by ..., the small farms are gradually giving way to larger farms in the older settled provinces. There is land in abundance, but not the old land hunger. These conditions are very like the conditions in all the older states of the Union.

Cleveland is leading the way in the abatement of the smoke nuisance. Much has been done there within a year, and much more is promised, due to the force of example and the persuasion of the officers. Drastic laws are not enforced against the owners of offending chimneys, but boiler owners are taught the economy of modern better-burning furnaces and smoke-consumers, while their pride in a clean city is aroused. One evidence of progress is the introduction within the year of over 150 smokeless furnaces. The best results are obtained from the use of hard coal and coke. While endeavoring to correct the methods of the furnace owners, the city has been a sinner itself, but it is about to set a good example by using smokeless coal at the city hall, the police stations and the workhouse.

Periodically the question of abolishing grade crossings in Chicago is agitated, but without effect. As a result of the present conditions of the crossings, out of a population of a little more than a million and a half there were in the year 1900 330 deaths by railroad accidents. Of these, 257 were caused by steam cars and 73 by street cars. In the same year there were in New York city 134 deaths by railroad accidents in a population of nearly three and a half millions, and in Philadelphia (with a population or more than a million and a quarter) there were only 55 deaths by railroad accidents. St. Louis, with a population of 576,238, had the lowest mortality by railroads, the number of deaths being nine. The compar... statement which has been prepar... Federal Labor Bureau... people of Chicago t... or the elevation of the...

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BODY OF BURGLAR ON SCENE.

He Had Evidently Been Stunned by Explosion and Shot by Companions.

Hutchinson, Kan., (Special).—The safe of the Missouri Pacific Railroad depot here was blown by robbers.

Afterward a man believed to have been one of the robbers, was found dead with a bullet hole through his heart.

The supposition is that the dead man was stunned by the explosion, which was very heavy, and the others, thinking he was too badly crippled to get away shot him. An identification card bearing the name of Charles M. Kinney, was found on the dead man. The card was a guarantee from the International Registry Company for expenses of caring for Kinney in case of sickness or accidents.

Americans Get the Contract.

Philadelphia, Pa., (Special).—The American Bridge Company, of this city, has secured a contract for the construction of 20 steel bridges along the line of the Uganda Railroad in East Africa. The amount of the contract is about $1,000,000. Several English and Continental firms offered bids, but that of the Philadelphia Company was not only the lowest, but guaranteed the completion of the work in shorter space of time than its competitors. The new bridges will replace wooden structures, which were built several months ago and found to be inadequate.

Cost of Czolgosz Trial.

Buffalo, N. Y., (Special).—The expense incurred in the trial and conviction of Leon F. Czolgosz, the assassin of President McKinley, was $1,799.50. Of this sum $500 was paid the attorneys who defended him; $1,000 was paid the alienists who examined him; $144 was paid the deputies who guarded him; $36 was paid for pictures taken and there is a bill of $119.50 for the transporting of Czolgosz and his guards to Auburn. This bill, it is expected, the State will pay.

385 Leonids Fell in an Hour.

Los Angeles, Cal., (Special).—The fall of the long-expected leonids was marked in this city just before daylight. The display at one time was brilliant, but there was a steady fall of the brilliants after 1 o'clock. One watcher ...ed 385 between 4 and 5 o'clock, ... total number seen in this city ...000. S...e of the m... ...illiant trails ...

...Exchange.

British officials now want to try Dr. Krause, former governor of Johannesburg, in London on charges of high treason and incitement to murder.

The scheme of an Anglo-American syndicate to erect a big building on the Strand according to American ideas has caused a sensation in London.

The students at the University of Athens made a demonstration in opposition to the translation of the Gospels, and fought the police and soldiers.

Aguinaldo has asked Gen. Chaffee's permission to go before the American Congress and express the wishes of the Filipino people.

Ambassador Andrew D. White and Mrs. White paid a ceremonious visit to Emperor William and the Empress, at Potsdam.

Lord Kitchener reorted that Colenbrander's column defeated Beyer's and Badenhorst's Boer commands near Pretoria.

Arguments in appeal of Walter and L. W. Winans against the judgment awarding the crown legacy duty on the large estate left by their father. L. W. Winans was heard, the question being whether the deceased was domiciled in England.

The new Commercial Cable Company has awarded a contract for manufacture and laying of the first section, to Honolulu, of the cable from San Francisco to the Philippines to an English company for $3,000,000.

A London syndicate has been organized for the erection of an immense office building on the Strand, to be constructed on American lines, at a cost of $10,000,000.

The British authorities detained a British steamer at London on the ground that the cargo was contraband of war destined for the Boers.

"Insuperable personal aversion" is given as the ground upon which the Duke and Grand Duchess of Hesse will be divorced.

The student riots in Madrid have been renewed. Twenty persons were injured, including the son of a high official of the ministry.

Financial.

The Chicago & Eastern ...llinois and Illinois Central will b... a bridge across the M...ssippi ...om Gray's Point to The...

It is stated ...lian Pacific will build fro... Duluth and compete wit... orthern and Northern Pac...

The Ameri... ...ning Company ny of N... incorporated with ... direc-

may be anoth... ...ance of that credulity with which ...have often been charged by European critics when I say that I believe the world has moved onward in diplomacy, as in many other matters.

