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# A SAFE BLOWN OPEN.

BURGLARS VISIT HAFNER'S NEWS AND CIGAR STORE Fell Between the Cars and His Body Badly ON EAST WASHINGTON STREET.

#### SEEN LEAVING THE BUILDING.

EFFECTED AN ENTRANCE THROUGH FRONT DOOR WITH AID OF CHISEL.

end of the Washington street bridge conducted by Albert H. Hafner was burglarized at an early hour this morn-

Entrance was gained through the front doors of the store, the same being sprung open by the use of a chisel and apparently a screw-driver.

Gaining access to the store the burglars seemingly paid their first attention to a Marvin safe located near the rear of the store.

They had previously visited the carriage shop of Joseph Shepherd near by where they had appropriated an old sledge-hammer a steel nail punch, two braces and bits, a chisel and a screwdriver the two latter of which they used in gaining an entrance to the

The facing of the door at a point near the lock was forced off from the inside of the door by the active leverage applied at a lower point from the outside.

The nail punch was tested on several parts of the front of the safe without seemingly satisfactory success. It is thought that the sledge was then brought into play and the dial handle of the safe given a rap which furnished a means for better work in the use of mitted was concerned. the nail-punch.

Three holes were made in the front of the safe and explosives introduced through the same.

Either before or during the progress of the drilling some member of the party paid attention to the cash register which was burst open in such manner as to render it comparatively use-

The explosion of the safe occurred at about ten minutes past 2 o'clock.

Oddly enough it seems to have been heard by only one person in the neighborhood, and he a colored man, "Sam" Henry, who lives nearly opposite the store.

Henry is afflicted with a throat trouble that prevents his sleeping soundly. He heard the report of the explosion and looking out of a front window at his home to learn the cause, naw a bright light in the Hafner store and a dense smoke issuing from the

At the same time he saw a man standing in front of the store and another man hurriedly rush out and join the other man, when both started on a run toward the railroad tracks at the rear of the building.

Either through fright, or some other cause he failed to give an immediate alarm, but an hour or two afterward advised Mr. Hafner that he thought

that his store had been burglarized. Mr. Hafner on being aroused, visited the store and recognizing the fact that the safe had been blown open, hasiened across the bridge to the home of Chief Vollmer, on the way advising Officer Reardon, who was on duty, of the burglary.

All this not until shortly before 6 o'cleck.

Chief Vollmer accompanied Mr. Hafner back to the scene where he made a thorough investigation, and also took charge of the implements above men-

tioned. The front of the safe door lay flat ter Fitch.

The cigar and news store at the east | on the floor near the counter: It was also found that two watches had been

> "The burglars secured," says Mr. Hafner, "only about \$20 out of the safe," and it is understood that in their haste they left behind quite a sum of nickels, as well as paying no attention to the cigar machines in which there amount in the safe.

> It was reported that the burglars also secured a quantity of silver coin in rolls amounting to perhaps \$75 but this report lacks official verification.

> It is believed to have been the work of some one well acquainted with the "lay" of the store, and whether or not, it was a bold piece of business.

A business man of South Norwalk had some dealings with a suave and well dressed sort of a stranger yesterday morning, and on the party leaving his store remarked, "I believe that man is a crook and we will hear of a burglary in town before long."

While this stranger may have had nothing whatever to do with the burglary, it is nevertheless true that the business man's prophecy proved to be a verity so far as a burglary being com-

#### Beginning of the End.

To-day in the court of common pleas, Attorney John H. Light will make a motion which will tend to close the litigation between Attorney Joseph A. Gray and Edward J. Wadhams. Wadhams, through Attorney Light, recently obtained judgment for \$400 against Gray, and Gray has obtained a judgment for \$60 against Wadhams. It is the purpose of Attorney Light to have the judgments cleared in such a way ment. that Attorney Gray will be forced to pay the balance against him at once.

#### Boxing To-night.

The boxing exhibition at the Norwalk Opera House to-night promises to draw a large crowd. The three interesting bouts have been arranged between Tom McInerney of Winnipauk of the different Legislatures, of adding and Young Scott of Yonkers, Billy Forsythe of Danbury and Mike Kearns | into the reasons, and stopped to think of Philadelphia, and Dan Keefe of Greenwich and Charles Fox of New York. Steve O'Donnell will referee, action by the state is really the taxing and Fred Coleman act as time-keeper.

#### Mrs. White's Paper.

A large gathering at the chapel of the First Congregational church last evening listened to the paper given by Mrs. G. Willis White upon "The truth as it is in Jesus." It was a very effective presentation of the superiority of the Christian, over all the great ethnic religions. The paper closed with an original poem of great beauty.

#### Capt. Vicker's Funeral.

The funeral of Capt. John Vickers will take place from David W. Raymond's undertaking rooms in South Norwalk, at 8 o'clock this Friday evening. Members of G. A. R. are invited to attend his funeral. The remains will be taken to Albany, N. Y., to-morrow for interment.

#### Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. James K. Price of Oakland, Cal., will celebrate their Golden Wedding anniversary at their home in that place Saturday, March 5, at 8 p. m., by giving a reception to their friends. Mrs. Price is well known | delivery messenger at the post-office. in Norwalk and is a sister of Mr. Wal-

## HIS HEAD CUT OFF.

A Brakeman's Horrible Death at Derby.

Mangled.

George Root, aged 19, a son of Conductor Thomas Root, who was employed as a brakeman on a Naugatuck division freight, was killed last night by falling between the cars. His body was frightfully mangled.

The accident occurred about 9 o'clock as a south bound freight was taking a swith on the east side of Derby. The young man was walking on top of the cars, and is supposed to have made a misstep. He fell in such a manner that he was thrown across the rails and three cars passed over him before the train was stopped. The top of his head was cut off and also both legs above the ankle. Mark Menton, another brakeman, saw the lantern falling between the cars and at once signalled to stop the train.

#### The Connecticut Mutual Life.

We print elsewhere to-day the anwere sums aggregating more than the | nual report of Colonel Greene, president of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, and the company's statement of its splendid strength and usefulness.

> During the year it has grown in all directions-in assets, in amount of insurance, in numbers of insured, and in surplus. Its strength is absolute. With securities, it has a clean surplus ex- arrange the meeting. ceeding seven and a quarter million dollars. It is insuring over 66,700 persons for a total of more than \$157,700,-000. The Connecticut Mutual is the largest moneyed institution in New England, and none is stronger.

But the company is not in the wild race for costly new business and for sudden greatness that some of its competitors are now engaged in-and wish they were not. The Connecticut Mutual is not willing to sacrifice the interests of its present members for the sake of getting new members at their expense. It is already large and strong to the point of complete independence and it considers its own members first. To these Colonel Greene says it "gives the most protection at the lowest cost."

From the organization of the Connecticut Mutual to January 1, 1898, it had received from its policyholders \$196,855,215.69. It had paid to them \$188,791,557.40, and it still holds for their benefit \$63,588,600.98. In these figures is found suggestive evidence of the strength of the company and the wisdom of its conservative manage-

Colonel Greene gives a good deal of space this year to the subject of the taxation of mutual life insurance companies, and what he says deserves the closest attention. The policy of our own state as well as that of other states in this matter is already burdensome, and there are threats, at each session to the load. It is time people looked what a mutual life insurance company is and what taxation of it means. Such of a loss not of a possession. Because the money is there in sight, some persons assume at once that it is a suitable subject for taxes. Let them read the clear statement in this report and they will see how illogical is such an assumption and how unfair and oppressive such a tax. The real agitation to-day should be for an entire removal of the tax, which is an arbitrary and unjust measure. There is no part of the report more important than this, none a very proper one. The state treasuries everywhere need guarding against the success of such raids leads to injustice and tyranny in the exercise of the taxing power.

The issue raised by this report should be kept before the people, until they realize the simple justice and common sense of it. The insured, whose interests it affects, can secure this result.

#### Boy Killed.

Albert Brittain, aged 16 years, was killed at the Sterling street crossing, Bridgeport, yesterday morning, by a train. He was employed as a special

-Advertise in the GAZETTE. .

#### MURPHY WAS EASY.

Tommy West Won in the Seventeenth Round.

Upwards of 2,500 spectators gathered in the Park City theatre, Bridgeport, last night to witness the boxing exhibition under the auspices of the Horizon Athletic club, with Tommy West of New York and Dan Murphy of Waterbury as the star attractions. The men were matched for 20 rounds at catchweights but West was given the decision after 2 minutes and 25 seconds of fighting in the 17th round.

The opening bout was between Jack O'Brien of New York and Jack Hannigan of Pittsburg, 15 rounds at 125 pounds. There was some lively work done in this bout during which O'Brien did most of the leading. Hannigan, however, more than held his own by clever ducking, and on more than one occasion by means of his ducking, he avoided O'Brien's fierce rushes, and the latter in his impetus went clear over his back. The announcement of a draw was received with favor.

#### Cattle Breeders to Meet.

The Connecticut Jersey Cattle Breeders' Association will hold a special meeting at Room 50 in the Capitol on March 3. There will be two sessions, at 10:30 and 1:30. The circular states that the object of the meeting is to discuss the Jersey cow of to-day, breeding, care and developing as demanded by the markets throughout the country. Valancey E. Fuller of New York, president of the American Jersey Cattle Club, and other prominent breeders will address the meeting. An invitation is extended to all. The circular is signed by S. C. Colt, the president of the association, and by Robert A. Potter, George Austin Bowen and D. its funds invested in the choicest of D. Bishop, a committee appointed to

#### Senator Keeler on Good Roads.

Senator E. O. Keeler wrote to the Connecticut Valley Highway Association, which met in Springfield yesterday: "I want to say public sentiment in favor of 'good roads' is simply 'booming' in Connecticut, and we have done more in the last three years to educate our people up to the great benefit and to the increasing valuation of all interests in our state from good roads than has been done in the previous 50 years or more, and the problem we are to work on now, is how to get them, and how can they best be paid 'for? Good roads will be a benefit to the farmers, the merchants, the manufacturers in fact, to everyone."

#### A Little Bridgeport Girl's Gift.

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt has sent a letter to Lalla Cook, a little Bridgeport girl, who wrote a letter to him, enclosing \$1 for the relief of "some little girl" who might have lost her father by the disaster to the Maine. The letter was addressed to a Bridgeport newspaper, which had transmitted the money, and was as follows: "Through you I want to thank little Lalla Cook for her gift, and to say that it shall be used just as she desires, and that the people in the navy are glad that the little American girl should have thought of the American sailors who were drowned while doing their duty."

#### Settling Up.

George F. Bearse, trustee of the insolvent estate of D. Stow, is paying seven and one-half cents on the dollar to the creditors. The receipts from all sources are \$957.45; preferred claims, \$39.16; expenses paid, including money allowed to the insolvent, \$701.87; balance, \$216.42. The liabilities are \$2,-

#### His Hand in a Hay-Cutter.

Milk-dealer J. S. Gainer, has a power cutter at his dairy in which he narrowly escaped sacrificing his right hand yesterday. That such sacrifice was not sounder. It is a timely publication and made, was, Mr. Gainer thinks, owing to a defect in one of the knives of the machine. As it was he escaped with a raids from outside; all the more because badly lacerated finger and a few cuts on the hand. He marvels at his good luck and regrets with pain his careless-

#### Lenten Services.

The services at St. Paul's church during the Lenten season will be as follows: Wednesdays, 10 a.m., Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, 4 p. m. The meetings in the chapel are: Fridays, omitting March 25, 10 a. m., Mondays and Fridays, 4 p. m. Wednesdays, with sermon, 7.30 p. m.

John Morlock, M. J. Craft and E Henson of Danbury were in town las

#### EVE'S RAMBLINGS.

#### COMMENT AND GOSSIP AMONG THE WOMEN, BY ONE OF THEM.

A dear old Quaker lady of my acquaintance who was asked what gave her such lovely complexion and what cosmetic she used, sweetly replied.

"I use for the lips, truth; for the voice, prayer; for the eyes, pity; for the hands, charity; for the figure, uprightness; for the heart, love."

In manner and appearance the Quaker blood gives its own charm.

Where others are loud-voiced, voluble, full of exaggerated gestures, and of ungraceful pantomime, the woman whose being is impressed with this sweet grace of self-control has a low voice, a calm manner, a subdued-not extravagant-action, and a sense of repose all through.

She moves with a certain stateliness that impresses you at first sight. Her whole attitude and bearing breathe dignity and proclaim self-respect.

Even her children, gathered up to her heart and resting on her knees, would not dare to let their love overflow into that kind of familiarity which is but the gateway to contempt.

Never to the end of time are her sons her hail-fellow well-met kind of companions-never do her daughters flout, deride, or censure.

"Mother" is to them the ineffacable image of beauty and greatness. They cou'd carry to her their sorrows, and ask her counsel in their difficulties.

But her sons would have held it sacrilege of the worst kind had they confided to her the tale of their youthful indiscretions and temptations, or sullied her mind by imparting the sad knowledge which must perforce rest on theirs.

This phase of the new woman is as foreign to her as all the restrand she trusts more to her unspoken influence than to the confidences of comradeship. She is a grand figure when she appears in our midst; and we bless the strain which keeps her so constant, so pure, so selfrespecting and so peaceful.

### A Daughter of Eve.

#### Slight Fire.

A lace curtain in a room habitated at night by Thomas C. Cavanagh at 2 Crescent Terrace, came in contact with Norwalk. Mr. Cunningham intends a gas jet one morning this week and was badly burned, together with some other light materials. The loss was not in excess of \$20.

#### Entertained.

Miss Hattie McPherson of Maple street entertained a number of friends Wednesday evening. Those present were Misses Edna Ainsworth, Lauretta Ainsworth, Carrie Schuman, Nellie Smith. Mrs. Florence Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Russell, Frederick Hanford, A. B. Russell, Howard Zeluff, Elbert Fitch and Frank Lauder.

#### Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The recent Benefit concert given by the Y. M. C. A. netted \$57.

Mrs. E. H. Hotchkiss, of Norwalk, will give a stereopticon lecture at the next monthly meeting in March. Mrs. Ira Cole has charge of the Bible class suppers for the month of March.

#### Dr. McGonegal Dead.

Dr. Henry G. McGonegal, who was serving a fourteen years' sentence for manslaughter in causing the death of Annie Goodwin in New York city in 1890, died in Sing Sing Prison Wednesday night, aged 84 years. Death was caused by old age and general debility. He was tried and sentenced in October, 1890. He had been in the hospital of the Sing Sing Prison for four years. His body was taken to New York for interment.

#### Confirmation.

Bishop-coadjutor Brewster will be at St. Paul's church, Sunday, April 17, to administer the rite of confirmation. Classes for instruction will be held in the chapel every Tuesday and Thursday evenings, beginning March 1.

Landlord Walz and ex-sheriff Swartz will attend the hotel association banquet at the Atlantic hotel in Bridgeport, to-night. The price of tickets is

Mrs. Mary E. Holmes has nearly recovered from her recent serious illness.

John Gorman is ill at his home on Plattsville avenue.

#### Denies that Roof Leaks.

Contractor Lyon who had charge of the tin and slate covering on the roofs of the new Methodist church, has his men at work placing the same in an entirely satisfactory condition to the church building committee. It was found that there was a leakage from under the cap flashings caused by the laying of brick during a cold spell, and the substitution of cement in the place of mortar is being made at the edge of the flashings. A report that the roofs leaked is denied by the contractor.

#### His Hand Gashed.

William O'Brien employed at the R. & G. corset factory received a severe cut on his left hand this morning from the hand of a shopmate. O'Brien had playfully pinched the shopmate on the shoulder wher the latter who had : knife in his hand suddenly swung around with the result that a gash was cut in O'Brien's hand that required eight stitches to close. It is said to have been purely accidental.

#### Postmaster at Winsted.

Congressman Hill has presented the name of Charles K. Hunt of West Winsted for the postmastership of the new consolidated office at Winsted at a salary of \$2,000, and Joseph H. Vaill, formerly editor of the "Winsted Herald" has been appointed assistant postmaster at a salary of \$1,000.

#### New Sizing Machine.

A new sizing machine was yesterday placed in the Crofut & Knapp hat manufactory.

Miss Adella Starr entertained a few friends at whist, at her home in Bayview avenue, Wednesday in honor of her guest, Miss Isabella Ola, of Bethel.

H. O. Smith, of Strawberry Hill, has recovered from a week's sickness of the

Mrs. W. B. Staples, of East Norwalk, attended the funeral of Mrs. Benjamin Northrup, in Ridgefield, Tuesday. Miss Anna Staab, a soloist of the

Norwalk Methodist church, is seriously ill at her home, corner of East and Westport avenues, suffering from melancholia.

Mrs. F. E. Stoddard and daughter Elfreda of Livingston place, are visiting in New York.

Charles H. Harvey, Jr., has moved from Col. Cunningham's house on West avenue to Chestnut street, South mence work at an early date.

#### The Weather.

Generally fair to-night and Saturday colder.

#### MARRIAGES.

PATCHEN - KELLOGG — In Lyons Plains, Feb. 22, by Rev. Alexander Hamilton, Clifford Patchen and Miss Jessie J. Kellogg.

LYMER-BRITTO—In Port Chester. Feb. 21, Raymond Lymer and Miss Katie Britto.

MONJO-ROGERS-In Stamford at the house of Robert Rogers, Weed avenue, Feb. 22, by the Rev. Samuel Scoville, Miss Jennie M. Rogers to F. N. Monjo. of Stamford.

DAVIES.-In East Norwalk, Feb. 22. son to Mr. and Mrs. William Davies of Osborn avenue.

BIRTHS.

#### DEATHS.

DUNN-In Bridgeport, Feb. 23, John H. Dunn, aged 55 years.

DORUS-In Bridgeport, Feb. 19th, John W. Dorus, aged 41 years. GILCHRIST— In Noroton Soldiers' Home, Feb. 21, John Gilchrist.

HALE—In Stratford, Feb. 21, Edna A., daughter of John P. and Hattie C. Hale, aged 2 years.

JENNINGS-In Southport, Feb. 18th, Charles H. Jennings. JUNE-In Riverbank, Feb. 18th, Agustus June, aged 74 years.

KANE-In Bridgeport, Feb. 23, Catherine Kane, aged 71 years, 7 months.

KUPFER-In Bridgeport, Feb. 24 John M. Kupfer, aged 51 years. MILLER-In Bridgeport, Feb. 17. Susan S. Hampton, wife of Charles A.

Miller, aged 36 years. MERWIN-In Bridgeport, Feb. 20, Sarah Florinda Merwin, widow of the late Horace Merwin of New Milford,

aged 79 years. OAKLEY-In Bethel, Feb. 22, Mrs. Edwin C. Oakley.

STAPLETON—In Bridgeport, Feb. 23, George, son of George and Bridget Stapleton, aged 30 years.

VON TAGEN-In Stratford, Feb. 21, Mrs. S. A. Snowden Von Tagen, only remaining daughter of the late Arthur H. and Laurentine B. Snowden, formerly of South Norwalk.

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## IN TERROR OF RIOTERS

Witnesses Tell of the Disorder at Lattimer Before the Shooting.

MEN CLUBBED BY STRIKERS

Sheriff Martin's Defence Making Rapid Progress---Large Number of Witnesses Examined Yesterday --- The Jurymen Permitted to Take a Bath.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 24.—The defense in the Lattimer trial called witnesses rapidly yesterday. They all told of being chased or being fired at by strikers. The testimony is almost without exception given in English, and rapid progress is made.

The jurymen showed great interest in an announcement made by Judge Woodward that if they desired they might take a bath at a bath house, where everybody else had been exclud-ed on the occasion. It is three weeks since the jurymen have bathed, as there are no conveniences of that kind in their present quarters in the court

Michael Becannon testified that on September 9, the day before the shooting, he was chased by a crowd of strikers armed with clubs and that he heard shots from a revolver.

August Winters, who works at the Pardee strippings, was chased from his work by six men armed with clubs. Next day a big crowd intercepted him on his way to work, and told him he would be killed if he went on.

Ludwig Lowden, a pump runner, swore that he had been driven from his work in spite of his telling the strikers that he was pumping the water out of the mines.

Robert Kilhouse, a boss at the Cranberry workings, told how he and two others were prevented from going to work by a crowd of strikers. The strikers, he said, threatened to kill the men if they did not obey them and keep away from the works. George Ermold, a mine foreman, said he was on his way to work on September 9 with his little son, nine years old. Strikers stopped them and attacked the boy and beat him. Lawrence Ermold, the boy who had been beaten by the strikers, testified as to his injuries.

Robert McHugh, a breaker hand,

swore that he was driven from his work by a crowd of strikers on September 9 He saw the crowd go to the woods and cut sticks for use as clubs. Many of them carried bludgeons shaped like a baseball bat.

George Manskill testified that he was stopped by a crowd of strikers on September 9 while on his way to work, and told that no workingman could get through alive.
Philemon Hotchkiss swore that he

saw the crowd chase John Kress and fire at him with revolver.

Jacob Williams, boss of the Craberry breaker, swore that the mob stoned the officers of the breakers and stoned a crew that passed on a coal train. The crowd also entered the breaker and drove the workmen out. They were armed with sticks and mine tools.

Witness went to the breaker tower under orders to transmit signals of the movements of the marchers. From there he saw the mob go into the yards and houses and drag several men out of the houses. He also saw the crowd go to a heap of scrap iron and take such pieces of iron as they could carry.

Mrs. Carrie Haas of Cranberry, saw the strikers drag a sick man out of his house and forced him to go to Lattimer with them. The man had been too sick to run away with the others. Several who ran into the bush were pursued and two shots fired at them.

During the cross-examination of a in the afternoon the alarm of fire sounded by the Court House bell boomed out. The fire was near the Court House, and Judge Woodward, old fireman that he is, adjourned court in order to give the spectators a chance to get to the blaze.

Rev. Dr. Hamlin, of Silver Brook, a Methodist minister, stated that armed strikers entered his yard and roughly handled and jostled him, pulled him on to the highway and forced him to march with them. He said he told them he was a minister of the gospel, but they paid no attention to that. He said he was rescued by Superintendent

The last witness for the day was W. H. Snyder, superintendent of the Silver Brook Coal Company. He declared the strikers surrounded the breaker and compelled the engineer to stop his

American Exhibit at Paris Exposition. New York, Feb. 24.—Thomas Wilbur Cridler, United States Commissioner to the Paris Exposition, accompanied by L. M. Haneburger, his assistant, and Lieutenant A. C. Baker, of the United States Navy, were among the passengers on the American liner New York, which sailed for Southampton yesterday. Commissioner Cridler and party will proceed at once to Paris to arrange for the allotment of space to American exhibitors, pending the passing of the bill in Congress providing for the erection of an American building at the ex-

Helped Cuba and Is in Prison.

Philadelphia, Feb. 24.-John D. Hart, president of the Hart Steamship Company, was yesterday taken to the Eastern Penitentiary to serve the sentence imposed upon him a year ago by Justice Butler in the United States District Court. Hart was convicted of aiding a Cuban filibustering expedition on the steamship Laurada and was sentenced to two years' imprisonment and to pay \$500 fine and costs. An appeal was taken to the United States Court of Appeals, but the finding of the lower tribunal was confirmed.

