



IS HER DAUGHTER MARRIED?

A SECRET WEDDING OF EUDORA GUILFORD, DAUGHTER OF DR. NANCY, AND CHARLES F. WELCH SAID TO HAVE TAKEN PLACE.

BRIDGEPORT, March 10.—It is almost an established fact that the marriage of Miss Eudora Guilford and Charles F. Welch has taken place secretly within the past few days, although no evidence can be found to verify the report which has been circulated to that effect, with the exception that Dr. Frank Russell, pastor of the South Congregational church, which is attended by both the young people, has refused to say anything about the matter.

Dr. Russell was asked last night if Mr. Welch and Miss Guilford had been married. Dr. Russell said: "I would rather not say anything about it."

"Would you deny that they were married?"

"No," said Dr. Russell.

"And you will not say that the marriage has taken place?"

"I would rather not say anything about it," responded the clergyman.

Several young men who are acquainted with Mr. Welch were asked if they had heard anything of the alleged marriage. Each of the young men had heard that the young couple had been married and one of them who resides in the same neighborhood as Mr. Welch, said that he had heard from authority that the ceremony was performed on Wednesday, March 1.

A reporter went to the home of Edgar G. Banks, 18 Liberty street, where Miss Guilford has resided since her release from the custody of the county sheriff, on bonds furnished by Alderman Wallace W. Welsh, father of the young woman's fiancé, shortly after her arrest charging her with complicity in the death of Emma Gill, for which crime her mother, Dr.

Nancy Guilford, is held for trial.

Miss Guilford was at home, but was not feeling well and had retired early. