice Presidential Candidate Davis

ade a non-partisan speech at the Wheeling fair. Gregory Fiscus was found guilty of voluntary manslaughter at Greens burg. Pa. He was charged with killing George W. Hedinger, at Delmont,

July 4.

Hilstein.

Miss Anna Phillips, of Wellsville, O., has sued the Cleveland and Pittsburg Railroad for \$10,000 for damages for the death of her brother, Conduc tor John Phillips Mrs. Johanna Ohlson, Swedish em!

grant en route for Fertile, Minnesota

way of the Baltimore and Ohio by way of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad stopped off at Ravenna, O. to bury her six-months-old baby that died as the train was entering the Rachael B. Hamilton, a white girl, of Chester, Pa., secured a marriage license to wed L. H. Nelson, a negro

girl's age had been misrepresented he revoked the license. Senor Platonoff, a member of the council of the empire, has been appointed minister of the interior and chief of Russian police, in succession

When Magistrate Rhodes learned the

to the late M. von Plehve. For seating himself beside a white passenger in a coach on the Chesa-peake and Ohio Railroad near Paint Creek, Frank Howard, a negro, was shot and instantly killed by Wade C.

guilty to murdering Lawyer Notting-ham and was sentenced by Judge W. D. Wallace, of New Castle, Pa., to 15 years in the penitentiary.

Prof. J. F. Bivins, head master of
Trinity Park High School at Durham,
N. C., was killed by a train while re-

William Dickson, colored,

turning from his wedding trip.

# KEYSTONE STATE CULLINGS

### GOOD ORDER FOR STEEL

Cambria Company Working on Contract for American Shipbuilding Company.

The Cambria Steel Company, of Johnstown, has received part of a large order for steel placed by the American Shipbuilding Company. The contract to the local company is for 2,000 tons of plates and shapes, which will be used in the construction of a passenger and freight ship to be built at senger and freight ship to be built at the Lorain yards in Cleveland. An order for 3,000 tons of plates and shapes has been placed with the United States Steel Corporation. At present the Cambria Company is working on an order of from 16,000 to 18,000 tons of plates and shapes. which are to be used in the construc-tion of the United States battleskies, the Vermont and Minnesota.

Newton Tannehill killed Frank Isabella in mistake for a ground hog. Both men are coal miners, living near Hillard, Butler county, and both were hunting after ground hogs on the Rumbaugh farm. Tannehill saw Rumbaugh farm. Tannehill saw something move in a clump of bushes and could see one eye. He his Winchester rifle and fired. He leveled bullet struck Isabella in the left side, near the heart, and passed through his lung. Tannehill carried the wounded man to the nea: est house and secured doctor but he died within half an Tannehill gave himself up to the authorities.

Fire destroyed the barn, blacksmith shop, wheel house and part of the tipple of the Fairview mines at Coal Run in the Upper Meyersdale coal region. The company loss will aggregate \$1,000 with no insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown, but there is strong suspicions of incen-diarism. The mine has been closed during the present strike, and was unguarded. It is said that the company's intentions were to run the mine, and that work prior to its openng was already begun.

Henry Clay Fitch, or "Black Spot," the self-confessed murderer of three men, was executed at the Clearfield jail. His display of coolness and nerve was remarkable. He ate a hearty breakfast, dressed himself, took part in a religious service and addressed a large crowd at the rear of the inil prior to being escorted to the scaffold. On the scaffold he made a short speech, in which he warned all present to beware of whisky, gambling and bad women.

The Pennsylvania Canal Boatmen's Association held its twelfth annual reunion at Freeport. The boatmen were welcomed by R. B. McKee, who was responded to by Dr. J. C. Kennedy, of Pittsburg. The officers elect-ed are: President, Dr. J. C. Kennedy, Pittsburg; Vice President, Robert Bingham, Aspinwall; Secretary-Treasurer, M. E. Brown, Blairsville, The next meeting will be held at Blairsville

The will of the late William W. Smith was admitted to probate in the register's office at Washington. estate is valued at almost \$2,000,000. The two equal beneficiaries of the will are Mr. Smith's two sons, Will-iam McK. Smith, who has charge of the Smith banking interests, and U. S Grant Smith, secretary at the United States legation at Constantinople Turkey. These two sons the executors of the estate. These two sons are made

A fire, which is alleged to have been started by a spark from a traction engine, destroyed the barn of Robert Johnson, in North Strabane township, Washington county, entailing a loss of several thousand dollars. The flames broke out just before a large thresh ing had been completed; the grain having been placed in the barn. horses were burned. Little insur-

ance was carried. News has reached capture of Arthur E. Smith at Salt Lake City, Utah. Smith is alleged to have presented forged checks ag-gregating \$3,852 on a Brownsville bank a few weeks ago. The checks bore the signature of J. S. Douglas, of Uniontown. Uniontown. As he refuses to return requisition papers will be necessary.

After beating and gagging four em-ployes of the Valley Traction Company's barn at Souderton, six masked robbers blew open the safe and escaped with about \$800 in cash. Preperations had been made by the gang to crack another safe, but an alarm in the office put a sudden end to their

The Butler school board elected Miss Jean May McKee, daughter of the late Rev. John S. McKee, teache in the public schools, and Miss May N. Arrowsmith, of Maple terra Pittsburg, as teacher in the High school to succeed Ethel May Williams, who resigned to accept a position in her home city, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Efforts are being made to raise \$2,000 to rebuild the State dam at Sharpsville, which was destroyed during the flood last January. At the present time the Shenango river is barely navigable for the smallest craft, while last summer small steamers plied its waters.

While at the Pulaski fair James Andrews had his pocket picked, the thief getting about \$85. Henderson Thomp-son, of near New Wilmington, felt one trying to take his wailet. He turned and captured the thief, who turned the wallet over to Henderson and then made his escape.

The contract for macadamizing the State road in Hickory township, Mercer county, was awarded at Harris-burg to Booth & Filinn, Ltd., of Pittsburg, for \$35,000. started immediately. Work will

Two engines and 12 steel ore cars were piled in a heap in a wreck at Hallston station, 13 miles north of Butler, on the Pittsburg, Bessemer All the and Lake Erie Railroad. train crews escaped injury.

is heavy.
Mrs. Edgar Hodgson, of near Kittanning, was burned to death by the explosion of a lamp.