New York, Feb. 24.-Nothing definite is known as yet concerning the departure of the Spanish war vessel, Vizcaya, which is still at anchor off Tompkinskinsville, S. I. It is now thought by the police that she will remain here the remainder of the week at least. The crew is anxious for shore leave. They have heard of New York and only a few have visited it. Yesterday they got their first sight of the city. Since Sunday the weather has been such that only the few buildings of Tompkinsville were seen.

#### WITH CONFIDENCE.

That is the Way Norwalk Speaks, and that is the **Way Norwalk People** 

Act.

At first there was doubt. That was but natural, for people had been disappointed many times. But first a man in Norwalk spoke, then a woman in South Norwalk, and soon from all over both places are at heady of the property of the state of t both places arose the chorus of praises for C. C. C., California Catarrh Cure, and now people buy and use it in perand now people buy and use it in perfect confidence that it will do what it claims: that it will cure every form, every trace of catarrh. Read what Mrs. I. F. Williamson, 24 Spring street, South Norwalk, says: 'I got a bottle of California Catarrh Cure at Plaisted's Drug store, for my daughter Kitty, who has been troubled quite badly with catarrh, and she finds that it has helped her very much. My sister has also used the medicine with most satisfactory results medicine with most satisfactory results and joins me in saying that it is a fine medicine."

Catarrh in its fully developed forms is a hideous disease, involving decay, filth and actual rottenness, with most offensive odors in the very seat of the organs of taste and smell; firmly fixed there, it begins to attack the membrane lining of the passages leading to the lungs or the stomach, resulting either in consumption, or what is often called dyspepsia. It is really catarrh of the stomach, intestines, liver, kidneys and various internal passages. California Catarrh Cure will cure all forms of catarrh, and will check even incipient consumption. All dealers, 50 cents, three times as much, one dollar. three times as much, one dollar.

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Luetgert to Sell His Photographs.

Chicago, Feb. 24.-Adolph Lucigert has evolved a new plan by which to procure money to defray the expense of taking his case to the Supreme Court. He will sell pictures of himself Upon each photograph he will write his name. He believes that his photographs will sell rapidily all over the country.

#### Morris Gets One Year.

Newark, Feb. 24.-Owen Morris, hose case has gained wide publicity because of its similarity to Frederick G. Agens. Jr., was yesterday sentenced in the Court of Quarter Sessions to one year's insprisonment in the penitentiary at hard laber. Morris recently pleaded non vult to a charge of manslaughted. In a quarrel at Sussex avenue and High street, on January 11 last, Morris struck John Maltby several blows. Maltby was found dead in an areaway shortly after the fight. Morris had disappeared. Soon after he surrendered himself to the police.

#### Order for 5,000 Box Cars.

Gmaha, Feb. 24.-A dozen railroad car building concerns of Chicago, Boston several New York Cittle agents here trying to secure the contract for furnishing the new Union Pacific with 5,000 box cars. The contract will be awarded by President Burt in person within the next few days. This s one of the largest orders for box car equipment ever given in the world. It will supply the main line and all its branches.

#### NEWS IN BRIEF.

A coal rate war in Plainfield, N. J. has brought the price down to \$3.85 a Major-General Roe, at Albany, denies

that he has ordered the organizations of the National Guard to be in readiness for service. Officers of the Oxford University Athletic Club said the status of American

collegiate athletes was too low to permit an acceptance of the challenge to an international contest. William R. Foster, under indictment for forgery in connection with the Gratuity Fund of the Produce Exchange

of New York was released yesterday on \$20 000 bail The officers of the United States ruiser Montgomery report that 14,000 people are starving in Matanzas, Cuba. and that both the Spanish authorities and the American Consul have ex-

hausted their means of rendering as-

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It Swept Down a South Quebec Cliff, and

KILLED BY AN AVALANCHE.

Quebec. Que., Feb. 24.-Four lives were lost in an avalanche at South Quebec Tuesday night, and two houses, built directly under the cliff, opposite the Grand Trunk Railway sheds, were destroyed. The disaster occurred without a moment's warning. One house was crushed down by the weight of the snow, while the upper stories of the other were cut clean off from the first story and overturned in front of it upon the street. A whole family named Labrecque were in this upper part of the house during its somersault and escaped practically unhurt. In the lower flat resided a man named Angers, his wife and six children. The father and two children, aged two and five, were taken out dead. Mrs. Angers is in a critical condition, and four children es-

caped. In the other house James King resided with his wife, son and daughter. Mr. King and his son and daughter escaped serious injury, but Mrs. King is still under the ruins and is undoubtedly dead.

#### An Alaska Avalance.

Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 24.-Two weeks ago an avalanche came thundering down the mountain slopes at the south end of Lake Bennett, in Alaska. An immense mass of snow and ice was deposited on the Klondike trail and 200 tons of supplies were buried many feet. Their owners had stacked them up together in what seemed to be a sheltered spot while they were whipsawing lumber for boat building. They are now trying to dig out their outfits. So far as learned no one was injured by the avalanche. This news was brought down by John Ohlegschlager, who has just arrived here from Alaska

AUTONOMY A FAILURE.

Lee's Statement to Be Sent to Congress sin the Correspondence.

Washington, Feb. 24.-When the correspondence now being prepared on the Cuban situation is sent to Congress it will contain some startling information,

autonomy is a failure.

General Lee after giving his positive opinion in regard to the Sagasta policy, discusses at length the condition of the Island under General Blanco and gives his views on the new plan of government. General Lee's letter, while dated December 13, is corroborated by letters later in the month from all the Consuls on the island. All make the same statement.

The Consuls report terrible suffering and loss of life all over the island, and say that two-thirds of the inhabitants have died since the beginning of the war from disease and starvation. These letters will be sent to Congress in the correspondence which was asked for by the House, but it is the Administra-tion's plan now not to send it to Congress until the Maine matter is settled. Much speculation is being indulged in

as to what course the President will pursue after the correspondence is made public, because, in his annual message, he taed distinctinly that if autonomy was a failure he would act.

#### WONDERFUL WORK.

If This Had Happened in San Francisco Instead of Norwalk More Than One Reader Would Dispute It.

The average man is a doubter. It is due to this fact, coupled with necessity that such rapid strides have been made in mechanics and science. Curiosity and investigation are necessary in every business. Without it failure is the inevitable result. Norwalk people are asked to investigate the following; it is a simple thing to do. The party interested is a South Norwalk citizen. He doesn't live in Detroit or New York. Ask Chas. E. Warren, son of the well

known oyster planter, George N. Warren, of 2 Chestnut street, South Norwalk, if the following is not literally

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Glendening & Co., the druggists have scores of customers who testify just as emphatically about the results received from Doan's Kidney Pills as Mr. Warren's son. Drop in and see them.

#### MAINE WAS BLOWN UP

By an Explosion on the Port Bow, Outside.

Havana (via Key West), Feb. 24.-Divers have discovered cases of brown hexagonal powder for the ten-inch guns unexploded, and, believing also that others unexploded will be found in the ten-inch magazine on the stargrows that this magazine did not growns that this magazine did not blow up.

If this be so-and many have insisted from the first that it is-the further conviction is forced that the explosion which wrecked the Maine came from the outside on the port bow.

The main portion of the wreck, as seen from above and noted from below, was blown to starboard. The highest American officials here

are confident that General Blanco and the other high Spanish officials had no knowledge, direct or indirect, of the conception or execution of a plot to blow up the Maine, if such a plot existed; but they believe the junior Spanish officers, who, from the nature of things, are more conversant with modern explosives than their elders and superiors, were at the bottom of the disaster, if there was any outside



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## AWAITING THE RESULT

Secretary Long Says Public Clinion Should Be Suspended.

NO INFORMATION RECEIVED

Evidences of Increasing Anxiety, However--Accident Theory Apparently Losing Ground--Confidence in the President--Change in Policy.

Washington, Feb. 25.—Secretary Long yesterday, in answer to inquiries whether the department was suppressing information concerning the disaster to the Maine, wrote the following: Navy Department, Washington, D. C.,

Feb. 24, 1898: 'No telegram has been received from either Admiral Sicard, or Captain Sampson, or Captain Sigsbee since yesterday, and the department has received no information with regard to the disaster that has not already been made public. The department is waiting the result of the inquiry, and public opinion should be suspended until some official information is received.

"JOHN D. LONG."

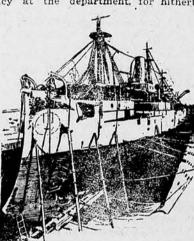
ANXIETY AT THE DEPARTMENT. Evidence That the Accident Theory Is

Losing Ground. Washington, Feb. 25.-Secretary Long and Assistant Secretary Day both pro-

nounce the situation unchanged. Despite these assurances, it is apparent that the tension at the department is greatly increased, and that the anxiety and suppressed excitement among the officials in the State War and Navy departments is greater than at any time since the days immediately succeeding the explosion of the Maine.

While no dispatches have been re-ceived, it is known that the mail has come from the South and that reports have been received which must contain information in regard to the disaster. It is clearly apparent that the accident theory, which has been so strenuously adhered to by the officials. is gradually being disproved, and the belief in it is slowly but surely fading

This is shown by the change in policy at the department, for hitherto



THE EFFECT OF A TORPEDO. -From a photograph.

The Brazilian Battleship Aquidaban is the only one that ever encountered a torpedo. She was captured by Rebels and sunk by a Government torpedo. Afterwards she was raised and repaired. Our cut shows her in dry dock with shattered bow.

there has been a desire and inclination to make everything public as soon as received, but the doors of the office are now closed, and the lips of the officials sealed. No dispatches or information isplayed on the bulletin boards, and Assistant Secretary Day, while acknowledging the receipt of the mail pouch from the United States Consulate in Havana, said that he could not discuss it. For the last few days the mail from Havana has gone direct to Assistant Secretary Day, who nas opened all the letters from Consul-Jeneral Lee, and no one else has been allowed to see them. They have not allowed to see them. They have not even been indexed by the index clerk, and after Judge Day has rad them they have been locked in the safe. The President alone, besides the Assistant Secretary, knows their contents. Therefore, all sensational rumors about the information General Lee has sent to the department are products of the imagination. Judge Day has officially denied many of the stories.

Letters received by families of officers on the Maine give clear indications that the general belief among those officers is that the Maine was not destroyed by an accident. It is, however, the absence of official telegrams which is causing the anxiety now apparent at the department. It is claimed that if the evidence was increasing to show that it was an accident, the department would be in posssession of it, and would immediately give it publicity. But instead of doing this, the only information furnished is denials of interview alleged to have been given by officials and divers, and it is very evident that the intent of the officials here is to try

and suppress the excitement.

Notwithstanding the anxiety felt, there has never been a moment when the confidence in the President's ability to handle the question has been doubted. He is as firm to-day in his policy of maintaing peace with honor as he was when the excitement first started. So far he has had Congress in absolute control, and while he fully understands and appreciates the situation, he is still determined to prevent any direst conflict or war.

The situation, therefore, is that the administration has a full understanding of the situation, but a reliant appreciation that that it is prepared to meet it, no matter how grave the out-come. The President has talked with members of Congress and they understand his views, and the views of the Cabinet. The vote Wednesday on the Allen resolution shows that the Senate had not lost its conservatism, and that, as Senator Platt, of Connecticut, said. It is willing to allow the President and his officials to carry out their policy without interference.

It is stated that in case the report of the Court of Inquiry shows that Spain was in some way responsible for the explosion, even this would not necessarily lead to war, for the President, in conversation with members of Congress, has repeatedly said that Spain,

during the past year, has done everything requested of her by the United States, and that there is no reason to doubt that she would comply with any reasonable demand, based on the facts as developed by the Court of Inquiry.

This is taken to mean that should it become necessary to require an indemnity for the loss of the vessel and the lives of the sailors, the President has no doubt that Spain would comply. It has been hinted in Congressional as well as official circles, that influential financiers would be willing to advance the amount of the indemnity demanded, rather than see a declaration of war and that this intimation has been con veyed to the Administration and this has given confidence to the President of a peaceful and honorable conclusion of the affair, should the worst fears be realized.

There is some expression of surprise among naval officers that since Congress has increased the artillery by two regiments it had done nothing to aid the Navy Department to man the four vessels now held in reserve at League Island. These are the Columbia, the Minneapolis, the Miantonomah and the Katahdin. These vessels only have a crew large enough to keep them in order, but not enough to man them for a cruise.

#### THE PRESIDENT'S ATTITUDE.

General Powell Says He Only Waits the Official Report to Take Action.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 25.-General W. H. Powell, of Belleville, who was in command of the regiment in which President McKinley served during the Civil War, and who was recently ap-pointed Collector of Internal Revenue for the southern Illionis district, has just returned from Washington. General, who is a personal friend of President McKinley, said that while at the capital he discussed the Maine incident and its possible results with the Chief Executive.

"The President stated to me," said the General, "that he was only waiting for a complete report of the Naval Board of Inquiry, and that should it report that our sailors had met their death through Spanish treachery he was prepared to act at once, and in a manner which would meet the approval of every loval American citizen."

General Powell said preparations for war were being pushed with the utmost

vigor, and added: "I am convinced that President Mc-Kinley is the right man in the right place, and that as soon as the Spanish treachery has been proven his policy will be rigid enough to meet the approval of even the most pronounced

#### DELOME LOVES AMERICA.

Former Minister From Spain Reiterates His Regard for Uncle Sam.

Queenstown, Feb. 25.-Senor Dupuy Lome, former Spanish Minister at Washington, who was a passenger on the White Star steamer Britannic, from York, which touched here at 7 P. M. last evening on her way to Liverpool, was interview with reference to the disaster to the United States warship Maine in Havana harbor.

Senor de Lome said he could only repeat his expressions of deep regret, and that he knew it was quite impossible for Spaniards to view it in any other light. Spaniards, he declared, wanted peace, and not war. He had many friends among the officers of the Maine and he loved them and America."

"Whatever the cause of the accident." said Senor de Lome, "it could not not have been due to the agency of the Spanish people."

#### Spain Will Not Sell Cuba.

London, Feb. 25 .- The Madrid correspondent of the Standard says:

Spanish statesemen of every shade of opinion are simply amazed and indignant at the idea that Spain would ever consent to sell Cuba. The suggestion would expose the monarchy to an irresistible movement of popular feeling, shared by the army and navy.

"From a financier's viewpoint it is equally impossible, because the price suggested would not half cover the Cuban debt, which is almost entirely held by Spaniards."

#### For More Artillerymen.

Washington, Feb. 25.—The increase of the artillery force of the country by two regiments, as provided for in the Senate bill, was agreed on by a sub-committee of the House Military Affairs Committee yesterday, and will be reported to the full committee to-day.

#### La Champagne Not Sighted.

New York, Feb. 25.-The French Line steamship La Champagne was not reported up to 5 o'clock this morning. Even allowing for the delays incident to such weather as has prevailed on the North Atlantic of late she should have been reported some time during Monday last. The agents yesterday admitted that the further delay of three days could be accounted for only on the theory that she has met with an accident, but not necessarily serious accident. They feel sure that such is not the case and believe that in the rough seas she has encountered a derangement of machinery.

#### Baltimore Bank Goes Up.

Baltimore, Feb. 25.—Jupdge Sharp yesterday appointed Simon P. Schott receiver for the Bank of South Baltimore, on Light street, near Hughes. The assets are estimated at \$120,000 and the liabilities at \$170,00. The bond is for \$200,000. There is a cash shortage of \$4,700 and an obvious deficit of \$9,762.33. produced by shrinkage of values. The larger part of the deposits, amounting to some \$130,000, are by poor persons.

#### Sam Jones Not a Candidate.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 25.-Sam Jones has etired from the Gubernatorial race as inceremoniously as he went in. He says all the newspapers are against him. He retires in favor of Candler. The general opinion is that he never was in earnest n his candidacy and took this method of saying a good word for Candler. He signs his withdrawal, "Ex-Candidate Jones, limited, per Sam P. Jones."

Gladstone Will Undergo an Operation. London, Feb. 25 .- The St. James Gaette says it is informed that Mr. Gladtone will shortly undergo an operaion to aleviate the pain caused by ne-rosis of the bone of the nose, from which, it is alleged, he is suffering.

# LOOKS BAD FOR SPAIN

Belief, but Yet No Proof, That the Maine Met Foul Play.

RESULT OF DIVERS' WORK

Indications That the Battleship's Forward Magazine Did Not Explode--None of the Officers of the Board of Inquiry Will Talk. '

Havana, by boat to Key West, Feb. 25.-Reports, sensational, warlike and reassuring, are flying about so thick and fast in this city that it is next to impossible to acertain the truth re garding the disclosures relative to the Maine disaster.

True, most of the stories afloat are belligerent in their tone, but their number is no voucher for their accuracy, though to an outsider the situation looks extremely grave.

Newspaper correspondents here are sending to their papers, on their own authority, reports which are based on rumors. For instancé, there was a rumor afloat that the Board of Inquiry had reached a conclusion regarding the cause of the great disaster. Immediately reports were sent to New York that the Maine was surely blown up by a sub-marine mine or torpedo; that the board had so concluded, and that there could be no shadow of doubt that Spaniards had destroyed the American battle ship.

As a matter of fact, there are many doubts in the minds of dispassionate outsiders

The Board of Inquiry has kept its proceedings as secret as a grand jury. None of the officers will talk. Outsiders are not allowed (and never have been, despite contrary reports)\_to go near the wreck, and so it will be seen how speculative all news of necessity

must be that emanates from this city. Summed up, there are many persons who believe the Maine met foul play, though there is no proof of this yetwithout the Inquiry Board has secured

it, and if it has, it is a State secret.
It is useless to atempt to enumerate the number of coincident stories and theories which are circulating on the causes of the disaster, nearly all going to prove that the explosion was intentional. One of the most mysterious coincidences is that a man, who seemed to be a Spaniard, came to the American Consulate a few days before the explosion and, addressing himself to Mr. Hyatt, whom he mistook for Consul Lce, said:
"Mr. Consul, I have come to inform

you that the Maine is going to be blown up. Take the vessel away and let me go with it, otherwise I am a lost man."

Mr. Hyatt has charge of the distribution of American supplies for the reconcentrados. He is daily approached by hundreds of weeping women and men who are half deranged owing to the effects of starvation, so he paid no attention to the man who addressed Vice Consul Springer. Mr. Hyatt motioned to Mr. Springer to pay no attention to the stranger, that he seemed

The day before the explosion this men came to the consulate three times. He was much excited. Since then no one has seen him.

#### WILD UTTERANCES OF A PRIEST.

Says That American Catholics Must Stand by Spain in Case of War.

Rondout, N. Y., Feb. 25.-There is great excitement here over the utterances of the Rev. F. Weber, assistant priest at St. Peter's German Catholic hurch in this city, who after delivering the funeral sermon of Frank Martinelli, a member of St. Peter's Com-mandery, Knights of St. John, made a political address, in which he reviled the United States and told the members of the commandery that it was their duty as loyal Catholics to take up arms against the United States and fight for Spain in the event of war being declared by this country.

The address caused consternation among the audience and several persons arose and left the church in anger. There were few sympathizers with the priest's sentiments, and the address was most distasteful.

The priest said that under no cir-cumtances should Catholics fight against Spain, a Catholic nation; and as for President McKinley and the Cabinet, the priest said it would be an excellent thing were they all blown up.

#### Waterbury Physician Suicides.

New York, Feb. 25.-Dr. William H. Holmes, a prominent physician of Waterbury, Conn., died at the Adendale Sanifarium, Gravesend, yesterday afternoon, from stab wounds in the abdomen, self-inflicted. Crazed by opiates, Dr. Holmes made the attempt on his life last Sunday afternoon in his private room at the sanitarium. Eluding the vigilance of his attendants, he obtained possession of a pair of scissors and stabbed himself repeatedly in the abdomen. Dr. Holmes was admitted as a patient to the sanitarium several weeks ago to be treated for the opium

#### Two Negroes Lynched.

Mayfield, Ky., Feb. 25.—A mob of about 300 or 400 citizens of Mayfield and Graves County gathered from different points in the outskirts of the city and dragged Richard Allen and Thomas Holmes, colored, out of the jail, carried them to the court house yard and swung them to a tree. Allen was arrested several days ago for burglary. He was a member of a gang who are responsible for wholesale robberies in this vicinity. Summary justice will be meted out to the others if captured. Holmes killed his wife six months ago.

#### Edison Sues the Picture Showman

New York, Feb. 25 .- Thomas A. Edison has brought in?ringement suits in the United States Court for the Southern District of New York against several manufacturers and exhibitors of novable film pictures in this city. Mr. Edison's purpose is to find out how nuch damages he has suffered from he alleged infringement of his kinetoecpe patents, and to obtain a permant injunction against the use of any nstrument for exhibition purposes, exept by those who are willing to pay

#### LAWLESSNESS BY STRIKERS.

Witnesses for the Defense So Testify at Sheriff Martin's Trial.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 25.-The defense in the Lattimer shooting case introduced a lot of witnesses yesterday to prove the riotous conduct of the strikers in the region prior to the shooting. They were heard rapidly and their evidence was concise and to the point.

One witness every twelve minutes is the record of the defense, and at this rate, thirty a day, their evidence should be all in by next Monday or Tuesday. The Commonwealth had a record of one every hour during the two weeks of its presentation of evidence. The defense will be slower when the deputies go on the stand. All of them are to be heard, and their examination and cross-examination will be long. The Sheriff is expected to take a whole day to himself.

The first witness, William H. Gardner, of Silver Brook, said that he ran from his house when the strikers came, but they saw and pursued him. He said that five shots were fired at him, one passing through his coat.

Peter Rinker, of Silver Brook, said

one of the strikers had told him that if any English people went back to work they would be killed.

Charles Meikrantz, of Silver Brook, testified that he was captured by the strikers and compelled to march with them. He escaped and, being captured, was beaten with a club. Rudolph Heinzinan, of Silver Brook,

saw whole families forced to leave their homes through fear of the strikers. 'They forced me to go with them," he Robert Airey, a breaker boss, said that the strikers stopped his breaker

and broke several of the windows. They had clubs and bits of scrap iron. On September 3 they forced him into their James Long, a relative of Matt Long,

of the Prosecution Committee and foreman, testified that he had sent his men home when the strikers approached.

The prosecution objected to the question, "Why did you send them home?" but Judge Woodward said that as this was the gist of the whole matter, he should allow the question. Witness replied that he did so because a day or two before a number of men had been hurt by strikers near the same place. Charles Dunn, a stationary engineer

and a war veteran, told how he had stopped his engine for fear of the strikers, because their interference with the hoisting endangered the lives of the men in the mine. Levy Bellit said because he wouldn't

march along with the strikers from Yorktown one of them threatened to run a knife into him.