"I can say without hesitation that we have generally told squarely what we wanted, announced early in negotiation what we were willing to give and allowed the other side to accept or reject our terms. During the time in which I have been prominently concerned in our foreign relations I can also say that we have been met by the representatives of other powers in the same spirit of frankness and sincerity."

His Fortune for His Sins.

Bloomington, Ill., (Special).—Racked by conscience, which gave him no peace, R. A. Grimsby, wealthy farmer, who lived in McLean county, this State, left his wife and three children this week to make a new home for himself. He turned over to them all of his property, with the exception of a few hundred dollars to atone for alleged wrongdoings, the nature of which is not known by his family, and if there is an accuser Grimsby is the only one.

American Victory in Samar.

Washington, D. C., (Special).—Rear Admiral Rodgers has cabled the Navy Department from Cavite as follows:

"Waller reports that on November 17 marines attacked an almost impregnable position at Sojoton, Samar. Three camps were destroyed, 30 men killed and 40 bamboo guns, rice and stores captured. He reports no casualties and commends Porter and other officers."

Adopts Constitution by 26,879.

Montgomery, Ala., (Special).—The Governor, Secretary of State and Attorney-General opened and counted the vote on the new Constitution. The result shows a majority of 26,879 for the Constitution. The Governor will issue his proclamation within a few days, and 10 days thereafter the new law will go into effect.

Plague Havoc in Russia.

Vienna, (By Cable).—There has been an alarming spread of the plague in South Russia. According to dispatches from Lemberg hundreds of fatal cases are reported in Moscow, Odessa, Kieff, Kherson and other towns.

King Edward's Health.

Lond... Sir Frederick Treves, ...dward, offering a toast t... ...nquet a...

shows the total steerage ...rrivals in the United States during the year to have been 487,918, an increase over the preceding year of 39,346, or approximately 9 per cent.

Of this increase 2,020 came through Canadian ports and the remainder through ports of this country. The ratio of increase of Italian immigration, as compared with those from the same country last year, is approximately 36 per cent., or more than threefold the ratio of increase from all Europe, and the increases numerically from all other countries of Europe aggregate scarcely one-fourth of that from Italy.

The total steerage immigration was distributed as to sex between 331,055 males and 156,863 females. During the year 363 were returned to their respective countries having become public charges within one year after landing.

The number refused a landing was 3,516, against 4,246 for last year.

Further Honors for Li.

Pekin, (By Cable.)—The Empress Dowager has issued another edict eulogizing the late Li Hung Chang and ordering the erection of a memorial arch near his birthplace. The edict also directs that the rank of marquis, conferred upon the eldest son of the late Chinese statesman in his own right, shall descend through 23 generations. It confers high rank upon the other sons of Earl Li, upon whom the posthumous rank of marquis has been bestowed, and confers dignities upon his grandsons, together with lucrative offices.

Buried Under Tons of Rock.

Columbus, Ohio, (Special).—Two men were killed and four injured as the result of the premature explosion of a blast at the Caspari's stone quarry, northwest of Columbus. The dead are A. M. Vacci and John M. Antonio.

The two men killed were working under a ledge and were buried under tons of rock. Thorne, the foreman, was hurled 35 feet in the air, but his injuries are not serious. One of the injured men, named Wilson, will probably die.

Good Beet Sugar Season.

Portland, Oregon, (Special.—Sugar beet raising and the manufacture of beet sugar is one of the infant industries of Oregon which has made rapid strides within the past three years. This season just closed has been the most profitable yet recorded. The factory at La Grande, which is the center of the sugar ...about completed its sea... ...ill be about 3,500,...

lime lessens the inj... ...together overcome it.

Those Gold Shipments.

Treasury officials say they feel no ap... prehension on account of the exports ...tions of gold. It is said Secretary Gage regards the shipments as a natural movement in view of the general demand for money in Europe, and that he believes there is nothing in the situation to cause uneasiness.

At this time there is an unusual demand for money in several European financial centers, and it is to be expected, it is said, that United States investors would take advantage of the increased interest rates.

Given Dignity by the New Dock.

The Navy Department has given the naval establishment at Algiers, La., the title of "Naval Station, Algiers, La." This station has been known as the "Naval Reservation, Algiers, La.," but with the ownership of the finest floating drydock of its class in the world, built at Sparrows Point, Md., and the numerous other improvements comes the added dignity of the title of "Naval Station."

Monitors to Stay Near Manila.

The coast defense monitors Monterey and Monadnock, sent to the Philippines soon after the victory of Manila bay, are to be kept in these waters indefinitely. Both are powerful fighting craft and were sent to Manila to strengthen the American fleet when it was feared a Spanish fleet would try to recapture Manila. They are of shallow draft and just the kind of ships suited for Phillippine waters.

May Examine Rural Postmen.

Superintendent A. W. Machen, of the free delivery system of the Postoffice Department, conferred with the members of the Civil Service Commission relative to the proposition to transfer the rural free delivery branch to the classified service. There are now between 6,000 and 7,000 persons employed in this work, and members of the commission and Postoffice Department officials alike almost decided the system should be embraced within the classified service. No decision was reached.