Paul Dinhoffer, one of the Yorktown employers, saw some of the strikers throw stones at Superintendent Hays. William Colkin, of Jeanesville, was called out of his house by six strikers armed with clubs, who threatened to brain him if he did not march along with them.

Dennis McGinley, a conductor on a Lehigh Valley Railroad coal train at Cranberry, was stoned and badly cut by the strikers, and forced off his train at the point of a "miner's needle," a sharp piece of iron four feet long.

September 2 Samuel Barlow, at Mc-Adoo and Ebervale, saw 200 armed strikers stone the breaker, flourish their knives, and shoot revolvers. They were very boisterous and threatening. September 7 they drove the Eberville men out and attacked the office there and tried to assault Superintendent John Scott, who was obliged to draw a revolver to protect himself.

#### ON PAUNCEFOTE'S TRAIL.

Alleged Efforts to Make British Ambassador Follow De Lome.

London, Feb. 25.-The Daily Mail this morning alleges that attempts have been made by newspapers in London and New York to obtain some letters that the British Ambassador to the United States, Sir Julian Pauncefote, is supposed to have written, containing strong expressions regarding the American Senate's rejection of the arbitration treaty.

The idea, according to the Daily Mail, was to compel Sir Julian to follow Se-nor Dupuy de Lome. The paper adds: "The campaign failed, but it is evident that Sir Julian Pauncefote will have to tread warily.'

New York, Feb. 25.-Under orders from New York, with sealed instructions, the Vizcaya will leave New York to-day. Havana is believed to be her destination. All last night her crew worked at taking on coal, and as soon as the last bushel is on board she will weigh anchor and pass out to sea. Word that she was to sail was conreyed to the captain yesterday about P. M. An hour before information to this effect was sent to Consul General Baldasano, who at once communicated with Captain Eulate, and said that further orders would be brought to him

Mrs. Manning Elected President-General. Washington, Feb. 25.-Mrs. Daniel Manning, of New York, was yesterday elected president-general of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The total number of votes polled was 534. Mrs. Manning received 396, Mrs. Donald McLean 100 and Mrs. Rose Brackett 22. President and Mrs. McKinley received the delegates to the congress yesterday at the White House.

#### New Bishop Coadjutor.

Philadelphia, Feb. 25.-With solemn and impressive ceremonies and in the presence of a large assemblage of the aity and Catholic clergy, the Rev. John E. Fitzmaurice, D. D., heratefore rector of the seminary of St. Charle, Borromeo at Overbrook, was yesterday consecrated bishop coadjutor of the dio-

#### Mrs. Clara Stoddard Dead.

Chicago, Feb. 25 .- Mrs. Clara Stoddard died at the Hotel Metropole from oneumonia. She was the wife of Gideon Stoddard, of Philadelphia, and enloyed the reputation of being one of the wealthiest women in the States. Mr. Stoddard left for Philadelphia yesterday with the body of his

After a discussion of the conviction of Zola the Chamber of Deputies at Paris resterday voted confidence in the Cov-

grament by 416 year to 41 mays.

#### NORWALK GAZETTE

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1898.

#### The Threat of War.

The relations between our government and Spain have been seriously strained during the last year, and it will not be doubted that the loss of our great battleship in the Havana harbor is likely to intensify the war feeling on both sides. The President has very properly given notice that until there shall be conclusive evidence to the contrary, he must accept the loss of the battleship Maine as due to accident. He could not assume any other position and command the respect of the counbry or of the civilized nations of the would, says the Philadelphia Times.

There are two causes, each potent in its M, which are a constant menace to the peace of the two nations. One is the intense popular prejudice cherished in each country against the other. There is always peril to the peace of gations when a popular sentiment clamors for war. It matters not how unfounded or well founded the clamor for war may be, there is always danger of war when public sentiment favors it. The people of the United States have no sympathy with Spain and profoundg detest her fiendish policy in Cuba. The people of Spain are wildly prejudiced against the United States; are implacable in their hostility to the surrander of Cuban independence, and Spain, although a despotic government is as amenable to popular clamor as is the popular government of this coun

The other menace to the peace of the two countries is the absolute inability of the Spanish crown to maintain itself if Cuba shall attain her independence The day that Spain may be compelled to accept the independence of Cuba would surely precipitate a revolution by the Spanish people, and destroy the ruling dynasty. Considering that Smin demonstrated to the world her inability to conquer the Cuban insurrection, is is evident that Spain must find some new inspiration to make the meople sustain the crown, and that can Be done only by a war with the United States. Such a war would be immense-By popular with the Spanish people, and it would enable the Spanish govcomment, in a treaty of peace with the United States, to assent to Cuban independence upon the payment to Spain of a reasonable compensation.

These two causes are the great obstato the dispassionate and fair adjustmest of the complications which may wise from the loss of the battleship Maine. Even though it shall be demontrated that the explosion occurred within the vessel, there will be a very general belief throughout the country that in some way the vessel was destroyand by persons acting in the interest of The Spanish government; and if it shall the shown that the vessel was destroyed an outside torpedo, it would tax the wers of diplomacy to the uttermost au maintain peace between the two nanons. Indeed, if such a condition should be presented it would be next an impossibility to prevent war between the two countries.

B is the plain duty of the President stand resolutely against a war with Spain until he can no longer resist it monsistently with the honor of the Republic. Our government has been remiss in not granting belligerent rights the Cubans and in not enforcing the humanities of war on both sides. Those daties should have been performed, and if Spain made such efforts of this government a cause for war, we could wely accept it, and meet the issue as his government has met every like issue for more than a century. If war shall come it must come by the act of Spain; but the fact that Spain seems sesirous of war should not make our government swerve a hair's breadth from the line of duty to the enlightened rivilization of the age. Let us avoid war if it can be done in justice to our great government, but if war must rome we shall be prepared to meet it.

#### Our Yellow-Kid Journalism.

We are just now in the midst of a harvest for yellow-kid journalism The ramors of war with Spain have created intense interest throughout the entire and for the reckless journalism that is in THE CAZETTE will be read.

now struggling for mastery in some of the leading cities, to flood the country with sensational falsehoods relating to the loss of the battleship Maine, and to the probabilities of war between Spain and the United States.

The centre of the yellow-kid journalism is in New York, but it is not confined to that city, and it has a new sensation for almost every hour of the day says the Philadelphia Times. As many as half a score editions of yellow-kid journals have been issued in one day, each in most instances correcting some falsehood in one of the former editions, and yet furnishing a liberal supply of new falsehoods invented with mingled malignity and cunning, to intensify the war feeling of the country and increase the sale of what are by courtesy called newspapers.

There has not been an honest statement relating to the loss of the battleship and the probabilities of war with Spain published in the leading yellow kid journals since the loss of our war vessel in Cuban waters, with the single exception of the official statements given out daily by the administration, and made necessary by their false and sensational publications. The interests of national tranquility and of truth compel the President through the State or Navy Departments, to give out daily an official contradiction of the scores of sensational and generally utterly false rumors of war which the yellowkid journals flaunt hourly into the faces of the people.

Fortunately yellow-kid journalism represents but a very insignificant part of the journalism of the nation. There are in all the leading cities thoroughly representative American journals which publish the truth for the sake of the truth, and which make exhaustive effort regardless of cost, to furnish all the news relating to our Spanish struggles, and print only what appears to be properly accredited. But for these journals which adhere to the truth and seek to restrain the passions and conserve the actions of the people, the country to-day would be in a condition little short of anarchy. Values have been wantonly disturbed, business tranquility interrupted, and popular prejudices inspired among the people which may make it difficult for the government to perform the duty that the President in the end must perform with fidelity, in dealing in even and exact justice with Spain.

If there is cause for war, the government will not shrink from declaring it. If there is not cause for war, the government will not shrink from admitting it, regardless of the floodtide of sensational falsehood that comes from the putrid fountain of yellow-kid journalism. The people do not want to be deceived, and if they would not be deceived about our relations with Spain they should resolutely spurn the yellow-kid journals of the country which seek success and profit by pandering

The newspapers which present the truth for the sake of the truth are well known in every community, and they should be carefully studied by all classes and conditions as they point the way to national safety. Above all, let every decent citizen, and especially every business man, resent the yellowkid journalism of to-day that seeks only to inflame and disturb when all selfrespecting journals and citizens should seek to tranquilize and maintain the majesty of justice.

#### HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with irine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates in unhealthy condition of the kidneys When urine stains linen it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order. WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad ef-fects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail. Mention THE GAZETTE, and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

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#### LEGAL NOTICES.

The co-partnership formerly existing between William M. Terry, John R. Woodhull, and James E. Woodhull, and doing business at Stamford and Norwalk, Connecticut, under the firm name of William M. Terry & Co., is this day dissolved by the withdrawal of said James E. Woodhull. All bills will be paid by the remaining partners, who continue the business under the the same name and are alone authorized to receive and receipt for any debts due said firm.

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#### INCOME.

Received for Premiums \$42,693,201 99 11,469,406 24 From all other Sources \$54,162,608 23

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

To Policy=holders for Claims by Death \$13,279,630 66 To Policy=holders for Endowments, Dividends, etc. 12,712,424 76 For all other Accounts 10,132,005 57 \$36,124,060 99

#### ASSETS.

United States Bonds and other Securities \$132,017,341 45 First Lien Loans on Bond and Mortgage 69,423,937 31 12,880,308 00 Loans on Stocks and Bonds 21,618,454 88 Real Estate Cash in Banks and Trust Companies 11,705,195 82 Accrued Interest, Net Deferred Premiums, etc. 6,141,200 20 \$253,783,437 66 218,278,243 07 Reserve for Policies and other Liabilities \$35,508,194 59 Surplus \$936,634,496 63 Insurance and Annuities in Force

I have carefully examined the foregoing Statement and find the same to be correct: liabilities calculated by the Insurance Department. CHARLES A. PRELLER, Auditor.

From the Surplus a dividend will be apportioned as usual

## Report of the Examining Committee.

Office of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York.

To the Honorable, The Board of Trustess of

THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

The undersigned, a Committee appointed by your honorable body, on the twentysecond day of December, 1897, to examine the Annual Statement of the Company and to verify the same, respectfully

#### REPORT

That, pursuant to the power and authority thereby conferred, the Committee have, at various dates between the date of the said reference and the date of this Report, attended at the office of the Company, and have been waited on. by the Treasurer, the Comptroller, the Auditor, and the Cashier, together with the respective assistants of such officers and have carefully gone over all the items contained in the said Statement, and have found the same to be correct. They have examined and counted every certificate of stock, bond and other obligation held by the Company, and compared the prices at which the same are carried in said Statement with the market quotations, and find the same not exceeding such quotations-in fact, in many cases below them. They have examined and counted the bonds and mortgages on real property held by the Company, and find the same to be as stated. They have also verified the valuation of the Company's holdings of real estate and have verified the deposits of money in the various banks and trust companies, and have counted the cash on hand held by the Cashier.

And the Committee certify that all the books, papers, documents, and evidence of title of every description necessary in such examination have been freely submitted to the Committee by the said officers and their assistants, and that

the same are accurate, in good order, and well kept.

And the Committee further certify that the investments of the Company are of a high order, and that the system and methods adopted by the Company in recording its transactions and caring for the assets are entitled to commendation. All of which is respectfully submitted. CHAS. R. HENDERSON ELBRIDGE T. GERRY A. N. WATERHOUSE NEW YORK, January 21, 1898. S. V. R. CRUGER J. HOBART HERRICK JAMES C. HOLDEN.

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#### LOCAL AND OTHER NEWS.

Miss Bessie Paterson of New York is visiting friends in town.

Ira F. Hoyt of the Sterling Opera House, Derby, was in town yesterday.

There will be a special meeting to night at St. Peter's German church.

The W. C. T. U. are holding their regular weekly meeting with Mrs. R. T. Makin of Day street this afternoon.

Joseph Klinefelter who has been assisting in Albin Malmo's market for a few months during Mr. Malmo's illness will leave Saturday night.

Privates Albert W. Hesse and Samuel H. Norton for expiration of term of service, and Dewitt K. Peck, for nonresidence have received discharges from Co. D, Fourth regiment.

Mrs. Catherine Watkins, mother of Mrs. R. L. Higgins, of West avenue, died at her home in Roseville, N. Y., on Monday.

Olive Branch lodge, No. 19, Knights of Pythias, conferred the second degree on one candidate last night.

The Kind Word circle of King's Daughters will be entertained by Mrs. T. K. Noble at the parsonage to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.

A son was born Tuesday night to Mr. and Mrs. William Davies, of Osborn

-Sleighs new and second hand. For sale and to rent. Luther M. Wright. F. 1 tf.

L. W. Chamberlain, who moved to New York several months ago, is returning to Norwalk to live.

Miss Delia St. John, of Norwich, is ter Mrs. A. R. Tyler of Girard place.

Mrs. Harry Griffin, of New Haven, is visiting Mrs. James C. Crowe, of

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Smith and son, of

New York, are guests of C. O. Miller, of Union place.

Mrs. Emma Butterfass, of Ridgeway, Penn., is a guest at Otto Barthol's, Haviland street.

Mrs. William Chalmers and daughter, of Cranbury, are visiting relatives in Great Barrington, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Beckwith, of Bridgeport are guests of Alva Lockwood, corner of Franklin and Belden

Mrs. Benjamin Wilmot and daughter Ada, of Coscob, spent Washington's birthday with Mr. and Mrs. James H. Wilmot, of Spring street.

Miss Sadie Freeland, of White Oak Shade, has returned home after a visit with her cousin, Miss Alice Nolan of Raymond street, South Norwalk.

Samuel J. House and family will move next week from Marshall street to Bridgeport.

Mrs. Mary Laurrier, of Norwalk, has secured a position as nurse in a New York hospital.

Miss Charlotte Bosch, Miss Beulah Jarvis and Stephen S. Jarvis visited Miss Susan F. Jarvis of Bridgeport,

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#### AMUSEMENTS.

Heart of Chicago.

It would be hard to get more scenery in a single production than is employed in staging "The Heart of Chicago," Lincoln J. Carter's newest play. The Philadelphia Ledger of Nov. 10th said, "Enough scenery is used in its production to amply stock half a dozen melodramas." Anong the scenes promised are the Chicago Fire scenes, showing a section of Chicago, before, during and after the fire, Masonic Temple Roof Garden, the big panoramic view of the South Side at night, the World's Fair Court of Honor during a night illumination, the Columbus fountain, the typical Chicago street scene and the famous approaching train scene.

#### THE MODERN WAY

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George C. Stillson has been re-elected president of the Norwalk Pharmaceutical association.

AY. M. C. A. mass meeting will be held this evening.

The Norwalk hospital directors will meet this evening.

A son has been born to Rev. and Mrs. G. Runge of South Norwalk.

Miss Edna Wilson, of Main street is visiting in New Canaan.

A dance will be held in St. John & Fiedler's hall this evening.

The Complimentary Session from March to July 1st at Brown's College for \$25 day school and \$15 night. Its peer does not exist. Best of everything at Brown's thing at Brown's.

New Jersey parties are negotiating for the purchase of the Capron carpet cleaning establishment on Knight street, and the sale will probably be consummated to day.

Captain Dann and Officer Hunt of this city report that they heard the explosion at the Hafner burglary in East Norwalk this morning, so ambient was the air and quiet the streets.

Mrs. A. A. McCune who has for the past two years been visiting friends in the west is now a guest of her daugh-

—Prof. M. S. Kosen, the well-known oculist optician, can be consulted at his office in the parlors of the Mahackemo Hotel. South Norwalk, Tuesday from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. Eyes examined free.

Mrs. C. H. Harvey is recovering from t is still very minute, it remains fixed. an attack of mumps.

Mrs. E. I. Merriam of Meriden, is a guest of Mrs. Russell Frost of West avenue.

W. A. Benedict will succeed Fred Waters at Thristram & Hyatt's.

Mrs. William Laselle of Mt. Vernon, is a guest at the home of Charles Williams of this city.

The itinerant street band is again with us, and, of course, spring cannot be very far off.



Physicians seldom prescribe a proprietary medicine. There are so many worthless preparations that every reputable doctor must be ab-solutely convinced of their curative virtues before he will have anything to do with them. No physician will take any chances in such matters.

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is prescribed by eminent practitioners. They find it better than any prescriptions they can write themselves. They find it cures kidney, urinary, blood and liver disease when their own prescriptions fail. They know it has helped them save lives which could not have been saved without it.

Dr. W. H. Morse is one of the foremost professional men in New Jersey. His laboratory is at Westfield. He says, "I have examined Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy chemically and tested it therapeutically. I do not know Dr. Kennedy, but consider his Favorite Remedy a grand discovery." Dr. Morse tells of cases it has cured that had been pronounced incurable.

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MUGWUMP EPISCOPALIANS.

ft Toward Extreme Ritualism in Some Churches in England. It looks as if the Bishop of London,

r. Creighton, would be compelled bere long to take official notice of some of the proceedings of the adanced ritualists in his diocese, and is interference is almost certain to be the signal for a hot theological ight. Certain aggrieved evangelicals have protested vigorously against the netheds of worship in St. Ethelburra's Church, in Bishopsgate street. London. Among other things they say: "Among the idols in our parish drurch there are three large crucifixes and other small abominable idols of hat sort, also an image called a "Malenna and Child.' We have seen superstitious reverence paid to several of he idols. During public worship on Sunday morning we saw an official ight up an assortment of eighteen andles before the so-called 'Madonna and Child.' There is also a crib with number of stone images in it; here here are kneeling mats, and we saw t person ceremonially bow to this imige crib. The church is also furnished with vessels containing so-called 'holy water.' The service last Sunday was prefaced by the curate parading the hurch with a basin containing this so-called 'holy water,' and sprinkling nost of the people present with a small mop. One of the church warlens, nominally a member of the Church of England, is a dealer in canlies. It is said that the church caniles come from him. The so-called priest' openly announces beforehand that 'mass will be celebrated' at such a day and hour, and when that cerenony occurs the priest, after filling he church with incense, produces and consecrates a wafer, elevates it before and for adoration by the people, cerenonially prostrates himself, and then swallows the wafer. Next, after ceremonially mixing in the cup water ind wine, he consecrates, elevates, and swallows the mixture. Then he eremonially washes the plate and cup and rinses his fingers, and swalows the rinsings in the presence of he people. At 11:15 service there are o communicants; the 'priest' alone partakes of the 'mass.'" In acknowladging the document the bishop, somewhat brusquely, advised the protesters, if they did not like the service at St. Ethelburga's, to go to church emewhere else. This has stirred them o exceeding wrath, and they now areaten legal proceedings.-New fork Post.

#### THE HABITS OF THE ESCALLOP.

Iow It Comes About That Beds of Them Are Discovered in Familiar Waters. It may be a source of wonderment o one not familiar with the habits of he escallop to read, as he does at inervals, that a great bed of them has been found-as, for instance, recently

n Great South Bay-in waters that tre well known, that are constantly ished, and that have been regularly ished for years. The wonder is that he escallops there were not discovered before. The fact is that they vere not there, and the explanation of hat is found in the fact that the esallop has the power of locomotion. The oyster in the early stages of its xistence is a free swimmer, but from he time that it attaches itself to somehing and begins to grow into its final Gurnel, the young son of Mr. and and familiar form, which it does when The escallop, however, is able to move thout, and sometimes it comes to the op of the water. It could do this easily in four or five feet of water; it night reach the top from two or three imes that depth. It is sometimes aken in nets, the escallop being off the pottom and higher above it than the ead line of the net in which it is

aken. The escallop moves itself by expellng a column of water from its shell. It can open and close its shell freely. t takes in water, which it forces out igain against the surrounding water. t moves about, and beds are found in rarious places, and escallops bedded iere to-day might be somewhere else o-morrow. Fishermen taking escallops and holding them for the market. if hey keep them in the water, put them in crates with slats close enough ogether to keep them in.

#### New Use for the Kangaroo.

Surgeons at Oakland, on the bay op-Josite San Francisco, have resorted to the use of kangaroo tendons to tie up the fractured bones of a broken leg, in order that the patient may have use of his knee while the bones are kniting together, says an exchange. Kangaroo tendon is as strong as silver wire. It is taken from the tail of the sangaroo, and being animal in its nature it is absorbed, and the leg does not have to be again cut open, as is necessary when silver wire is used.

#### A Boat of Cement.

An Italian named Gabellini has recently made of a boat of cement. The framework is of small bars covered with a wire netting, the latter being, n turn, covered with cement. The surface is then polished. It is claimed that such a boat costs less than a wooden ene, and despite its extra weight, goes more easily through the

#### The Infant Idea.

Tommy-What is the guest of honor t a dinner?

Willie-Don't you know? He's the one that gets the gizzard and liver saved for him.-Cincinnati Enquirer.

First Chicken: "We can hardly adnit those low and vulgar ducks into our set."

Second Chicken: "Don't be hasty. They have some marks of real aristocrats. Look at the size of their bills.



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#### Darien.

Dr. C. H. Noxon has been appointed medical examiner of Darien. Since the death of Dr. French who was medical examiner for several years, several physicians have located in Darien and all were anxious of being appointed medical examiner.

Horse thieves visited Noroton early Saturday morning. They entered the barn of Arthur A. Weed and stole a mal was a dark bay, sixteen hands high and weighing about 1,100 pounds.

Fred Lingren is the proud and hap, py father of a daughter, presented to him by Mrs. Lingren on Sunday.

Arthur W. Weed, of Noroton, has offered a reward of \$100 for the thief who stole the horse and wagon from Benjamin Weed's barn, on the night of February 18.

John W. Gilchrist, a veteran at the Soldiers' home, died on Monday, and his remains were removed to his home in Norwich on Tuesday.

The Royal Social Club of Darien, composed of ten of our young people RATCHFORDS' has just been organized, and holds weekly meetings at each other's homes. The last meeting was held at the home of Miss Nellie Goodeve on Leroy avenue where they spent a very enjoyable evening. A supper was served and some very handsome prizes given. Miss Maud Van Dine won first prize, Master Arther Southwick second, and Master W. J. Fleming booby prize. The next meeting will be held at the home of Master W. J. Fleming on Friday evening, March 4th, where a feature of the evening will be a graphophone enter-

#### FEMININE CHAT.

It seems as though everybody is talking at once over the telephone if you make an attempt at wire conversation in the early morning hours.

It must be exasperating to a man to be introduced as "Mrs. So and So's husband."

Real friendship is so rare that when we find it we are not quite able to understand it.

How much easier it is to make resolutions to save than to make resolutions to pay our debts. Some days we can accomplish with

the greatest ease everything that we set ourselves about; on other occasions it seems as though a demon of perversity chuckled at our failures.

A wide lace necktie and large cravats of kilted brack lisse are very much worn by fashionable women.

How pleasant it is to discover a large and disfiguring smudge on our face just after we have been having an important interview with someons on whom we wished to make a good impression.

There is a great need seldom recognized of bringing a thoughtful intelligence to bear upon vexations and miseries of life. It takes something be. side the virtue of long suffering to discover the cause of the sorrow that has overwhelmed us.

There is no sorrow that time will not heal unless mourning attire is very be-

Judging by the advance millinery models, the tip-tilted hat has not left

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#### Congressman Hill's Views

Prior to leaving Norwalk for Wash ington Wednesday evening, Congressman E. J. Hill was interviewed by a GAZETTE reporter on the Maine disaster and the probable war with Spain.

To the reporter Mr. Hill stated that he did not believe we would have war with Spain. He said that there was more of a war feeling in this section than in Washington where everything was quiet, and the question of war very little discussed.

As to the blowing up of the Maine, Mr. Hill said he could not see how or wherein Spain would be benefitted by

Mr. Hill was on his way to take the train and the GAZETTE's interview was consequently brief, but in the morning Mr. Hill was in Bridgeport and was interviewed by a Farmer reporter, to whom he gave his views on the question as follows:

"War is a serious matter," said the Congressman. "In the first place, we could not get ready for it in less than a year, and at the lowest possible figure, we could not get out of it for less than \$500,000,000. Do you realize what that If war was declared against Spain, 15 minutes after its promulgation, a tax would have to be levied by this country to raise approximately the amount which I have named to carry on the struggle.

"Our coast defenses, army and navy, would have to be thoroughly equipped, and the expense for this work would be something enormous. If we are obliged to go to war to uphold our nation's hon-or, then I would say by all means let us go, but with the understanding that we

are going in to win.

"Of course, I do not apprehend but one result in the event of hostilities between the two countries. We would whip them and do it thoroughly. But that is not the question. We want no war, if it can be avoided, and I am for a peaceful settlement of this troublesome situation. War means destruction to our people, their homes and their property. It means the sacrifice of human blood, and God alone knows when it will all end. Before we should take any move in that direction, we should be absolutely sure of our premises. Not one step should be taken without positive knowledge of the full

after results.
"I think the attitude of the Administration is wise and conservative. Everything possible is being done to get at the facts, and when the final decision is reached, whatever it may be, then the time for action will have arrived. Until then, we owe it to ourselves as well as to our neighbors to refrain from any legislation that would in any way compromise us.

able on demand in gold. If war is clared, think of the position we will be in with these outstanding accounts against us. Mind, I do not say that we could not respond just as we always have when the emergency arrived, but I do say that if we can possibly maintain our dignity without resort to arms, then let us do so.

'As to the cause of the Maine disaster, I think the chances as between an accident and the deviltry of some irresponsible person are about even. It is impossible to tell what caused it un-til we learn the facts in the situation. If anything, I am inclined to the belief

'When the Maine arrived in Havana the feeling there was intense, much more so than we realize here. It would not be surprising to me to learn that the awful catastrophe was due to the agency to which I have referred, although I would not be a bit surprised if it turned out to be an accident.

When asked if he thought a resolution favoring the granting of the belligerent rights to the Cuban insur gents could pass the present House, he reflected a moment before answering, and then replied: "Two years ago, it could have passed, but I am not so certain about the present. The trouble is right here: There are millions of dollars of American money invested in Cuba. So long as we do not recognize the insurgents, we can hold Spain responsible for the loss of every dollar sustained by our citizens in that isle. The moment we recognize the belligerency of the Cubans, we forfeit all right to any claim against Spain. To whom, then, shall we look for indemnity for such losses to our countrymen, who have, perhaps, invested their last cent

in some enterprise?

"The insurgents have nothing we could look to for a return for our losses. I challenge anyone to say that they have greater sympathy for the men who are fighting in Cuba for freedom than I, but whenever I hear it said that we are permitting human lives to be slaughtered, I say what about our own gallant sailors and soldiers whose lives will be sacrificed? We have our American sailor and soldier to think of, and we have no right to sacrifice their lives unless their country's honor demands it. As yet no such condition

"If when the inquiry into the Maine disaster is completed, and it is found to have been the work of a Spaniard, this country can force Spain to pay indem-nity for the loss of the battleship and the lives of the gallant crew. I know avenue, Westport, at present occupied that Robert T. Lincoln and some others by George A. Darrow. It is the buildtake a different view providing it is shown that it was the work of irrespon-sible Spaniards. But I have looked into the matter some, and I know that the sentiment which exists at Washington is that we can collect for our losses, although no amount of money can ever satisfy or appease our wound-ed feelings for the loss of our gallant

"It is a grand tribute to the temper and statesmanship of our people to know that at this time no party lines are known at Washington. Democrats and Republicans stand together as Americans. It is country now, not party. I do not mean to say that there are not some members of both parties who are inclined to criticise the ad-ministration for what they are pleased to call its un-American policy, but on the whole the actions of our legislators are a source of gratification. We are teaching the world a lesson which other nations may well follow: That we first want to be sure we are right before we go ahead. And when the time comes for us to go ahead, the same spirit will be manifested.

be manifested. 'It is a rather difficult matter to get 75,000,000 of people excited, and that is what we amount to. But when we feel that the time has come for action, there does not exist in the civilized world a power that can make us falter."

#### A SUDDEN DEATH.

The news of the death in South Wilton this morning of John Vickers was a surprise to the many friends he has in this section.

The "Colonel" as he was familiarly called was at one time superintendent of the Richardson & Morgan foundry in South Norwalk, which position he resigned about two years ago.

He at the time lived on West Washington street, but later removed to South Wilton, from which place it was his intention to remove back to Norwalk to-day.

He was taken ill last night and died at an early hour this morning.

The deceased was a Mason of high degree and a war veteran having been a captain of Co. F, of the 17th New York volunteers.

He was a member of Buckingham G. A. R. Post, and the funeral will probably be attended from the Post rooms on Sunday next. He was 74 years of

#### Knights of Honor.

The officers of the Knights of Honor No. 3904 were installed last night by Deputy Grand Dictator J. H. Berry of Danbury, assisted by Grand Dictator Carlos Smith of New Haven, with Grand Sentinel Glover of Bridgeport as Guide.

The officers installed were: Past Dictator-Dr. S. H. Huntington. Dictator-George H. Vosburgh. Vice Dictator-Gustave Lang.

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Guardian-Dr. W. C. Burke. Sentinel-Walter Hall.

Trustees-James W. O'Brien, Gusave Lang and Dr. S. H. Huntington. Speeches followed the installation and refreshments were served.

#### "Sam" and "Cale."

Captain "Sam" Jones of the Elm Grove War club, has issued an order for a full dress parade of the club to be held on the first fair day, and expects every member of the company to be on hand fully equipped as the by-laws of "Standing against this government is an obligation of \$1,000,000,000, payto the same require.

The one-armed war veteran, Caleb Wood, is organizing a company which he calls the East Norwalk Rangers. Noman will be allowed to join the Rangers, unless he can show a previous record of war service.

#### Mrs. N. D. Sperry Chosen.

At a caucus of the Connecticut delegates to the national convention of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Washington, it was unanimously dethat it was the work of a Spanish cided to nominate Mrs. N. D. Sperry of scoundrel or scoundrels. New Haven for the office of vice-president-general from Connecticut and to support Mrs. Daniel Manning for the presidency.

#### Solomon's Orders.

Captain Solomon Peck on Saturday shipped 3000 feet of white oak timber to New York which will be used for repairs on the well known steamer Dan-little wonder should be put to work iel Drew. He has placed an order for 8,000 feet more of the same kind, which is now being cut in the woods at Eas

#### Rev. J. M. Bellows Entertains.

Rev. J. McClure Bellows entertained the members of Grace church at the rectory Tuesday night. Mrs. Robert Van Buren, president of the guild, reported that the society had raised \$200 for the church. Another feature was an exhibition and sale of tchings, which relized good prices.

#### Dissolution.

The co-partnership formerly existing between William M. Terry, John R. Woodhull and James E. Woodhull a firm doing business in Stamford and Norwalk under the firm name of William M. Terry & Co. has been dissolved, James E. Woodhull withdrawing from

#### Mr. Ratchford Denies.

M. Ratchford emphatically denies the published statement that he has purchased the building on Riverside ing adjoining that he has purchased.

#### A New Clerk.

Fred Carden, a former clerk at the Norwalk hotel, succeeds Starr Moulton as clerk at the new Mahackemo hotel, in South Norwalk.

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#### EMILE ZOLA GONVICTED.

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Paris, Feb. 24.- The Zola trial is end-The jury agreed days ahead on he verdict, and its unanimity was due o threats. It stayed in the jury room or a few minutes, and the sentence is one year for M. Zola and four months for M. Perreux, the nominal director of the Aurore. In addition, each is fined 3,000 francs. It was 7 last night, and the court was lighted by electricity, which revealed the face of every person. A striking object, Christ cruci-fied, hung high behind the bench. M. Laborie ended his speech by saying: 'The name of Pilate is the most abhorrent in history." The figure of Christ caught Zola's eye. After sentence had been passed with pompous decorum he exclaimed: "To-day, associated with



EMILE ZOLA.

Christ, I, too, am a victim of mob violence, official cowardice and a grand miscarriage of justice."

But he did not wince or flinch. He looked as indifferent as a mere spectator. Mme. Zola's devoted heart at first seemed broken, but when she felt that she must brace herself up to rise to the height of Zola's grand situation she became calm and self-possessed.

M. Zola emerged from the court at 7.30 P. M., and his appearance was the signal for tumultuous denunciations and insults, and shouts of "Down with Zola!" "Death to Zola!" The crowd made a mad rush after his carriage, but a strong bulwark of police intervened and saved him from the furies of his denunciators.

#### Hanna Denies the Interview.

Washington, Feb. 24.-Senator Mark Hanna last evening emphatically denied the authenticity of an alleged interview in which he is represented as believing the Maine disaster due to accident and that no cause exists for apprehending war.

"I never gave an interview of that character," said Senator Hanna. have not discussed the Maine incident with any newspaper representative, nor have I said anything for publication as to what Congress will do. How do I know what Congress will do? I am not Congress, although some newspapers seem to think I am in a large sense. I am not giving out interviews for publication, and I don't want to be interviewed."

#### Jimmy Michael to Ride for Dwyer.

New York, Feb. 24.-Jimmy Michael, the Welsh bicycle wonder, and Phil Dwyer, the well-known horseman, met at the Brooklyn Jockey Club yesterday afternoon, and as a result of the meeting the midget wheelman will ride for Dwyer during part of this season at least. The two had an extended conversation on the subject, and both were satisfied that the debut of Michael as a jockey would be of mutual advantage. No documents were signed at with the horses immediately.

#### Alger Back in Washington.

Washington, Feb. 24.-Secretary Al-Fort Monroe. He has completely re-revered from his long spell of illness.



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Havana, Cuba, via Key West, Fla. Feb. 25.—It is useles to deny that many believe that an outside agency caused the disaster to the Maine. These assert that even a cursory examination of the wreck shows conclusively that the explosion could not have originated from within. It is pointed out that the main magazine forward was filled with brown, hexagonal powder in proper cases, and would be slow to ignite, while all the high explosives were aft. It is generally conceded that neither the boilers, the electric wires nor spontaneous combustion could, from the

very condition of things, be responsible.
The wreck has sunk several feet already in the soft mud and will probably continue to settle. An American of-ficer of rank sufficient to entitle him to command a ship is authority for the statement that a Spanish naval officer some time ago sold the Washington State Department a map of Havana harbor showing submarine mines. The Spanish residents deny this statement and say that the mines exist only in imagination. The Cubans, on the other hand, claim that there are mine galleries under the harbor leading from



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subterranean passages, known to have existed for years, between Fort Cabanas and Morro Castle and this port.

The Spanish explain that for over a century a subterranean passage, about two miles long and eight feet wide at its narrowest diameter, capable of giv-ing passage to a column of troops, has existed from the navy yard to Castillo del Principe, but the existence of this passage was not known to the present authorities or to those who have been in power for many years past. The entrances and exits have long been closed by thick walls, now covered with debris, and their exact location is said to be lost. At the same time, it is admitted that records regarding the subterranean passage can be found in old documents contained in the archives of Havana. The Spaniards insist that this passage does not go under the harbor at any

General Blanco, on the night of the disaster, was sitting with General Mari-nas in the corridor of the Palace. When he heard the explosion he jumped from his chair, exclaiming: "Mi pusieron!"

(They are about to attack me.) The latest dispatches from Madrid confirm the reports that the home government agrees to an amplification of the autonomous constitution in the direction of a greater independence. This depends upon the insurgents accepting the conditions of peace. In wellinformed circles it is confidently believed that if the Government attempts to disarm the volunteers great disturbance will ensue. General Solano, the second chief of staff, says:

"From the Queen down the sentiment of 17,000,000 of the Spanish people favors complete autonomy for Cuba, except a small minority in Spain and about 400 Spanish residents in Cuba, whose patriotism is measured by their own personality and their regard for five-dollar pieces. But despite their opposition autonomy will come because Spain is willing to grant the natives political control, and is willing to go so far, if necessary to secure peace, as to make Maximo Gomez the head of the

autonomus government." The censorship is very strict, and according to a recent order all dispatches must be submitted in Spanish as well as English. This doubles the trouble of the correspondents, and quadruples de-

No one believes that autonomy is now or can be anything but a name; and there is a deep conviction that the United States will not long suffer the present state of things to continue. It is not believed that any negotiations between Senor Govin, Secretary of the bus, who was the guest of the United Interior; Senor Dolz, Secretary of Com- States at the time of the Chicago Fair, Interior: Senor Dolz, Secretary of Com-munications, and Senator Giberga and the insurgent leader, Capote, in the name of the autonomist government, will come to anything.

The stories published by Spanish papers that the United States naval of-ficers at Hawana are talking too much, are absolutely unfounded. It would be impossible to find more discretion than is shown by all, from captain to cadet. Even the men, wounded or unwounded, are careful what they say, lest an indiscretion in talk should lead to serious action. Of course, it is recognized by all Americans that a crisis is coming, likely to be sudden when it ap-

Captain Sigsbee's private letters have been recovered, but his gold medal from the Red Eagle, given to him by Emperor William I., of Germany, for his inventions of deep sea apparatus, have

As an illustration of the want prevailing in the immediate suburbs of Havana, it is said that during the last

votion at the lunatic asylum at Mazer-In that period the autonomist Mayor of Havana has given the asylum ly \$1,000. The former Mayor gave it ...000 a month, with far fewer deaths. It is feared that the excitement in e United States over the explosion ay divert attention from the needs of the starving reconcentrados and pacifcos. The condition of the peasantry and the poor of the interior cities, and those sent to the seaboard can scarcely e exaggerated in elements of horror From most trustworthy sources it is ascertained that while the outward s gns of famine and disease are not so plentiful as a few months or weeks ago, it is because death is busy, and the sufferers who are left are too weak to get on the streets. As an illustration, in the province of Santa Clara seventeen persons took shelter in an

abandoned lime kiln. When their pres-

ence was discovered by the authorities

thirteen were dead and the others too

far gone to recover. The story is of-

s'x weeks 200 patients have died of pri-

ficially corroborated. Miss Clara Barton visited the village of Jaruco, thirty miles out, the other day and found between 3,000 and 4,000 starving persons. She was almost prostrated at the scenes of desolation and misery she witnessed. Without outside assistance this condition of things must steadily grow worse, and the native officials confess themselves at the end of their resources. This is particularly true of the towns and villages outside Havana. Strangers visiting the city, and resident foreigners, as well as natives able to do so, contribute to alleviate the more acute cases of distress.

It is suggested that a shipload of provisions might be sent from the United State direct to Matanzas, where Consul Brice describes the condition as simply appalling.

ALLEN'S RESOLUTION WITHDRAWN. Senate Convinced That Nothing Should

Be Done to Hurry a Crisis. Washington, Feb. 25.-Senator Allen yesterday withdrew his resolution to authorize the sending of a committee of Senators to Cuba to investigate the situation there. This action is due to the conviction that the Senate would defeat this resolution by a larger vote than it did the belligerency amendment

Wednesday. This conservatism of the Senate arises from a conviction that a crisis with Spain is about to occur on account of causes already existing and a desire not to run the risk of any false step which would enable Spain to fix the immediate responsibility for the conflict upon this Government. The situation, too, demands that nothing should be done in this country to give excuse, however poor, for a popular uprising of the Spanish in Cuba. The declaration by Senator Thurston in the Senate Wednesday that it would be a grave misfortune if our strained relations were to come to a crisis before the completion of the Maine inquiry, voiced the apprehension felt by those most familiar with the situation.

FINISHED ITS WORK IN HAVANA.

Naval Court of Inquiry Will Probably Go to Key West To-Day.

Havana, Cuba, Feb. 25 .- The United States Naval Court of Inquiry has finished its labors here. It probably will go to Key West to-day, continuing its sessions there. General Lee was in consultation with the members of the court yesterday. About thirty witnesses have been examined here.

The Right Arm has brought up already some important pieces of artillery. The divers of the wrecking steamer Right Arm were examined by the court yesterday. Their testimony corroborates the evidence heretofore given by the Government divers.

The members of the court, accompanied by Consul-General Lee, were nd the Maine's wreck vesterday. They inspected the work of the divers. The work of recovering the contents of the ship progresses slowly.

General Blanco's Sympathy.

Washington, Feb. 25.-In the mail received from Consul-General Lee yesterday was a copy of the message of condolence received by him from Captain-General Blanco in the following

"Mr. Consul-It becomes my painful duty to express to you my profound sorrow for the misfortune which occurred yesterday on board the American ship Maine. I associate myself with all my heart to the grief of the nation and of the families who have lost some of their members, and upon doing so I do not only express my personal sentiments, but I speak in the name of all the inhabitants of Havana, witnesses of the catastrophe which has afflicted so many homes. God guard you many

years. "RAMON BLANCO." "To the Consul-General of the United States.

"Teb. 18, 1898."

Woodford Banquets DeLome's Successor Madrid, Feb. 25.-The United States Minister, General Stewart L. Woodford, gave a banquet yesterday in honor of the new Spanish Minister to Washington, Senor Polo y Bernabe. In addition to the latter the guests included the Austrian, Eussian, French. German, Italian, Turkish, Dutch and British Ministers or char es d'affaires and their wives, and the Duke of Veragua, the lineal descendant of Columand the Fremier, Senor Sagasta. Much political importance was attached here to the incident, and the banquet, "coupled with the peaceful utterances of President McKinley," according to a semi-official report, has been "optimistically utilized by the Ministerial

More Bodies Found.

Washington, Feb. 25 .- Late last night the Navy Department received two brief telegrams from Captain Sigsbee at Havana. One related to some routine matter of expenditures in connection with the work on the Maine and the other is as follows: "Divers report more bodies in wreck. Some in ham-mocks involved in debils. Probably not recognizable." This dispatch indicates that the divers have finally secured at least a partial entrance to the quarters in the forward part of the vessel when the crew were asleep when the explosion occurred and under which were the magazines.

Cenator Allen Offers a Resolution for an Investigation.

GOES OVER-ON OBJECTION

Another Attempt by the Nebraska Populist to Add a Belligerency Declaration to the Diplomatic Bill---Morgan Says Cuba Is Lost to Spain.

Washington, Feb. 24.-The Cuban question was against precipitated in the Senate yesterday by Mr. Allen (Neb.), who offered the following res-

"Whereas, It is the established doc-trine of the United States that the Western Hemisphere shall be dedicated to Dublican forms of government recognizing the political equality of humen beings; and "Whereas, The principle of the Mon-roe doctrine, or the doctrine of nation-

al self-preservation, is as applicable in wresting any portion of this, continent from the grasp of foreign countries as in preventing them from obtaining additional territory, and "Whereas, The island of Cuba, by

reason of its location and close proximity to the United States, should, by right, be dedicated to a republican form of government; and "Whereas, A republican form of gov-

ernment is, and has been for nearly three years, maintained in said island by force of arms; and

"Whereas, It is alleged that 500,000 persons on said island have died of starvation by reason of being concentrated by the Spanish Government at various points, without being fed or afforded an opportunity to provide food for themselves, and hundreds are daily dying; and

"Whereas, The dictates of humanity require the intervention of the United States in such case; therefore,

"Resolved, That a select committee of five Senators shall be appointed, whose duty it shall be to forthwith make a thorough investigation and inquire into and report on the following

"First, to what extent the work of concentrating the inhabitants of Cuba has been carried on by the Spanish Government, and how many persons on said island have in the last three years died as a result of starvation, or for lack of sufficient food, and diseases incident theretto, and to what extent concentration is now being practiced there by Spanish authority, and the condition of the people concentrated.

"Second, whether the concentrated Cubans have been adequately sheltered, clothed and fed by the Spanish Government, or by others, or have been permitted to obtain food and clothing for themselves.

"Third, what lawful steps, if any, are necessary and can be taken by the United States to bring the war in Cuba to speedy termination, on grounds honorable alike to Spain and Cuba, and which will result in the kingdom of Spain relinquishing its hold on the island, and in the establishment of a republican form of government there.

'Fourth, to what event Spanish barbarity and cruelty have during the war now in progress on the island of Cuba been practiced toward the inhabtants of Cuba, and what can be lawfully done by the United States if anything, to ameliorate the condition of the Cu-"And to these ends and for these pur-

poses, said committee may sit at such times and places as they may see proper during the sessions of Congress, and in vacation, and shall have the right to visit and take testimony in Cuba, if deemed proper to do so. All testimony taken shall be preserved, and the finding of said select commit-tee, together with all testimony, shall the Senate at as early a date as practicable."

The resolution went over on objec-

Later, when the Diplomatic and Consular bill was taken up, Mr. Allen (Neb.) indicated his desire to offer an amendment, but first suggested the lack of a quorum. The roll call developed the presence of fifty-five Senators, more than a quorum. Mr. Allen's amendment was the resolution recognizing the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents, which was unfavorably reported a few days ago by the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. Morgan, in opposing the Allen amendment, said he had no right to make a declaration of this sort in this way. If this resolution was made a part of the bill Spain would have a right to consider it as a declaration of war. He contended that conditions now were much different than when the Senate passed the resolutions last May. The temper of the people of both nations then was much different than

Referring to the Maine disaster and the investigation now going on, he said it would not be right to force the question. If the Senator from Nebraska wanted to vote for a declaration of war let him bring it in and state the grounds. He (Morgon) would vote for such a resolution.

Mr. Morgan said he would not vot for a declaration of war against Frain in disguise. He wanted the challenge made and picked up in an honorable way. Mr. Morgan said he always be-neved that the United States and Spain will fight over Cuba. The contest new showed that Cuba was lost to Spain as she could not conquer the people of the island. Mr. Lodge, of Massachusetts, also a

member of the Committee on Forestan Relations, opposed the amendment Senate, he said, ought not to cons or for one mement placing such an amendment on an appropriation 'di amendment on an appropriation and that was the unanimous opinion of the Committee on Foreign Relations. Neither the cause of the Cubans nor the dignity of the American Government would be subserved by such an extreme and unusual method of deal-

ing with the question. Mr. Teller, of Colorado, said that he felt inclined to vote for the amend-ment because it would give Senators another opportunity to express their sentiment that the Administration was not doing its duty toward the people of Cuba or the people of the United States. I'e did not want any war, and did not believe that the amendment or any proceeding of that character would eventuate in war.

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Information About Filibusters Asked. Washington, Feb. 24.—Before the consideration of the Sundry Civil bill was esumed in the House yesterday the following resolution of inquiry, intro-duced by Mr. De Armond (Dem., Mo.), which was last week favorably reported by the Foreign Affairs Committee, was adopted without division:

"Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby request-ed to inform the House at the earlist date possible, if not incompatible with the public welfare, what has been done by the United States to prevent the onveyance to the Cubans of articles produced in the United States, and vhat to prevent 'filibustering' and what results, giving particulars, and at what expense to the United States."

Against the Accident Theory. Washington, Feb. 24.-The Evening star has received the following from ts Havana correspondent:

"Inquiry into the Maine disaster progresses along definite lines. The results so far may be summed up in the statement that the probabilities that it was an accident seem to decrease with the progress of the investigation.

'The most intense anxiety is shown by the Spanish officials here, who are in constant communication with Madrid. They realize that the relations with the United States were never so much in danger of rupture as now. This is the general feeling."

Call for Marines.

Washington, Feb. 24.-All the maines on shore duty have been ordered to hold themselves in preparation for service at the shortest possible notice. Arrangements for their transportation have been made, and a record of where supplies can be obtained and assembled without delay is being prepared. It is eported that fifty marines at the Washington barracks, the headquarters of the corps, have been ordered to Key

Situation at Havana Grave.

New York, Feb. 24.-News reaches he Junta that the situation at Havana has becouse critical in the extreme, and that the public excitement and appre-Spanish merchants showing panic over the possibility of their business being wiped out altogether.

A \$4,000 Legacy for a Parrot.

A poll parrot with a bank account of \$4,000 lives in luxury at the Hotel Gladstone, Roxbury, Boston. \$4,000 is a legacy left him by his late mistress. The income is to give him all the health, comfort and delicacies a pretty poll might wish.

THREE SAVED FROM THE ASIA

All the Rest of Those on Board the Wrecked Ship Lost.

Provincetown, Mass., Feb. 24.—The tug Mercury, Captain Evan, has arrived here, bringing news that three men of the crew of the British ship Asia were rescued alive by the crew of Handkerchief lightship.

The men were taken from a piece of wreckage, on which they had been floating for twenty-four hours, and were greatly exhausted. As soon as they could talk it was learned that the Asia had struck on Great Round Shoal, off Nantucket, during the gale Monday, and had gone to pieces.

Captain Dakin, of the Asia, with his wife and daughter, were among those on board at the time, and all are supposed to have periched. It is reported that the body of the captain's daughter is at Wood's Holl, having been recovered, with that of a man supposed to have been the mate of the vessel, from wreckage, by the tug McCaulley yesterday.

Captain Evans, of the Mercury, said: 'While coming over Nantucket Shoals Tuesday we saw large quantities of wreckage, consisting of part of a vessel, hull, deck beams and other light stuff; also large quantities of jute and

hemp. "Later we neared Handkerchief Light; the crew signalled us and we lay down to the ship. Her crew put off in a dory and reported that they had the three men aboard the vessel. The men were barely alive when picked up. They were given all possible attention on board the lightship and at length were reviveed."

On resuming his course, Captain Evans kept a sharp lookout for possible survivors, but discovered no sign of any. The presence of the vast quantities of wreckage seemed to prove that the vessel had gone to pieces almost as eann as she struck.

A Negro's Double Crime.

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 24.-Henry Williams, a negro, aged twenty-five, shot and killed Miss Ethel Gray, a white girl, at her residence and then killed himself. The girl was twenty-two years of age, a daughter of Mrs. George Gray hension are intense, the volunteers and was employed as a clerk. The ne-Weylerites clamoring for war with the gro, who was a desperate character, is gro, who was a desperate character, is United States and the conservative said to have been infatuated with the

Mob to Be Prosecuted.

Washington, Feb. 24.-The Postmaster-General has offered a reward of \$300 for the arrest and conviction of the persons who burned the postoffice at Lake City, S. C., on Tuesday morning, and a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the persons who murdered the postmaster and his baby and wounded his three children at the same time. General Gary has issued an order to discontinue the office at Lake City from this time on.



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#### Wilton.

For a number of years the mere mention of "good roads" would cause some one of our tax-payers to exhibit his powers of rhetoric. But after many efforts a bit of road was built and now we all rival Oliver Twist in our cries for more. Another spoke in the wheel which will turn the tide of prosperity our way is the iron bridge near the Wilton station which is now in the course of construction. The rickety old wooden arch bridge which has long been a menace to the safety of the many people that patronize the railroad, and has caused visions of suits against the town for damages, to loom up before every thinking tax-payer who examined the rotten beams that supported it, was torn down on Tuesday and Wilton workmen are hard at work under the direction of Selectmen Jackson and Morehouse, laying the foundation for the neat iron structure that in a short time will impress the stranger who alights at Wilton as the gateway to a self-respecting town. And when strangers alight twenty years hence that bridge will in all probability still be there. It may need painting, but it will be just as strong and the town will not be to constant expense for repairs. It is a good thing for the town, and the Selectmen who ordered it should be honored for the good judgment that prompted the venture. It may be "A little higher in price, but .-- "

The road to the Wilton station is blocked for teams, during the erecting of the new iron bridge. A temporary foot bridge has been erected.

Rev. W. D. Hart has been quite ill

The social committee of the Y. P. S. C. E. are arranging for an illustrated lecture, on "A Yankee in Paris" by Rev. Mr. Robbins, of the Baptist church, Norwalk, and Rev. Mr. Sherwood, of the Baptist church, South Norwalk.

Mrs. A. W. Merwin, has been appointed by the Regent of Norwalk Chapter, D. A. R. as the Wilton member of the committee on membership. Mrs. Merwin has taken an active part in the good work of the "Daughters," and all applications for membership from this vicinity, or any information on the subject of the work of the society, will be cheerfully furnished by

The Wilton World was not 'round last week.

P. S. Ackerman and family are visit

ing friends in Branchville. Several recruits of the "Hubbell Howlers" invaded Norwalk Wednes-

Ash Wednesday services were held at St. Matthew's Church morning and

Dame Rumor says that S. W. Olmstead is contemplating erecting a fine residence on one of his building lots near Dr. A. B. Gorham's.

Miss Agnes Ogden who has been ill the past week with a mild type of scarlet fever, is rapidly convalescing.

A small puppy dog owned by Louis the past two weeks catching the neighbors' chickens, and it has finally become a common sight to see him carrying off a hen nearly as large as himself. Mr. Verlin came home from a Southern trip on Saturday, and pronounced the death sentence on doggie after a very informal trial. Harry S. Olmstead acted as Lord high execu-

Harry Olmstead had a narrow escape from serious injury on Wednesday. While riding one of his big grey team to water, steady old Bessie became suddenly frisky and throwing up her heels threw Harry over her head. He landed squarely on his head, and the bystanders who had been enjoying the circus became suddenly grave, fearing he had been seriously hurt. It takes more than a tumble, however, to phase Harry and he jumped up apparently unhurt.

Washington's birthday lasts all the week. It will be celebrated in the Congregational church next Sunday morning by a gospel and praise service, including an address by the pastor. Time 7:30.

Miss Helen Middlebrok is the guest of R. T. Easton, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Frederick L. Middlebrook, and Joseph W. Middlebrook of New York were the guests of their father, Samuel B. Middlebrook, Washington's birth-

Miss Alice B. Olmstead is visiting her cousins the Misses Olmstead in

Mrs. S. P. Fitch has been visiting carried their famous kit of twitch-ups, her daughter, Mrs. D. D. Telford, in

Louis Verlin of the Bridgeport Wood Finishing Co. was home over the holi-

S. W. Olmstead has been quite ill the past week.

The condition of George E. Keeler who has been ill the past month is still

Alfred Olmstead made a business

trip to Stamford last week. G. C. M. Gregory, has taken the position of Connecticut representative of a large wholesale grocery firm in New York city. Mr. Gregory is a hustler and we wish him well in his new venture. It is rumored that he will continue his grocery business here for the

Mrs.-C. S. Trowbridge is visiting friends in Bridgeport.

The Wilton Reading Circle met with Miss Mary F. Gregory last week.

Miss Florence Sturges, and Frederick S. Sturges are visiting their grandmother, Mrs. S. P. Fitch.

The rain storm this week has filled the streams to overflowing and rendered traveling the opposite from an undiluted joy.

Severaltheavy claps of thunder were heard in this vicinity on Monday.

There is a well founded rumor current that the hustling grocery firm of Gilbert & Taylor have dissolved partnership by mutual agreement, Mr. Gilbert continuing the business which has increased to goodly proportions in the three months of its existence, while Mr. Taylor will resume his former occupation of contractor and builder. A large contract for a building in this town which he has received is given as the reason for the change. Messrs. Gilbert & Taylor have estab lished an enviable reputation for honesty and fair dealing, and we extend our best wishes for their continued prosperity.

There was a case of lost child in this town Washington's Birthday that kept a number of grown ups busy for several hours. Little Myrtle Birasall, aged four, was allowed to accompany her brother Lester to the post office for the morning mail, and when the young man was in the office the little one strayed away and turned up missing when her brother stepped outside. A badly frightened lad began the search and had soon enlisted the services of sympathizing friends, but it seemed to be too early for Myrtle. Finally the family were informed and after over an hour's search the child was found quietly playing in the rear of the Birdsall barn, evidently unconscious of the trouble she was making. She had walked all the way home a distance of about a quarter of a mile, crossed the railroad track, and reached the back of the barn without attracting attention. But her family were too happy to learn of her safety to even chide her

#### Hurlbutt Street.

The District School was closed two days this week.

Miss Mabel Sturges is the guest of Selectman Jackson.

Miss Nettie Olmstead, of Cannon,

spent Sunday in this place. Mrs. Elmer Jackson entertained a number of the younger members of Verlin has been having lots of fun for Norfield Grange one evening last week to make arrangements for an entertainment. The usual tasty refreshments for which the Jacksons are famous was forthcoming, but the delicious cake without its accustomed coat of icing. The hostess made a short and informal speech explaining the deficiency by saying that the head of a hustling Wilton grocery firm, and a deacon at that, had delivered two pounds of powdered sulphur, instead of the confectioner's sugar that was ordered. Investigation had proved that the sugar had been delivered to another family of the same name, who had been somewhat surprised to find that everything the firm sold was so pure, that evening their sulphur was white.

#### North Wilton.

Miss Belle McKee, of Bridgeport, has been visiting her uncle, Professor Strong Comstock.

Ernest Ruscoe, has returned from a visit with friends in South Norwalk.

Those from thie vicinity who wish to patronize the Wilton station for the coming week, will be compelled to drive down the mill road on account of building the iron bridge at the depot.

Miss Alice Keeler attended the amatuer performance given by the Over River School, Norwalk.

Fish stories are thick around this town, and this is a particularly funny one 'cause its all true. A party of two experts left here one day last week to catch pickerel at Cross Pond in Lewisboro, which is yet a long way off. They

which were placed to such good advan tage and worked so well that as night came on sixty-eight nice, large, juicy fish were safely landed. They had a bit of lunch and then harnessing up they started homeward well pleased with their day's sport. One of the party lives in the lower part of the town and the other who lives here. was to take him home after leaving his own share of the spoils at his house. But when he went to the back of the wagon to take them out there was a gasp of astonishment for there was no fish there. "Where are those fish?" he shouted. The other fellow looked back and after a moment said, "I'll bet we didn't put them in." There was nothing for it but to hitch up a fresh horse and drive back the nine long miles but as it was a nice cold day they found the fish had not been injured. One of the party has since remarked, "If it hadn't been for that blamed hired man no one would have known a word about it."

#### South Wilton.

John Vickers a respected resident of this place died very suddenly Thursday morning of apoplexy. He was about seventy-five years of age. Mr. Vickers who was a large dealer in stoves and hardware in Albany retired from business and removed to this place where he has made many friends. He leaves a widow.

The funeral of Mrs. Carr, who died on Saturday last, was held from her late home on Tuesday: burial at Norwalk. Her husband and two little children, one but two weeks old, remain to mourn her loss.

A fine cow owned by John Templeton died on Thursday. The cause of death is a mystery, as the animal was apparently all right the day before.

George P. Brotherton has rented the house near the Lambert homestead and took possession on Thursday.

#### Cannon.

Louis Warncke entertained a large party of Georgetown friends one evening last week.

Willis Betts is making a number of improvements about his cosy residence.

Miss Edith White entertained a number of friends at a Drive Whist party on Saturday evening. Five tables were in play, and the prize winners were Miss Belle McKee, of Bridgeport, and Charles Betts of Norwalk for first prizes and Miss Georgianna Comstock, and James Comstock for the "booby" emblems. A most enjoyable evening

The Wilton Reading circle met with Mrs. Mary A. White on Thursday.

Miss Mary Miller entertained Miss Ethel Slater, Miss Alyse Gregory, Miss Alice Cole, Miss Grace Seymour, and Miss Agnes Golden of South Norwalk over Sunday. On Saturday evening a number of our society young men were invited in to meet her guests, and play whist. Prizes were won by Ward Gregory and F. D. Sturges. It was the jolliest house party in town in many moons.

#### Belden Hill.

The serious condition of ex-Postmaster Frank Buttery of Silver Mine, mention of whose peculiar malady was made in these columns last week, is causing grave fears among his friends. It is reported that he has grown steadily worse the past week, and but little hopes are entertained of his recovery.

Mrs. Thomas Treadwell, and Miss Ruth Treadwell of Lyons Plains were the guests of Mrs. Frank Brady over

The Trip Postponed.

"Silas, we can't take your umbrella to Europe with us," said old Mrs. Stig gins. "The advertisement says that no cotton will be carried on the passen ger steamers." "Then we'll stay home," said Silas. "I ain't a-goin across any thing so wet as the Atlantic Ocear without my umbrella."-Harper's Ba-

"You don't find me taking up with any of these isms," said the large man who was rather red in tone. "Except," ventured the slender man,

with indications of a soured disposition, "perhaps, alcoholism."--Cincinnatti Enquirer.

#### For Sale, or to Rent.

The late residence of Julia A, Lockwood, deceased, consisting of Dwelling House and two acres of grounds, 12 rooms, bath, closets, gas, water, large garden, barn, carriage-house. All trolley cars pass.

The larger articles of furniture, bedsteads, mattresses and carpets now in

steads, mattresses and carpets now in place. This is an ideal place; if not sold prior to April 1st it may be rented, by application to F. ST. JOHN LOCK-WOOD, Executor, or to M. D. F. LOCK-WOOD for permit.

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The very unpleasant weather that we ill have been having in the last few weeks has made business dull, has enervated the people of the County to such a degree that they seem to believe that the sun will never shine again; that Norwalk is dead and will never resurrect. Not so! behind the darkest clouds the sun shines, and when the clouds break, the sun is more brilliant than ever. Norwalk is better to-day than it ever was in it's history. More people, better dressed people, more churches, more school houses, more money in the saving banks than ever before: in fact, we are a great deal better off than we believe we are; we would be a great M deal happier if we did not have so many calamity howlers in the community. In our store, liberal ideas prevail; liberal with our checks, liberal with our customers, liberal with our money. In order to make money, you must spend money. Hence our success. 66

#### In Our Great Cloak Room.

#### Bargains in Small Things | Ladies' Jackets

Ladies Handkerchiefs, the five cent kind, each, 2½c.

Oriental lace, cream and white, 19c uality, 12½c.

Ladies fringe silk scarfs, worth 75c, Dennison's crepe paper, 18c kind, 13c. Whisk brooms 15e kind, 10c.

Box writing paper and envelopes 190

ind, 10c. 15c Tooth brushes for 10c.

75c Pocket-books, 45c. Ounce perfume, with bottle, worth 5c. for 19c.

45c Leather belts, 25c. Pearl buttons 15c kind for 10c. Velveteen for skirt binding worth

Stamped doyles, worth 19c, each 121e Men's 25c silk scarfs, 18c.

#### Collarettes

c. for 5c.

\$15.00 Black Marten, \$9.50. \$18.00 Electric Seal, \$10.00. \$15.00 Electric Astrackan, \$8.50. \$ 7.00 Coney, \$3.50.

\$12.00 Electric \$6.00. \$23.00 Blue fox, \$15.00. A great sale of wrappers is now gong on 75c to \$2.00.

7 Black Kersey Jackets that were \$8.00, for this sale, to close out, \$3.50. 6 \$14.98 Jackets in rough and plaim cloths \$7.50. 5 blk. capes that were \$4.50, to close

New black satin shirt waists plaited

and blouse fronts \$5.00.

#### Kitchen Dept

3 qt. Granite Iron tea or coffee pot 25c. " pails 10c. 19c. " Angel cake pan 10c. Any size granite iron pie plate 10c. Long handle coal shovels, 5c. Best parlor brooms 23c. Standard work baskets 49c. Paper racks 39c.

Blown glass pitchers 21c.

Glass cheese dishes 10c.

Muslin Underwear Ladies full size night gown, tuck and ruffled, 39c ones for 29c. Ladies full size night gown, Hamburged and tucked the 50c ones for 39c. Umbrella drawers 25c. The blouse French corset cover. 49c to 75c. Umbrella skirts deep Ham-

Haviland china cups and saucers 25c.

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burg, 75c.

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#### LOCAL NEWS.

Councilman Gregory expects to be out of town in March.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. F. Bailwitz, early Saturday morning.

Mrs. James Evenden is ill at her home in South Main street, South Nor

The South Norwalk council adjourned on Monday last until Monday next.

The Emmahke society entertained a number of friends at Miss Baird's Monday night.

The late Theodore E. Smith had an insurance of \$2,000 on his life in the National Provident Union.

The annual sociable of Hope Hose company will be given at Lockwood's hall, Friday evening, April 15.

Miss Clara Hill of Norwalk, has been selected as a page at the Continental Congress, D A. R. held in Washington.

The Lockwood Manufacturing com pany are working nine hours a dayand have orders enough on hand to keep them going far into the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Nichols and Mr. and Mrs. B. Franklin Umbach, of South O: ange, N. J., have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob M. Layton, of Fairfield avenue.

A horse belonging to the Ells & Co. Ice Company broke through the ice at Kellogg's pond, Friday, but was rescued through the herculean efforts of those engaged on the pond.

The marriage of Frank G. Bouton of Danbury, formerly of South Norwalk, and Miss Annie H. Higby took place at the East avenue church, Monday afternoon, the ceremony being performed by Rev. A. J. Smith.

Miss Dotha Stone Pinneo has been invited to give an address upon "The Library Movement in the United States," at the biennial meeting of the General Federation of Women's club's to be held in Denver, Col., next June.

Saturday, February 26th, was announced as "Children's Day" at the Central Club, on the February cards. It has been thought best by the management to postpone this frolic for the children until after Lent.

Landlord Charles H. Tuttle of the Norwalk Hotel has made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors. Mr. Tuttle assumed the management of the hotel some four years ago. He names Charles Lee of Bridgeport as a preferred creditor.

Landlord John Hadden has closed the restaurant business of the Hotel Preston, and the store will be to rent. It is understood that a South Norwalk boniface has purchased the tables, chairs, etc. Mr. Hadden now has furnished rooms to let without board.

The Wednesday Afternoon Euchre club played their last games before Lent at the residence of Mrs. F. H. Quintard, Tuesday afternoon. The club prizes were won by Mrs. M. T Hatch and Miss Clara Hatch and the guest prize went to Mrs. Howard Holmes.

Norwalk is agitating the project of a new hotel-one that should be a credit to the city. That's a perennial amusement in Norwalk. Once in about so many years the business men are called together in public conference to consider the project of a new hotel-one that shall be a credit to the city. In the meantime the city continues to be a credit to any hotel in it.—New Haven Palladium.

The third annual reception of the Norwalk Catholic club took place at Lockwood's Hall, Monday night, and was a repetition of the great success of previous sociables given by the club. The dancing lasted until the next day and was indulged in to the music of Smythe's orchestra. The grand march was led by William Howard and Miss Julia Loughlin and the evolutions in the same showed to advantage the grace of the "marchers" and rich costumes worn by the ladies. It was a season of pleasure for all and a grand affair prior to the commencement of the Lenten season.

General Russell Frost of South Nor-F. Canfield, of Bridgeport, have been from Stamford, who was sentenced to appointed by the superior court as two years for arson, was their compan grievance committee for the bar of ion. Weeks looked at ease, talked Fairfield county, whose duty it is to more freely than he has done at any consider complaints against attorneys time since his arrest, and certainly had for any unprofessional or dishonest con- the appearance of being contented duct and any act involving a breach of confidence with a client or in any case where the committee considers it prop-, head, keeping his eyes riveted upon er shall present the case to the superior court and have the same prosecuted the miserable specimen of humanity by the state's attorney.

On Saturday last, Engineer Morgan opened the whistle valve on locomotive No. 506 of the Consolidated road, at good bye to the miserable wretch who the company's yards near Pine Island disfigured and blinded Jennie Kinsella and the valve refusing to close there for life. Owen Murphy left for his fuwas a continuous strain of steam whist- ture home behind the stone walls of ling that attracted quite a crowd, some the prison without a single relative or of whom were under the impression friend to say a word of cheer. No that a Spanish cruiser was entering prisoner ever received a sentence in the harbor. The fears of the latter, however, were allayed by Engineer so utterly failed to arouse even a Morgan who explained the situation. mementary sympathy. The valve was in the meantime shut off but later acted in the same contrary

William Powell has moved from Main to Grand street, Norwalk.

Miss Alice Henry, of West Norwalk is a guest of relatives in Stamford.

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs Henry Williams, of Taylor avenue. Mrs. Elizabeth Reed of Bethel, is

visiting at the home of Juliette Betts in this city. George H. Raymond has been ap-

pointed administrator of the estate of the late Horace E. Bartlett. A daughter has been born to Mr. and

Mrs. G. O. Sawyer, of Walton, N. Y Mrs. Sawyer was formerly Miss Bessie Davis, of South Norwalk. Mrs. S. A. Snowden von Tagen, only

remaining daughter of the late Arthur H. and Laurentine B. Snowden, formerly of South Norwalk, died at Stratford on Monday.

P. J. Finn, a noted Philadelphian speaker, will make an address at the Norwalk opera house, Friday evening, March 4, under the auspices of the two local divisions A. O. H.

County Commissioner Miller of Danbury, who has been ill for two months, experienced a set back this week; but is again on the improve. It will be some time before he is able to resume his official duties.

The St. Peter's church society having decided to keep their pastor, Rev. Gustav Runge in their service another year, the latter has decided to take no action as against such decision, and will continue in the good work of the

Dairy Commmissioner Noble and Deputy Commissioner Eaton were in New Haven Saturday, where they were engaged in the prosecution of Mary Brothers, a boarding house keeper at the corner of Court and Artisan streets, who was charged with serving oleomargarine upon her tables without displaying the sign prescribed by law. Judge Bishop, before whom the case was tried fined her \$25, which was paid.

Thomas J. Trainor of Bridgeport, and Miss Mary Elizabeth Carew of South Norwalk celebrated Washington's birthday by getting married yes- tion as that of last year for the light terday. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. T. Winters of St. Joseph's church. The groom's best man was George H. Connell of Bridgeport, and the bridesmaid was Mary E. Finnegan. A reception was held at the home of the bride on Clay street. Mr. and Mrs. Trainor after a short bridal trip will make South Norwalk their home.

Among the latest corporation returns filed at the Town Clerk's office are the

HOYT & OLMSTEAD CIGAR CO.-Capital stock, \$10,000; personal estate, \$13,-476.83; debts, \$6,839,58; credits, \$6,-

SOUTH NORWALK HAT CO.-Capital, \$20,000; personal estate, \$10,445; debts,

\$20,286; credits, \$1,425.06. NORWALK & SOUTH NORWALK ELEC-TRIC LIGHT Co.—Capital, \$64,000; real estate, \$20,000; personal estate, \$164,

903.89; debts, \$8,284.85. A meeting of those interested in the ew hotel project was held Monday night. A committee appointed at a previous meeting placed the valuation of the present Norwalk hotel property

at \$15,000. George C. Lockwood, owner of the property, agreed to accept the valuation and to take one-half of the amount in stock in the new hotel.

A unanimous sentiment was expressed that there would be no difficulty in securing the amount of stock necessary to erect a hotel building of which Norwalkers can well feel proud. The stock subscription papers will be gotten out at once

Another meeting will be held to-morrow evening for a further discussio of the project.

Two men went to a living tomb last Saturday morning, Owen Murphy and David Weeks going to Wethersfield, both to spend there the rest of their lives. Both are young men, less than 30, and unless the board of Pardons interferes or an untimely death overtakes them, they have many years to spend inside the prison walls.

Murphy and Weeks were handcuffed together and in charge of Sheriff Hawwalk, Howard H. Knapp and Charles ley. Mary Sylvia, the colored woman with his lot.

Murphy, on the contrary, hung his the floor. The vitriol thrower looked that he is. Beside him Weeks created a favorable impression.

There was no one present to say the courts of this country before who

The one glance at the sightless eyes and scarred face of Jennie Kinsella sic for dancing. manner when the train started for had made sympathy for Murphy simply

## THE CITY'S DEBT.

It was an adjourned meeting held by the Norwalk City council Monday evening, but it was more rife with business than have been some previous regular

Councilman W. R. Bates was the only member absent when Mayor Glover called the meeting to order.

Bills aggregating something like \$900 were received and ordered paid. A bill from the water commissioners and amounting to \$4.50, for water service at the police station, caused a difference of opinion in the minds of the board with the result that the bill was tabled.

The committee appointed relative to the authority pertaining to the appointment of a health officer reported adversely and it was voted that the health board be notified of such report.

treasurer, H. P. Price, with good and New York, Sidney S. Alberti. sufficient endorsers, was received and

Councilman Cotter reported that he did not think it expedient at the present time to grant the prayer of petitioners for an electric light on Franklin

In reporting on the matter of a reduction of city electric lighting he said, that under the present contract made by the city with the Electric Light company he could not see why the inevitable should not be accepted.

He further stated, however, that we could manufacture our lights at 25 per cent. of the present cost, and added that he was interested in a plant in Pennsylvania where equal service was given at half the cost of that charged to the city of Norwalk.

He recommended the same appropriadepartment.

The appropriation for the sewer committee on recommendation of Councilman Gregory was made the same as last

Councilman Bates, chairman of the highway committee, reported several of city highways as being in poor condition. He recommended an appropriation of \$4,500 with a special appropri ation of \$1,000 for extras,

No action was taken in the police department appropriation.

Councilman Meeker, chairman of the finance committee, asked for an appropriation of \$15,000. An additional sum of \$5,000 was asked for the administrative department.

The refunding of \$250,000 of the city's debt at 3½ per cent. was suggested and it was further suggested that it could be done at even a lesser figure. The matter was referred for future action.

It was voted that the annual city meeting be held in the Town House,

Mayor Glover reported that he had been informed by Dr. J. G. Gregory that the present sanitary condition of the Norwalk library was such that it had caused illness among the employ-

Councilman Gregory retorted by saying, "Bill Wardwell was there for a long time, he don't look now very much like a sick man."

Councilman Cotter thought that perhaps the Council was a sort of a nonenity in Library matters, and Councilman Burr expressed it, as to his mind, strange, that the Council had but little voice in the premises, as to moving.

The matter of moving the library was referred to the corporation counsel for report at the next meeting of the

A bomb was exploded when it was stated that the library directors asked for an appropriation of \$2,400, to "run the library in proper shape."

Councilman Gregory was of the opinion that the only way to keep the library directors within bounds was to curtail the expense of the library, and intimated that unless this was done the amount expended would reach an unreasonable amount, perhaps \$25,000.

This matter was referred to the Corporation counsel and the meeting adjourned until next Monday evening.

The senior secret society of Miss Baird's school gave a concert and dance Monday evening. Among the pleasing features of the occasion were the readings by Miss Gertrude Lyon and the banjo and guitar duets by the Misses Marsh. Miss Agnes Littlejohn also gave some pleasing · violin selections. Weidenhammer furnished mu-

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## TO START UP.

W. Frank Bishop who owns a controlling interest in the plant of the Union Mills is authority for the state- ligations of Wealth." He said the life ment that the mill will at an early date start up under the management of obligations to serve the State; never to Louis Hollingsworth of Providence.

Mr. Hollingsworth was at one time manager of the National Providence Worsted Co. and a man said to be fully capable of conducting the local plant in a satisfactory manner.

Extensive improvements have been going on at the factory for some time, and no doubt the looms will soon again

The New York Textile Journal of a recent date says that the Norwalk & Fairfield Worsted Mills, of Norwalk, Conn., were incorporated at Trenton, N. J., Tuesday, Feb. 15. The capital is \$100,000. The corporators are Julius The bond of city and water fund C. Lorze and Louis Hollingsworth, of

#### FASTING IN LENT.

Bishop Tierney has sent the following circular letter to the clergy of the diocese of Hartford on the regulations for Lent:

"The regulations of Lent for this diocese continue the same as formerly,

"1. All the week days of Lent are fasting days of obligation on one meal only; custom, however, has authorized the use of a slight collation in the evening and a cup of tea or coffee, etc., in the morning. Though the fast also implies abstinence, yet by dispensation the use of flesh meat is allowed at all times on Sundays and at the principal meals on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thurs. days, and Saturdays, except the second and last Saturdays of Lent.

"I. The use of eggs, butter and cheese is permitted at the collation, provided the laws of quantity be ob-

"3. Besides lard, the fat rendered from any kind of meat may be used on any day in Lent, and on days of abstinence and fast days throughout the

"4. Flesh and fish, are not allowed at the same meal, even on Sundays.

"5. Women pregnant or nursing, the sick, the aged and feeble, children under twenty-one years of age, and those whose employment is of a laborious or exhausting character are excused from the obligation of fasting, and may use flesh meat more than once on the days when it is allowed, but must abstain on Wednesdays, Fridays, and the second and last Saturdays.

"6. By virtue of a late indult of the Holy See, working people are permitted the use of flesh meat on the days of Lent, except Fridays, Ash Wednesday, and Wednesday and Saturday of Holy Week. This dispensation, however, allows the use of meat but once a day to those who are obliged to fast."

Bishop Tierney has also sent to the clergy, a letter calling attention to a decree of the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore, providing that a collection be taken up in all the churches on the first Sunday in Lent, to succor the missions among the Indians and colored people of the United States, as well as to aid the Society for the Propagation

of the Faith. He adds: "It is opportune to note that our government has, in a great part withdrawn its accustomed appropriation for the Catholic missions among the Indians, so that they are now all but entirely dependent upon the charity of the

#### Grade Crossings.

Connecticut professes to be an up-todate State, but it is not getting rid of its dangerous grade crossings any fast er than other States. In 1887 there were 1,215 grade crossings in the State, and during the past ten years this number has been reduced by exactly 200, or at the rate of twenty a year. At this rate it will still require a half a century to rid the Nutmeg State of the grade crossings that should have been abolished before this time.

Nearly one-half of the crossings abolished during ten years were those of a single line,-the New York, New Haven and Hartford. This line had 204 grade crossings in 1887 and only 109 in 1897, a reduction of 95 in number. Of the fourteen distinct and separate railway systems which traverse the State, there has been an increase in grace crossings in five, a decrease in eight and in one-the New London Northern the number remains the same.

Connecticut should get rid of its grade crossings in less than fifty years or become one of the slowest States in the country-Philadelphia Times.

The crack Eastern District basket ball team of Brooklyn was defeated by the Co. F team at the Armory, Monday night by score of 14 to 8. The game was hotly contested. This was the third defeat suffered by the visitors two of which are due to Co. F players. The visitors were given a supper after the game.

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#### HARRISON ON WEALTH.

The Prosperous Should Bear Their Share of Government Support.

Chicago, Feb. 23.-At the Union League Club in Chicago yesterday ex-President Harrison spoke on "The Obof Washington "teaches no lesson more strongly than that the citizen is under shirk his full share of burden and labor and sacrifice, but rather to do more.

"The special purpose of my address to-day," he said, "is to press home this thought upon the prosperous, well-todo people of our community, and especially of our great cities, that one of the conditions of the security of wealth is a proportionate and full contribution to the expenses of the State and local governments. It is not only wrong, but it is unsafe to make a show in our homes and on the street that is not made in the tax returns.

"In New York State the proportion of personal property assessed for taxation is only about 12 per cent. of the total amount of property taxed. Yet Comptrolled Roberts, of that State, expresses the opinion that the taxable personal property owned in the State is at least equal to the amount of real estate. Illinois and many other States present the same condition, differing only in degree.

"It is easy to see how this offense against patriotism has grown to such proportion. The very sense that inequality is injustice has promoted it. One man sees that his neighbor is not making a conscientious tax return, and that if he returns his property honestly he will pay disproportionately. The salve in the saying, 'Everybody does

'It is not easy to see how a Federal control of these questions can be established. The States are not likely to surrender such important powers to the national government. It is more than questionable whether New Jersey and Connecticut, for instance, could be induced to forego the inducements which their tax laws, or the administration of them, may offer to wealthy New York-

#### Brand for American Horses.

Berlin, Feb. 21.-The German Agricultural Society is preparing statistics relating to the imports of American horses and everything relating to horse breeding in the United States. The society now demands that American horses be quarantined for six weeks at the German ports, and furthermore, that they be branded with a distinctive mark on the day they arrive.

#### Tore Down the Spanish Flag.

Dayton, O., Feb. 23.-The National Cash Register Company is holding a onvention here of agents from all over the world, and, among other countries, Spain is represented. In honor of the various nations, the different flags were displayed. Objection was made to the Spanish flag by the workmen at the factory, and twelve Spanish flags displayed about the works were pulied down and torn into shreds. President John H. Patterson, of the company, ordered twenty-four Spanish flags put up to replace the ones torn

Advices from Europe indicate that the Spanish-American situation is regarded there as serious.

BIG THEFT OF ENVELOPES.

Two Men Accused of Selling Six Million for Waste Paper.

Washington, Feb. 21.-James Vesser and Robert N. Mills, who were connected with the Republican Congressional Committee during the late campaign, were arrested Saturday on the charge of stealing six million envelopes. the property of the committee, which were stored in the old Congressional Globe Building. The envelopes were sold for waste paper at the rate of a

dollar a thousand. Vesser is from Virginia and Mills from Texas. When one of their friends made inquiry of the court as to the amount of bail which would be necessary to secure their release he was told that it would be \$1,000 in each case. This the men were unable to give, and they were locked up. Vesser asserts that he only took waste material, and that he is innocent of any intent to defraud.

The envelopes taken were of the large variety used in sending out Congressional speeches and they carry blanks for franks, although they were not franked. They were missed during the past week, when some of them were needed by the committee. An investigation resulted in fixing suspicion upon Mills and Vesser.

#### To Enforce Pennsylvania's Live Stock Law.

Harrislurg, Pa., Fab 21. -!! has been determined by the State Live Stock Sanitary Board to enforce strictly the recent act of Assembly requiring an examination of all cattle shipped into Pennsylvania. Some cattle dealers have been opposed to the law, but they are now beginning to realize its benefits. In no case has the cost of inspection exceeded \$1 a head. About 300 cattle have been examined at Pittsburg, where they are tagged, showing that they are The Live Stock Board is now considering the desirability of providing an examination of all cattle sold by dealers in Pennsylvania stock.

Baseball Magnates to Meet in St. Louis. New York, Feb. 21.-Next Monday the annual schedule meeting of the National League will be held at St. Louis. The club owners and presidents, who have been dubbed magnates since there have been several baseball organizations, will have several important questions to handle besides passing on the schedule. They will vote on John T. Brush's famous resolution, which proposes to blacklist for life a ball player who forgets himself on the field. It is more than likely that this will be modified.

#### Presents from President McKinley.

Washington, Feb. 21.-The President of the United States has presented loving cups, each duly inscribed, to Jose Mendez y Horrera, sub-li-stenant of Spanish marines, and to Eugenio Mortero y Reguera, lieutenant of the Spanish navy, in recognition of their humane services to the captain and crew of the American brig Wau-Bun, wrecked October 25, 1897, on a reef about eight miles north of Cape San Antonio light, Island of Cuba.

be made at once. [or a supersedeas and a new trial will An application to the Supreme Court by Judge Gary to life imprisonment. tilled Saturday and ne was sentenced gert's motion for a new trial was over-Chicago, Feb. 21,-Adolph L. Luct Luetgert Sentenced to Life Imprisonment.



SPRING GOWN OF CHEVIOT FROM HARPER'S BAZAR

Black Cheviot Gown.

Already people are beginning to gowns. Cheviot is the material which seems to meet the first demand, and there are several different styles in which it is used. One design is made with a skirt which has the effect of an front. The front turns over in double vary plainly at the hand. revers, on the upper one of which is a

pattern of braiding. There is a point ed vest and stock-collar of white silk think about making up their spring laid in tucks, and below this yoke is a vest of black satin. The correct cut of this gown can be obtained from the cut paper pattern issued by Harper's Bazar, where it appears. The contrast of the white against the black is very good, apron and a very narrow front breadth; and makes the gown more becoming the waist is in basque fashion, shorter than it otherwise would be. The at the back, considerably, than it is in | sleeves are of medium size, finished

OLD SHOES.

How much a man is like old shoes!
For instance, both a soul may lose,
Both have been ta ned, both are made tight
By cobblers, both get left and right,
Both need a mate to be complete,
And both are made to go on feet,
They both need heeling, oft are sold,
And both in time turn all to mould.
With shoes the last is first, with men
The first shall be the last; and when
The shoes wear out they are mended new,
When men wear out they're men-dead, too.
They both are trod upon, and both
Will tread on others, nothing loath;
Both have their ties and both incline
When polished in the world to shine,
And oth peg out—and would you choose
To be a man or be his shoes?

#### NORA'S BLUNDER.

If Miss Mattie Rice had yawned once since breakfast she had yawned a score of times; and even pretty Eveleen was growing drowsy over her embroidery by the window. For it was a hopelessly rainy day in mid October, with the sky veiled in dark gray mist, the tinted leaves floating down into matted layers of dim color around the columns of the piazza, and the tall lahdias nearly prostrated by the steady downpour. No walks, no gathering of ferns, mosses, berries in the still, delicious woods; no dreamy rambles to the mountain tops-and worst and saddest of all, nothing to

"And I won't be deluded into working worsteds," said Matty, "nor yet into crewels and Kensington stitch Eveleen, what is that delightful book that papa was reading aloud out or last night?"

"Do you mean the 'Recreations of a Country Parson?" said Eveleen, comparing two shades of rose-colored

"If that's the name of it—yes."

"He took it to the city with him," said Eveleen. "I saw it sticking out of his coat pocket when he was runcing for the train."

"How provoking!" sighed Matty clasping her dimpled hands above her head; "when it's the book of all books that I should like to read on a day like

"Mr. Winton has a copy of it," said Evenleen, threading a worsted needle with the very darkest shade of gar

"But what good will that do me?" said Mattie, disconsolately.

"Borrow it," suggested Evenleen.
"Everybody borrows everything in a place like this; and I'm sure Mr. Winton would be glad to oblige you."
"But how?" urged Matty. "The

"But how?" urged Matty. "The hotel is at least half a mile away."
"Send Nora."

"Nora, indeed! I don't suppose Nova ever did an errand in her life," said Matty.

"Then it's high time she commenced," laughingly suggested Eveleen. "Write a note!"

"I'd rather send a verbal message,"
said Matty; "and I wouldn't send at
all if I wasn't dying to read the end
of that essay that papa began last
night."

Nora, deep in the energetic occupation of blacking the kitchen stove, was summoned up-stairs.

"Nova," said Matty, impressively, "I want you to go to the hotel. You know where that is?"

know where that is?"
"Sure an' I do, miss," said Nora with
wide mouth open, and eyes of intense

"And ask for Mr. Winton, and tell mim that Miss Matty Rice sends her compliments, and would like to borrow the Recreation of a Country Parson."

"You're sure you understand?"
"Yis'm, an' why wouldn't I?"
promptly retorted Nora, rather nettled
by this implied asperation on her powers of comprehension.

"And come back as quick as you can."

"Sure an' it's me that will," said Nora.

And presently the two sisters caught a glimpse of her beneath the folds of a rusty waterproof cloak, with a mammoth umbrella held over her head, disappearing behind the huge leaves of the rhododendron hedge.

"I hope she won't be long," said

"Why should she," said serene Eveleen.

And she went on composedly with the pomegranate blossoms that she was embroidering, while Matty sat down to the piano, and tried to pick out the notes of some dreamy refrain, which had haunted her ever since she heard it at the opera last winter, with Patti smiling on the stage and the strains.

And Nora plunging down the ravine, like anything but a woodnymph, plashed her way to the going a quarter of a mile out of her road on account of a spotted snake, and stopping for a good chat with a fellow-Hibernian who was on his way to the postoffice.

"There," said Nora, as she turned away from Teddy O'Hara, "An' sure I've forgotten the name as clane as if I niver had heard it."

"Whose name was it, Alana?" consoling demanded Colonel Ross' coachman, whose soft nothings had put the message completely out of Nora's head.

"There was somethin' in it about the 'Rectory of a Country Parson,'" said Nora, twisting herself into the letter S, with the violent atempt at recollection to which she forced herself.

"There ain' no rectory hereabouts," said Teddy. "Sure it ain't built yet! But the parson he's up on the hotel teps. I seen him there as I came beaug. A tall young gentleman, with he vest—for all the wurreld like the ell—an, spectacles as gintle as

Lize. Is it a message you've got or him. Nora, mavourneen?"
"I'm to borrow him!" said Nora, fixing her dull, glassy glare on Teddy O'Hara's astonished face.

"To borrow him?" repeated Teddy. Teddy uttered a whistle.

"It's the quarest loan as iver I heard of," said he. "An' if it's a fair question, who is it wants him?"

"Miss Matty Rice's compliments," repeated Nora with parrot-like promptitude, "and she wants to borrow the parson."

Teddy exploded into a laugh.

"Sure, an' if it was leap year," said he, "I should think it meant something. I never heard such a message in all me born days before. But I must make haste, or the mail will be off."

Away trudged Teddy, while Nora kept on to the hotel, all unconscious of the curious transformation that had befallen her luckless message.

"Is the parson here?" demanded she, shaking her umbrella, and stamping the mud off her feet on the steps of the mountain hotel, which was still well filled with guests who had lingered to see the splendors of the October forests among the woods.

The hotel clerk, who had just come out to glance at the barometer, stared at her; the young ladies on the wide veranda giggled; the stout old gentlemen, who were walking up and down the boards to gain their daily two miles of exercise, stopped short; and a spectacled, grave-looking young man, who was talking with a lady just beyond, glanced around, as if he fancied that he were personally interested.

"Do you want the—clergyman?" said the hotel clerk, doubtful yet polite.

"Is it a stone mason or a chimney swape I'd be manin,' d'ye think!" retorted Nora, beginning to imagine that she was being made game of. "I am the clergyman," said the

"I am the clergyman," said the spectacled gentleman, stepping court-ously forward at this juncture. "Is there anything I can do for you?"

"Miss Matty Rice's compliments," said Nora, without in the least abating the shrillness of her voice, "an' she wants to borrow you."

"I beg your pardon," said Mr. Fountaine, "but—I'm not quite sure that I understand you, my good woman."
"I'm speakin' the English language,

sure," said Nora, somewhat affronted.
"She wants to borrow you."
"But what for?" said he, ignoring

the titters of the group which was now fast gathering on the veranda.

"To amuse herself wid this rainy day," said Nora. "You're to come back wid me, p'lase. I was to bring you. Miss Matty Rice's compliments, and——"

"Really," said Mr. Fontaine, "this is very strange."

"The Rices live in a little Swiss cottage by the Haldino Falls," suggested the hotel clerk. "Gentleman goes up and down to the city every day. Keeps a pony carriage."

"You're to come back wid me, please," interrupted Nora. "The Rectory,' or 'the County Parson,' Miss Matty Rice's compliments, and—"

Mr. Fontaine hurriedly surveying the situation in his mind's eye, decided it was better to obey this strange

And putting on a waterproof wrap, and arming himself with a light silk umbrella, he accompanied Nora Mc-Shane, to the great buzzing and whispering of the group on the veranda.

Miss Rice was listessly watching Eveleen's embroidery, as the door bounced open and Nora rushed in, exclaiming,—
"Here he is! I've brought him!"

"Brought whom?" exclaimed Matty in surprise.
"The country parson," said Nora.

There wasn't no rectory, I inquired for it, but it wasn't built."

"What on earth is the girl talking

about?" said Matty in amazement.
And then Mr. Fontaine walked in,
holding his hat in his hand.

"I am the clergyman," said he.
"Can I be of any use?"

Matty colored a deep cherry-pink.

"Oh, dear, I am so sorry!" she faltered; "but there is some dreadful
mistake here. I sent Nora to the
hotel to borrow a book, and she has
brought me back—a man!"

brought me back—a man!"
"A book?" said Mr. Fontaine.

"Yes," said Mattie, trying harder and harder to keep back her laughter as the comic side of the circumstance forced itself upon her. "The Recreations of a Country Parson," Mr. Winton has it."

Mr. Fontaine began to laugh. So did Matty and Eveleen; and in five minutes they were the best friends in the world. Mr. Fontaine stayed to lunch, and they never knew how that long rainy morning whiled itself away, until at last the blue rifts of sky spread banners above the pine trees on old Sky-Top, and every shining drop was transformed into a tiny rainbow.

Mr. Fontaine came often after that. So did Mr. Paul Winton, the owner of the genuine "Country Parson." And when the family closed their cottage, and returned to the city, the two young men discovered that the journey to Philadelphia was not such a very long one. And there is every probability that the lacking rectory will be built in the spring and that the country parson will bring a pretty young wife there; at least so says popular gossip.

"Dear, stupid old Nora!" says Mat-

ty Rice, "it was all her doing. And she shall have a home with me always."
"But blunders don't always termin-

ways."
"But blunders don't always terminate successfully," Eveleen gravely remarks

"Of course," observed Xerxes, the King, "my will is law."

"Doubtiess," answered the wise man of the court, after consulting a few authorities. "That is to say if Your Majesty doesn't leave too large an estate."
—Chicago Record.

ADULINE NATTE, OR CANVAS AGAIN.
Surah Instead of Taffeta to be Used for
the Underskirt.

By special arrangement with the N.Y. Sun) In the new materials there seems to e everything between gauze and serge oming into market. Canvas in a raried form, very soft in texture, is to e worn again, and its new name is mouline natte." It shows embroiderd stripes, too, which makes it very lecorative. Cashmere, very thin and ight, and various poplin fabrics with satin stripes are also on the list. Maerials woven so as to have the appearance of being tucked crosswise seem to be the chief novelty, and in transparent fabrics, such as grenadine and mousseline de soie, they are charming. For thin cotton gowns there is a great



variety in white and colored muslins, which come with the skirts practically all made, as the ruffles and insertions are all in place. Some of these skirtings have three and four ruffles of embroidery with insertions at the head of each one; others have only one ruffle at the bottom and vertical bands of insertion striping them at intervals all around above it.

One or two hints as to the most desirable purchases to be made at the pargain counter just now may be of use. Surely it is safe to invest in any material which has bayadere stripes, cords, or effects of any sort, and surah silk in any pretty color is likely to prove useful, as it is employed, instead of taffeta, for the underskirts in some of



the latest gowns. This may be interpreted as a prediction as regards the fate of the fashionable rustling skirts, since surah has no such sounding rustle in its folds. Peau de soie and glace silks in plain or shot colors are very much used for the shirt waists, now such a feature of morning dress, and velveteens with polka dots of contrasting color are also one of the popular materials for this purpose.

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The irrepressible cotton shirt waist has appeared again in the shops, with a few variations to recommend it as new. The yoke is straight across the back, instead of pointed as it was last season. It is not nearly so pretty, but a change is a necessity in the rank and file of fashion. The sleeves are smaller, and the front is pouched after the manner of the latest blouse. The fashionable tailor gown of the season is supplied with two or three silk



waists in addition to the one which matches the skirt. They are variously trimmed with lace, velvet, and bands of fur, or made in the simple shirt waist style, with tucks and handsome jewelled studs for their only decoration.

Something new in lace is "wire-

something new in lace is "wiregrounded" Valenciennes for trimming underwear and warranted to wear out the nainsook it decorates.

White suede gloves are the thing for afternoon and evening wear, and white suede slippers are worn for dancing.

EDISON, JR., WIZARD-

SON OF THE FAMOUS ELECTRICIAN TO SHIFT FOR HIMSELF.

He is Twenty-One Years Old, and Many
Men of Twice His Age Have Learned in
the Last Few Months to Watch Him
with Much Interest.

Thomas A. Edison has need to look to his laurels. His son and namesake, sent forth from the shelter of the paternal roof and beyond the influence of paternal guidance, expects to make things warm for his father in the line of electrical research and invention.

Thomas A. Edison, Jr., is something of a "wizard" himself. He is twenty-one years old, and many men of twice his age have learned in the last few months to watch him with much interest.



THOMAS A. EDISON, JR.

Thousands of persons to whom the name of Edison is familiar have never heard of this youthful scientist, yet he has had a large part in experiments and discoveries that have startled the world. For years he has spent most of his waking and many of his sleeping aours in the laboratories of his father, those incubators of mysterious things born to amaze. All these matters he has known from his youth up, and eners upon his manhood with a wonderful equipment of knowledge. But why lid he not stay with his father? Why not be a partner instead of a rival?

The explanation calls up a curious picture. Figuratively speaking, one bright morning last August, Edison called the young man to him and spake thus:—

"Thomas, my son, you know almost as much as your father, but what you know will never be of use to you until you know men. Get out, Thomas, and study men. Brush up against the world for a while, and let us see what you are made of. You have good ideas. Work them. Good morning."

So the young man started out, with a head full of ideas, and a lusty desire

so the young man started out, with a head full of ideas, and a lusty desire to make himself heard in the world's noisy traffic. To-day he has an office in a big building in New York and the big electrical manufacturing companies with the long titles and the capital of many millions are studying this young man with great care, while pretending that they are not aware of his existence.

This is a very hollow pretence, how-

ever, for he has attacked them in their own strongholds. He has invented a device which, he says, is only the first of a series of improved appliances in various lines of electrical work. It is an incandescent lamp, similar to the one now in use to the inexperienced eye, but possessing, it is said, many advantages. He calls it the "Edison Junior," with conscious pride, and claims for it superiority over all others in the important details of vacuum and filament.

filament.

To achieve these results the young man designed his own pump, and says that with it he can exhaust ten lamps to a high degree of perfection in less time than is required by the ordinary vacuum pumps generally used to exhaust one lamp. The filament is his own invention also—a chemical combination carbonized at 4,000 degrees Fahrenheit, making it as near absolutely pure carbon, as it is possible to obtain. \*Curiously enough, neither the pump. nor the filament has been patented.

ented.

"My father's experience has taught me to steer clear of the Patent Office. He has taken out scores of patents, but he has spent as much money and time fighting to uphold them, I guess, as they are worth. I'm going to keep my ideas to myself. Secrecy is a better safeguard than a patent any time."

Undoubtedly young Edison believes in secrecy. The ideas for this lamp same to him four or five years ago, but he quietly stored them up against a rainy day. This having come, he ruts them to excellent use.

Young Edison is highly gratified with the result of his business venture. His father, it should be observed, has nothing to do with this lamp, yet it is being manufactured and sold in large quantities. The young man declined to say where his financial backing came from, but as he speaks of travellers on their way to South America, of Pacific coast agencies, and of the Japanese and Chinese trade, it is to be presumed that large amounts are interested, and the big companies employing his respected father must wake up.

A Distinction. Stranger—"Are you the religious ed-

The Editor—"I cannot tell a lie. I am only the editor of the religious department."—Indianapolis Journal.

Weary Wauker-What do you con-

ider the fiercest cross of dog, Dusty?

Dusty Beers—One between you an'
le fence!—New York Journal.

GOOD STORY OF NAPOLEON.

le Liberated a Scotchman at Oberkampf's Request.

Napoleon had at one time many admirers in England, especially among he commercial classes, who suffered eeply from the war, but he alienated he sympathies of all such by his cruel arrest of the English who were in France at the time of the rupture of he peace of Amiens, in 1803.

Yet, in individual cases, Napoleon howed some magnanimity. A young scotchman, one Robert Hendry, from flasgow, a scientific dyer and chemist, and taken advantage of the peace to isit the great manufacturing houses of France, and he was staying at Jony, where Oberkampf had established a nuge cotton printing factory, when var suddenly broke out. Hendry was hereupon constituted a prisoner by he authorities, but allowed to remain an parole at Jouy.

Napoleon one day visited the factory inexpectedly, accompanied by Josephne; he made a rapid progress through he works; villagers and work people, he latter numbering 1,400,assembled to vitness his departure, cheering the corege, and cheering still louder when he Emperor was seen to take the ross from his own breast and affix it that of the modest Oberkampf. Isbey painted the scene, and the picure is still to be found upon the walls of Versailles. But Oberkampf had still omething to ask. Napoleon smiled propitiously, but made a wry face when he heard the petition , which was or the release of the prisoner. "An Englishman?" "No, sir, a Scotchman. His mother, his sisters, depend on his abors." "Well, he shall be free, then," aid the Emperor .- Household World.

MAN WHO DISCOVERED VAN WYCK.
New York's Mayor Responsible to Johnny
Carroll for His Place.

Mayor Van Wyck, before his nomination by Tammany last Fall, was practically unknown even in New York. He was a member of the Wigwam, but of no more importance than hundreds of other braves who follow Big Chief Croker. John F. Carroll, an east side politician, and



an intimate friend of Mr. Croker, suggested to the latter Van Wyck's name when the councils were casting about for candidates for Mayor of Greater New York. Carroll saw his man triumphantly elected, and during the reign of Tammany, will, in consequence, be about the biggest man in Metropolitan politics. Carroll

HE WAS TAUGHT SELF-RELIANCE.

A Good Story of Henry Ward Beecher's
School Days.

has been an office holder from away

Henry Ward Beecher used to tell thi story of the way in which his teacher of mathematics taught him to

depend upon himself.
"I was sent to the blackboard, and went, uncertain, full of whimpering.

"'That lesson must be learned,' said my teacher, in a very quiet tone, but with a terrible intensity. All explanations and excuses he trod under foot with utter scornfulness. 'I want that problem; I don't want any reasons why you haven't it,' he would say. "'I did study two hours.'

"'That's nothing to me: I want the lesson. You need not study it at all, or you may study it ten hours, just to suit yourself. I want the lesson.'

It was tough for a green boy; but it seasoned me. In less than a month I had the most intense sense of intellectual independence and courage to defend my recitations.

"One day his cold, calm voice fell upon me in the midst of a demonstration. 'No!'

"I hesitated and then went back to the beginning, and on reaching the same point again 'No." uttered in a tone of conviction, barred my progress.

"The next!" and I sat down in red

"He, too, was stopped with 'No." but went right on, finished, and, as he sat down, was rewarded with 'Very well." "'Why,' whimpered I, 'I recited it just as he did, and you said 'No!"

"'Why didn't you say 'Yes,' and stick to it? It is not enough to know your lesson; you must know that you know it. You have learned nothing till you are sure. If all the world says No." your business is to say 'Yes,' and prove it.' "—Good Stories.

During the Revolution a little American privateer once stole up on an English line-of-battle ship in a defense fog, mistaking her for an East India merchant, and ordered her to strike. When the seventy-four ran out her curs and threatened to blow her puny sailant out of the water, the Yankee kipper stepped to the gangway, and aking off his hat, said politely: "Oh, very well, sir, if you won't surrender I will."—Argonaut.

Victoria Statue for Belfast.

The illustration given herewith is that of the statue which is to be erected in Belfast as a memorial of the Record Reign of her Majesty the Queen. The statue, which will be executed in the finest Sicilian marble, is eleven feet high. Her Majesty, is represented in royal robes, holding the orb in her left hand and the sceptre in her right. Across her breast she wears the Ribbon of the Garter, and the skirt of her dress is richly embroidered with the rose, shamrock and thistle. The pedestal is fourteen feet high, and will



be executed in Irish limestone. It is richly moulded and carved. The front is enriched with a large bronze cartouch, bearing the dates 1837-1897, and sustaining sprays of leaves and olive branches. On each side is a large bronze figure, representing the spinning and shipbuilding industries, and at the back is a figure, also in bronze, of a child reading, typical of education. The panel in front will bear the inscription of her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee Message:—"From my heart I thank my beloved people. May God bless them.—Victoria R. and I."

New English Commander,

The new commander of the English forces in the war against the rebels, General Sir William Stephen Alexander Lockhart, K. C. B., has just left England for the North-West frontier. He was born in 1841, and entered the Indian Army in 1858, becoming lieutenant in 1859, captain in 1868, and major in 1877. He was adjutant of the 14th Bengal Lancers in the Bhootan campaign of 1864-66, on the staff in the



Black Mountain expedition of 1868, and

took part in the Dutch war in Achin in 1875-77.

In the Afghan war of 1879-80 he was on duty in the Khyber Pass, and he commanded a brigade in the Burmese war of 1886-87. He was made majorgeneral for distinguished services in the Miranzai expedition of 1891, and he commanded the Isazai expedition of 1892, and the Waziristan Field Force in 1894-95. He is now the head of the Punjab command, and no better man could be found to deal with the refrac-

The New Troitsky Bridge.

St. Petersburg is to have a new wonder in the great Troitsky bridge, work

upon which is rapidly being prosecuted.

On his recent visit to the Czar, Felix Faure, President of the French Republic, was honored by being requested to



lay the first stone of the proposed bridge. This was only one of many compliments showered by the Russians upon the representative of the French people as evidence of their appreciation of the dual alliance.

A Pretty Sofa Cushion.

The sofa cushion of which a picture s herewith given differs from the ordinary pillow in its width and more particularly in the unique floral design, which gives it a tropical appear-



ance. It is filled with feathers, making a downy head rest and can be carried along on long and tedious journeys adding greatly to the comfort of travellers.

Rafferty (tugging wildly)—For ove av Hiven, Casey, hilp me pull pup off th' nayghur. R'll founder it ielf wid overatin'.

#### THE KING OF SIAM.

ONLY A BOY OF FIFTEEN WHEN HE ASCENDED THE THRONE.

Women Police Govern the Harem-No Limit to the Number of Wives Which the Ruler May Have-His Sisters and Daughters Never Marry.

Prabat Somdetch Pra Paranindr Maha Chulalongkorn Patindr Tepa Maha Mongkut Pra Chula Chom Klao Chow Yu Hua, King of Siam, was born on September 21, 1853, and succeeded to the throne on October 1, 1808; and, although only a youth of fifteen, he was already the father of two children. His majesty reads, writes and speaks English with ease, and all conversation between him and the Tsarewitch-present Tsar-who visited Siam in 1891, was carried on in that language. His earliest lessons were from an English governess, and these he continued later in life under an American resident. who acted as tutor. In addition to other Asiatic languages, he'possesses a knowledge of Pali, and his admirers claim that he is also a good Sanscrit scholar. The king's private life is passed in utter seclusion within the Khang Nai, or Inside, as the harem is known among the Siamese. This Inher Palace is forbidden ground to any man, European or native, except under very special circumstances, and then only when accompanied by a guard of trusted servants. It is safe to assert that no man has ever been personally acquainted, even in a remote degree, with the life or history of the in-

The king is the only representative of his sex who lives in this community of women-one amidst thousands! There is a force of female police for preserving order and punishing any unruly members. Flogging with a rattan is resorted to for certain offenses. and only those wives who are of roval birth enjoy immunity from such treatment

It is doubtful if any European could fully explain the position of the ladies of the harem. Even if the Siamese themselves know, they do not impart the information; in fact, among them it is contrary to all etiquette to make any allusion to the subject. One of the wives is known as the "first queen" and takes official precedence of all the others. Another is often referred to as the second, and sometimes a third is mentioned. These are all near relatives of the king, and, with the other wives of royal blood, take precedence of those who may be regarded as com-

There is no limit to the number of women that the king may take to wife, and although they may be dismissed at will, to have been admitted as a member of the Khang Nai, far from being in any way derogatory, is regarded as an honor. All their children are

The king's sisters do not marry, for fear of creating possible rivalry for the throne; neither do his daughters. who remain all their lives in the harem; but perchance some future king may offer them a position similar to that held by their mothers. So jealously are these ladies guarded from contact with the world, that in 1879 an elder sister of the first queen was allowed to drown in the presence of a number of spectators, not one of whom was permitted to put a hand on her,

even to save her from certain death. In common with most of the Siamese the king is a firm believer in omens and nothing of importance is done without reference to the Brahmin scothsavers and astrologers who are attached to the palace. As an example, it may be mentioned that on June 25, 1894, his majesty returned from Kohsi-chang, his seaside residence; but as the day was considered unpropitious by the astrologers, the vessel anchored near the mouth of the Meinam until the next day.

The country palace of the King of Siam is called Bang-pa-in. About forty miles north of Bangkok, on the Meinam, are two islands, separated by a narrow channel, not 150 feet wide. On the smaller of these is a Bhuddist temple and college, and on the other is the country residence of the King of Siam, which consists of three buildings-the official, the private and the Chinese palaces. Each is separated from the other by canals, with which the island is intersected, and which, in places, are enlarged into small artificial lakes. Sluice gates are provided between the canal and river, which serve to maintain the level of water in the former, and also for flushing; for, although some seventy-two miles from the sea, the tide rises and falls between three and fourfeet. Through these gates pass the boats containing the ladies of the household, who, to escape public notice, are landed a few feet from their

The Ko-pra, or land'ug stage, is a wooden gangway, hinged at both ends, and resting on a pontoon anchored in water deep enough to allow large launches to moor alongside. At the top of the bank is a band stand, close against a portico of classical design, which forms the entrance to the official palace, and looks down a narrow strip of walks and lawn, shaded by mango and tamarind trees. On the occasion of a grand fete, this was the site of an enormous device that was used for an electric light illumination.-Lady's Realm.

An Irishman was naturalized the other day in Philadelphia, and after the ordeal was over he expressed his satisfaction as follows: "It's not so aisy fur a mon of little eddication to answer all the Judge's questions, but Oi did it, begorra, and, thank God! Oi'm now a native-born American citi-

#### COURT CEREMONY.

CHANGES IN WASHINGTON SOCIETY INAUGURATED BY MRS. M'KINLEY.

At the White House Receptions Refreshment Served Only to those Receiving-Viands at the Afternoon Functions of Women of the Cabinet More Simple.

It has been said with truth that no reigning queen has more social power than has the wife of our President. Indeed, no woman of royal authority has as many social responsibilities. Just as it would be were she the Queen-Empress, an invitation from Mrs. Mc-Kinley takes precedence of all other offers of hospitality which might be extended by an American woman. No cause other than illness or mourning can be offered as an appropriate excuse for regretting an invitation despatched by her order. An invitation to the White House is always a sufficient excuse for breaking a previous engagement elsewhere.

Mrs. McKinley will not return official calls. She or her husband may enter private houses as may any other citizens if they wish, but such visits can never be regarded as returns for calls. Social ethics, however, demand that the President and his wife be entertained at dinner one night during each social season by all of the members of the Cabinet in turn, beginning with the Secretary of State, who is our premier, and ending with the Secretary of Agriculture. The President, however, will never enter a foreign embassy or legation, and the same rule will be observed by his wife. A foreign embassy or legation, technically speaking, is foreign soil, just as is a foreign war ship in our harbors.

A number of radical changes have been made in the social calendar. For several administrations Thursdays have been reserved as Executive days, so to speak, when alternating receptions and dinners were held between the beginning of the year and the first day of Lent. Most of these functions, will take place on Wednesdays in-

A great deal is said each year concerning the cost of official hospitality here at court. It has often been argued that Presidents cannot afford to put aside anything to speak of out of their annual salaries, because of the great personal expense attached to official entertainment. The cost of one season's hospitality at the White House is variously estimated by good authorities at from five to twelve thousand dollars a year. The official receptions at the White House cost very little. Viands are served to the receiving parties alone. The music is furnished gratis by the government Marine Band, and the flowers-taken from the White House conservatories-are also government property. The cost of one state dinner is estimated at from five hundred to one thousand dollars.

Of late years the refreshments offered at afternoon receptions of women of the Cabinet and of other higher circles have been of the simplest description-usually consisting of tea, cakes and bonbons. The cost for one afternoon is comparatively small-ten dollars being sufficient to cover it in most instances. Formerly very elaborate collations were spread at the homes of officials during these functions. In the first Cleveland administration, for instance, terrapin and champagne punch were features of the Whitney receptions, but such lavish display-luckily for the entertainersis now considered to be bad form. -New York Herald.

Friday a Lucky Day. An American girl should regard Friday as lucky, since nearly all the most notably successful events in American history took place on that day of the week. Columbus sailed on his voyage of discovery on Friday, and discovered America on that day, ten weeks later. St. Augustine, the oldest town in this country, was founded on Friday. The Mayflower arrived in Providence on Friday, and on Friday the Pilgrims signed the August compact-the forerunner of the Constitution. Other prominent events taking place on Friday were the birth of Washington, the seizure of Bunker Hill, the surrender of Saratoga, the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown, the motion made in Congress that the United States were free and independent. In the South the Judges are abolishing Friday as hangman's day and appointing executions to take place on other days of the week.

Our Language a Poser. An American girl who recently studier in Germany tells of a German girl who was studying English, and who used to write letters in English to her parents. One day the German girl handed a letter to her, saying: "Here is the letter which I have written to my mother. I want you to read it over and see if it is properly written." The letter was all right, excepting the closing phrase, which read as follows: "God pickle and keep you." An investigation proved that the young German woman in looking for a synonyme for "preserve" had come across

#### A Mitigating Circumstance.

You plead guilty?" said the court. there any reason why I should not ve you the full penalty?'

'las sah, yo' honah. Dat was the est turkey ebah I lifted, sah."oit Free Press.

It is of Siam's Sons English Education. Herlish educational advantages are and any estimated by the King of Siam. i.e has a son at Harrow, another on the training ship Britannia, and a third under the care of a private tutor. not far from London.

The Song I Love.-2.

GOSSIP OF STAGE FOLKS.

The Exemplary Life of Herbert Koloey the Ideal Stage Lover.

Of the various actors who have been admired by thousands of women as the ideal stage lover, Herbert Kelcey, who has one of the leading parts in "The Coat of Many Colors," has a foremost place in that famous coterie of the select and favored few.



HERBERT KELCEY.

Mr. Kelcey's career has been a pronounced success, and he has successfully climbed the ladder which is ever free and waiting for talent. Born in Kent, England, of quaker parents, he scarcely knew what a theater was untill he had nearly reached his majority. His boyhood was spent practically in a boat. Rowing from morring to night he strove to become the best oarsman in his county. Finally, however, when 19 years old, his father, who was one of the queen's judges, died. With the money left him he went to London, plunged into speculation and soon found himself penniless and compelled to support himself. One evening while visiting a family, one of the sons of which was connected with

a theatrical company, he learned that the London Gayety Company needed a man to play the second part. It was a case of necessity. His living had to be earned, so Mr. Kelcey applied for the position, was accepted and soon made his debut on the stage. Off the stage Mr. Kelcey leads a life

supposed by the general public to be far removed from the actor's world. He is quiet, does not smoke, is not a club man, does not drink-in fact, he

passes a very placid, prosaic existence. Books are a hobby with Mr. Kelcey and so are dogs and cats. He revels in books, and his substantial private library contains many treasures.

#### How Sothern Filled the House.

The average actor is looked upon as something of a "freak" in the small towns, and the village merchants and their clerks never fail to meet the "show folk" when they arrive at the

station. Many of these people are content with seeing the actors and actresses there, and do not patronize the theater. A few years ago, while Mr. Sothern and his company were traveling in Illinois, they were compelled to play for three nights in small towns. Mr. Sothern, of course, was met at the railway stations at two of the towns by the usual crowds. The manager of the third town, however, proved to beas clever as some of his brother managers in the cities. He had advertised Mr. Sothern and his company extensively for a week before the actor's arrival, and when the hour drew near the entire population was at the station waiting to see the actor. When the train pulled up only two men alighted, and these began to haul baggage out of one of the cars. Upon being questioned in regard to the absence of the "troupe" the villagers learned that the actors and actresses composing Mr. Sothern's company were transferred to carriages two miles from the town. It then dawned upon the townspeople that the manager had played a trick on them, and they hurried to the principal hotel, only to find the last member of Mr. Sothern's organization getting out of one of several carriages which were drawn up before the hotel entrance. The manager of the theater told a few of his friends how he had hired every carriage in town and made arrangements with the passenger agent of the railroad to stop the train within two miles of the town. There it was met by the carriages, and the company was driven to the hotel. The manager's scheme worked to perfection, for, although the prices were advanced and he theater was a large one, he had, for the first time in his life, been compelled to turn people away an hour before the rise of the curtain.

WAS OVERCOME.

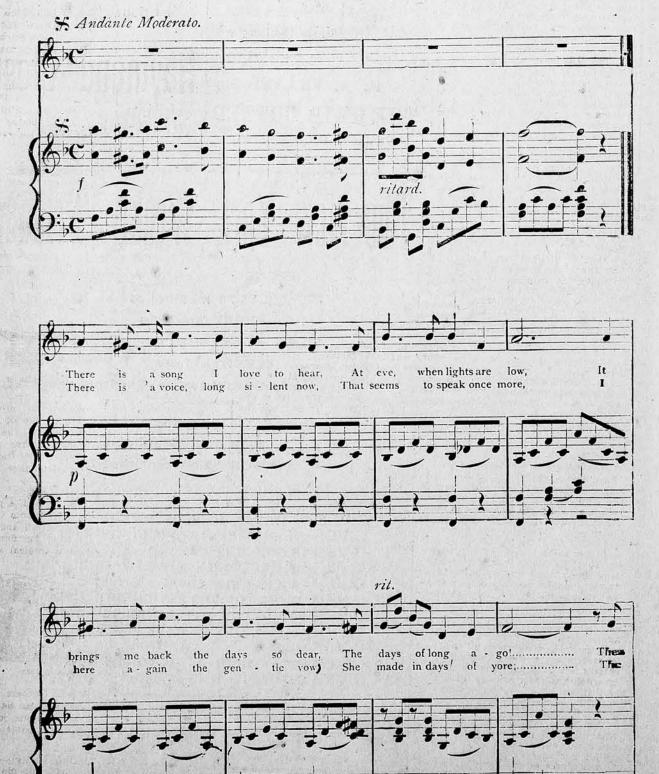


Prohibitionist (to Irish servant) Pat, now does your Master stand on the question of whiskey?

Well, sor, up to about twilve c k at noight he sthands pretty well, in his ginerally has to loie down,

# The Song I Love.

Written and Composed by LINDSAY LENNOX.



, right, 1897, by The Musical News Co.



## SURE SPAIN WILL YIELD

If Reparation Is Demanded for the Maine Disaster.

#### OPINION OF AN OFFICIAL

He Believes That an External Agency Caused the Loss of the Battleship and That Any Reparation We May Seek Will Be Promptly Granted.

Washington, Feb. 23.-During all the excitement consequent upon the announcement of the destruction of the Maine President McKinley has remained silent, calm and dignified. Except to his most intimate friends he has said nothing that could be construed as an official utterance, and his intimate friends have so far carefully avoided any expression of opinion that might in any way be quoted as a reflection of the Presidents views.

Any stories that have been published, stating that the President intended pursuing this or that course in regard to the Maine disaster are therefore pure fabrications. The whirlwind of excitement is now, however, dying out and now the quiet, level-headed officials of the Administration are beginning to express themselves as to the possible outcome of the terrible disaster. One of these, a high official of the Administration, and a close personal friend of President McKinley, when asked what he thought would be the result of the present investigation in Havana harbor said:

"There are certain things that lead to believe that the investigation will show that the destruction of the Maine was caused from the outside. If this is proven to be the case, I will venture upon this prediction, that twenty-four hours after the President receives the report of the board of investigation, our Government will demand immediate indemnity from Spain, and that Spain will accede to the demands of this Government within forty-eight hours. She will disavow any responsibility for the disaster and pay what we may demand, whether it be \$5,000,000 to be given to the families of the men killed in the explosion, and an additional \$5,000,000 for the construction of a new warship to take the place of the Maine. Spain and this country have been playing for points.

"Neither the United States Government nor that of Spain desires to promote hostilities unless they have right on their side and the sympathy of the other civilized nations of the world. For this reason the Administration has been careful and circumspect, and has done nothing to provoke war. Spain knows this, and has also endeavored to so shape her course that she may not lose the sympathy of other nations. She well knows that no civilized government of the world could or would countenance such a terrible crime against civilization as the blowing up of the Maine and the terrible destruction of life caused thereby, and that whether the Government of Spain is directly responsible or not, she will be held accountable should the board of investigation determine that the destruction of the Maine was not caused by an explosion from the inside of the ship. For this reason, as I said, Spain will accede to our demands, and accede quickly, whatever they may be. Therefore, I do not look for any hostilities between the two countries, growing out of the Maine disaster.

#### MINERS RESIST THE TROOPS.

#### Dyea Trail Blockaded to Prevent Soldiers

Passing Ahead of Prospectors. Victoria, B. C., Feb. 23.-Three steamers, the Danube, the Thistle and have returned from Skaguay, each with a few Dawsonites on board. There was very little gold on board.

Passengers from Skaguay bring news of a blockade of the Dyea trail by miners and packers, who resisted the demand of a detachment of United States troops to go over the trail before them. It was feared at Dyea that trouble would arise over the affair.

Another shooting affair occurred at Skaguay in front of a saloon. "Tom" Ryan shot and wounded a newcomer, whose name was not given. Rvan was promptly arrested and taken to Sitka

"Mike" Quinlan, formerly of Minneapols, has been appointed marshal at Skaguay.

A jail is being provided. Two men, whose names are not known, were detected robbing a cache at Sheep Camp. One of them turned and fired at his pursuers, who returned the fire, and one dropped to the ground. Thinking he had killed a man, the fugitive turned the revolver on himself and sent a bullet through his brain. The other man was taken back to Dyea, where he was paraded through the streets with a placard on him, setting forth that he was a thief. He was afterward

lodged in jail. Complaints are being made at Skaguay in relation to the number of men arriving there by each boat without means of subsistence. Among the returning Dawsonites was George Beldon, one of the last men to go up the Yukon last fall. He was one of a syndicate which purchased the little steamer from the Creek Mission for \$10,000 and made an attempt to reach Dawson, but got only to Circle City, where the boat stuck in the ice. Beldon made his way by sledge to Daw-

son, and thence to the coast. The delay in the receipt of mail at Dawson is, according to the passengers of the Danube, the cause of many coming to the coast. They say no mail has been received since fall, and that business is paralyzed in many in-

W. B. Hill, who arrived from Stewart River, says there is lots of gold there, but it is too expensive to get provisions up the river.

#### 500 Reindeer for Government.

New York, Feb. 23.-The Allen line steamship Manitoba is due here to-day with a consignment of over 500 reindeer for the United States Government, which are to be forwarded at once to the Klondike. An agent of the Government has been awaiting her here two or three days with instructions to purchase whatever food the reindeer will require on their journey to Alaska.

Cases in the Hull.

The Purchase of the Island Not Seriously Considered---Impossible to Act Unless the Consent of the Insurgents Is

Washington, Feb. 23.-Everything is quiet in Washington to-day in regard to the Maine. Now that the board of inquiry has started its work, the President and the Cabinet are convinced that the result will be known in a few days, and therefore the former is determined to withhold the Cuban correspondence until something definite is known in regard to the explosion.

So much has been said in the papers recently about the President's intention of ending the war by making an offer to Spain to purchase the island and assume a protectorate over it and its customs to pay the debt that it may be well to state here on the best authority that this question has not been seriously considered by the President or his Cabinet. It has been talked over and discussed, but not seriously considered for a number of weeks. The persons who are urging this plan are John J. McCook, of New York, and Mr. Smith, president of the Havana Gas Works.

It can be stated that while the President would willingly make the same offer to Spain that was made by Secretary Fish in 1869 to purchase the island for \$125,000,000, paying, perhaps, this time, only \$100,000,000, in making this offer he would have to guarantee to Spain the protection of the Spanish subjects and Spanish property on the island. This is the great difficulty in this solution. Spain knows full well that as soon as the Cubans came into possession of the island they would take revenge upon the Spaniards and the Spanish property, and that the United States would have to guarantee not only the purchase money but indemnity and damages for every attack on or destruction of Spanish subjects and their property. The President also finds that he can-

not intervene at this time, because if he did the Spaniards would withdraw all their forces and authority from the island, and it would devolve upon the United States to provide for and protect the thousands of starving Cubans. This would mean a gigantic responsibility that the United States is not prepared to assume. The call for relief which has been issued now has not met with ready response, and the Government would be obliged to stand for millions of dollars to care for the in-

habitants left on the island. The President is also embarrassed because so far the insurgents have refused to treat on this basis, and have declined to listen to any proposition. Until the insurgents consent this plan must be held in abeyance.

#### THE SPANISH NOT INTERFERING.

#### Indications That Forward Magazine for Fixed Ammunition Exploded.

Havana, Feb. 22.-The Maine Court of Inquiry opened at 10.30 yesterday morning and took a recess at 12.30. Lieutenant G. F. W. Holman, navigator and ordnance officer of the Maine, was examined at the morning session. The court met for the afternoon session at 1.30, and Lieutenant Commander Wainwright, executive officer of the Maine, was called to the witness stand. Wainwright has been in immedate charge of the wreck since the ex-

Lee says the Spanish officials are not cover from the wreck. interfering with the investigation into the causes of the disaster. The wrecking tug Right Arm arrived here yesterday from the Merritt & Chapman Der-' rick and Wrecking Company. No objection was made to the presence of the tug or her prospective work. She will probably make an early attempt to save the big guns, and, if possible, the more valuable parts of the Maine's machinery.

If a definite conclusion is reached by the court about the cause of the disaster, it will be almost impossible to know it in Havana. Any report from here about the conclusions of the Court

of Inquiry will be mere imagination. Four divers are at work, two in the fore part of the ship and two aft. The task is most laborious, and the men are, extremely careful, as they have had to work in complete darkness and several have had bad falls. Electric lights, worked from the Mangrove, are now available.

Nearly all the possible salvage has now been made from the cabin aft. The efforts to reach the ward and mess rooms are frustrated by some unknown obstacle. It is expected the divers will find bodies in those rooms.

Two cases of ten-inch ammunition were found yesterday forenoon, the one having exploded, the other full of powder. These were found forward.

An additional ten-inch casing charge was found later. It had exploded. A number of such casings are believed to. be inside the hull, but it is not known whether they exploded or not. The divers examined the outside of the hull at the place where the explo-. sion is said to have taken place. But

the divers are also careful about talking about their work. They have received strict orders to refuse to answer to any question about the cause of the disaster or the results of their investigation. Inside the hull of the ship the divers found many bodies. About this they talked freely saying that it was one of the most horrible spectacles that human sight could endure. A majority of the remains are understood to be those of firemen and many of them are said to have been mutilated in the struggle for life, which the divers say must have been frightful.

The divers found a copper cylinder used in conveying charges to the six-inch guns. The fact that it had exploded seems to show that there was an explosion in the magazine for fixed ammunition on the port side forward.

The military commander of Guanabacoa has ordered a suspension of public festivities as a mark of respect to the memory of the Maine's dead. The prohibition will continue for three days

# THE MAINE DISASTER CAPT. SIGSBEE'S STORY

Divers Find Three Ammunition | Was Writing Letters When the Explosion Occurred.

#### PLANS FOR FREEING CUBA SHOCK WAS TERRIFYING

After First Detonation He Realized That His Ship Was Gone---Ordered High Explosives to Be Flooded and Boats Lowered---Perfect Discipline Maintained.

Havana, Feb. 21.—Captain C. D. Sigsbee of the battleship Maine, in an interview, described the explosion in de-

"On the night of the explosion I had not retired. I was writing letters. I find it impossible to describe the sound or shock, but the impression remains of something awe-inspiring, terrifying. There is nothing in the former experience of anyone on board by which to measure the explosion.

"After the first great shock-I cannot myself recall how many sharper detonations I heard, not more than two or three—I knew my ship was gone. In such a structure as the Maine the effects of such an explosion are not for a moment in doubt.

"I made my way through the long passage in the dark, groping from side to side, to the hatchway and thence to the poop, being among the earliest to reach that spot. So soon as I recognized the officers I ordered the high explosives to be flooded, and then I directed that the available boats be lowered to rescue the wounded or drown-

"Discipline, in a perfect measure, prevailed. There was no more confusion than a call to general quarters would

produce, if as much. "I soon saw, by the light of the flames, that all my officers and crew left alive, and on board, surrounded me. I cannot form any idea of the time, but it seemed five minutes, from the time I reached the poop, until I left, the last man it was possible to reach having been saved. It must have been three-quarters of an hour or more however, from the amount of work

"I remember the officers and men worked together lowering the bests and that the gig took some time to lower. I did not notice the rain of debris described by Lieutenant Blandin and others who were on deck at the time of the first explosion. But I did observe the explosion of the fixed ammunition and I wonder more were not hurt there-

"Without going beyond the limits of what was proper in the harbor of a friendly power, I always maintain precautions against attack and the quarter watch was ordered to have ammunition for the smaller guns ready to hand, so that in the improbable event of an attack on the ship it would have been found ready. It was this ammunition which exploded as the heat reached it."

Captain Sigsbee and all the American officers here are very anxious for news from the United States as to Jublic opinion. The captain has done all he can to calm the excitement in the United States and to induce the public to wait for the result of the official investigation before forming a judgment as to the cause of the explosion.

It is commonly commented here that no dead fish were found in the harbor after the disaster, and this fact is looked upon as showing that the explo-sion occurred on board the Maine and not outside, as in the latter case many fish would have been killed by the concussion.

A careful search will be made for the Maine's log book, which will be of great importance to the Court of Inquiry, which begins its investigations to-day. It is yet too soon to form any opinion Havana, Feb. 23.-Consul-General as to what the divers will be able to re-

The wreck is the central figure of an otherwise bright picture, and it is sad as it is terrible. The huge mass of flame charred debris forward looks as if it had been thrown up from a subterranean storehouse of fused cement, steel, wood and iron. Further aft, one military mast protrudes at a slight angle from the perpendicular, while the poop, on which gathered the band, offers a resting place fo rthe workmen or divers.

the predominant white which marks our war vessels, not a vestige remains. In its place is the blackness of

desolating death. It is known that Lieutenant Jenkins, who is among the missing, was alive after the explosion. A colored atten-dant, now at Key West, met Jenkins running forward. He evidently thought, in the amazed confusion, that the Maine had been fired on, and he was rushing to the forecastle, where was located the six-inch gun, of which he was

### WHAT CAUSED THE EXPLOSION?

#### Rumors Floating About Havana as to the Origin of the Disaster.

Havana, Feb. 20, via Key West, Fla., Feb. 21.—The blowing up of the Maine may have been accidental and it may not have been. Since the night of the calamity a great many suspicious facts have been discovered. Three days before a boat containing three Spanish sailors was seen rowing from the Machina in the direction of the Maine. A Spanish sentinel of the Machina challenged them. They stopped, come to the shore, and, after being detained for about an hour, were released, as they were said to have given a satisfactory

A boat with two persons on board which was going from Havana to Regia on crosing the bay found itself intercepted by a wire which seemed to come from the dry dock in the direction of the Maine. The men in the boat had to lower it to be able to pass. These men, whose names are kept secret for the present, intend to present them-selves and report the facts to the commission which is expected here to investigate the Maine disaster.

A Spanish woman, recently arrived from Spain, on hearing of the report of the disaster, said to a number of persons whom she supposed were all Span-"So the Maine has been blown up. No wonder I was told yesterday not to go near the wharf, as the ship, was going to be blown up."

Another suspicious incident is that a few seconds after the accident had occurred several Spaniards from a dis-tent part of the city all said: "That is appointed.

the Maine, which has been blown up!" Santos Guzman, who is the representative of the Spanish Constitutional Union, was at his house in the Cerro entertaining some friends. As soon as he heard the explosion he said: "I guess that is a boat that has been blown up in the bay." On board the City of Washington large pieces of cement off the bottom of the Maine fell in great quantities. The question is asked: 'If the explosion took place from with

in, how is it the cement was hurled from the bottom up?" The press ever since the disaster are publishing long articles to prove it was an accident, and are repeating them with the same insistence which they were doing a few weeks ago when the Maine arrived, and they pretended that the peaceful relations of the two countries were then better than ever.

One thing is certain; in the Spanish mind the incident of the Maine has produced a most discrediting effect as to the carelessness of the American officers and navy. The Spaniards say now: "What kind of a navy is that, when, due to the carelessness of their own officers, their ship is blown up be-fore the very eyes of their enemies, whom they pretended to impress by the looks of their ships? Never has such a thing happened to the Spanish Everything points to the conclusion that the explosion came from the outside and not from the inside. The appearance of the wreck points to that fact. Havana harbor is filled with mines, some of them of very large size. It may have been one of these which did the work. That the accident was not due to causes inside the vessel is said to be the conviction of all the Maine's officers, although they are very reticent as to what they say. All one is able to get from them when questioning them as to the cause of the explosion is: do not know."

The disaster was the cause of great rejoicing among the Spanish, and many bottles of champagne were opened in Havana to celebrate the killing of the Americans. General Lee has received visits of condolence from the American colony and the Cubans, including many

#### hundred women.

Administration Annoyed at Senor Sobral's Alleged Slur Regarding Our Navy.

TO DEMAND RETRACTION.

Washington, Feb. 21.-The Navy Department has determined to call upon the State Department to demand a retraction from Naval Attache Sobral of the Spanish Legation, who is quoted as saying that the accident to the Maine was due to the lax discipline and watch that is charactetristic of all American ships.

While the department is not positive that the Spanish attache was correctly quoted, it feels that at any rate the matter should be followed up and a satisfactory reply given by Senor Sobral. The department officials are united in declaring that the discipline on all the ships of our navy is as perfect as it can be, and they are particularly zealous now in resenting any insinua-tions to the contrary. The alleged slur of the Spanish naval attache, therefore,

will not be permited to go unnoticed.

Secretary Long, in published interviews, has given the strongest possible commendation of the conduct of Com-mander Sigsbee and the other officers and crew of the Maine. He is entirely satisfied with their behavior, both previous and since the disaster to the Maine. Assistant Secretary Day will shortly call Senor Du Bosc's attention to the interview credited to Senor Sobral and ask whether or not it is authentic. Mr. Day will intimate that the Administration is in no mood to stand any adverse criticism of our navy at this time, particularly from an official Spanish source. It is thought that the naval attache will deny the interview and disclaim having expressed such sentiments. In this case the in cident will go no further.

#### Sobral is Out of the Legation.

Washington, Feb. 21.-An unexpected development yesterday so changes the aspect of the Sobral case that the State Department may not feel that it is necessary to proceed further. Senor Du Bosc, Charge d'Affaires of the Spanish Legation, made the following

statement: "On the 24th of January last Captain Sobral ceased to be a member of this legation, according to a royal decree which gazetted as his successor Lieutenant Ramon Carraza y Reguera."

#### No Spanish Divers to Re Used.

Havana, Feb. 21.-Neither Spanish nor Cuban divers will be employed on the wreck of the Maine. Yesterday the divers employed by Captain Sigsbee recovered the cipher code book, the log book of the Maine and many other official and private papers.

Lieutenant-Commander Barnett, of the survey boat Bache, said to a correspondent of the Associated Press:

"You want the facts. I can tell you there are ninety-five chances out of a hundred that the investigation show that the forward magazine of the Maine did not blow up first, if it exploded at all, and that it was not the cause of the terrible consequences that followed. The condition of the wreck when first studied and a later careful scrutiny make this an almost absolute certainty."

#### Why a Warship Was Sent to Cuba.

Washington, Feb. 21.-There is no longer any concealment on the part of the Administration as to the reason vessels should go to Havana and other which induced it to decide that naval Cuban ports. While no admissions are made that the "friendly visit" idea is explanation of their suspicious action. no longer to be considered as the reason that the Maine was sent to Havana the announcement that another warship would proceed there as soon as the excitement over last Tuesday's ter-rible affair had subsided shows that the protection of American interests and not mere etiquette has actuated the Administration. Captain Sigsbee's precautions in keeping ammunition ready for service in the rifles of the secondary battery are evidence that he did not regard his mission as one of loving brotherhood.

#### \$1,000,000 for Paris Fair.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Representative Hitt, of Illinois, has introduced a joint resolution appropriating one million dollars for the representation of the United States at the Paris Exposition in 1900. It requests Governors of States and Territories to invite the citizens to assist. Nine commissioners are to be

#### MISS WILLARD MOURNED.

Two Thousand Persons View Her Face After Simple Ceremonies.

New York, Feb. 21.—Services over the body of Miss Frances E. Willard were held in the Broadway Tabernacle at Broadway and Thirty-fourth street yesterday afternoon. On next Thursday the final funeral services for Miss Willard will take place in Evanston, Ill. Before the burial, however, the body

will lie in state in Willard Hall, at the W. C. T. U. Temple in Chicago—this following a similar honor in Churchville, N. Y., Miss Willard's birthplace.

The bad weather yesterday did not prevent a great crowd attending the services. Among the attendants were many persons from neighboring States, mostly women representing State branches of the W. C. T. U. The entire lower part of the church was reserved for the white ribboned women. This allotment crowded all those who did not display white ribbons into the galleries.

The great number of flowers received by those who had the funeral arrangements in charge provided much of the decorations for the church. Two wealthy women, great admirers of Miss Willard, furnished the necessary additional decoration, consisting largely of palms. Among those who sent flowers were Helen Gould, Susan B. Anthony and the Rev. Anna Shaw.

In pursuance of a cable message sent by Lady Henry Somerset, a bunch of white roses was placed over the heart of the beloved temperance reformer. Miss Willard's request that her funer-

al service be simple was carried out strictly. There was no augmentation of the customary Methodist Episcopal funeral service. Her favorite hymns were sung.

After the services an opportunity was given to view the face of the departed reformer. About 2,000 persons took advantage of the opportunity.

#### Miss Willard's Will.

Chicago, Feb. 21.—Frances E. Willard's modest estate of \$20,000 will go to the Woman's Temple enterprise. If the trustees decline to take the proffered fortune, a life interest in it will go, by the provisions of the original will, jointly to Miss Willard's private secretary and friend, Miss Anna A. Gordon, and to Mrs. Mary B. Willard, of Berlin, Germany, the widow of her only brother Oliver. At their deaths the estate will revert to the treasury of the National Woman's Christian Temmance Union for use as the Executive mmittee may see fit.

The estae includes \$3,000 presented to ss Willard on her fiftieth birthday by e women of the country.

Sain Jones for Governor.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 21 .- Sam Jones, the

#### evangelist, has announced himself as a candidate for Governor of Georgia. He declares he has been asked to run by thousands of voters. This makes four

aspirants for the office now in the field. J. Belden Hurlbutt.

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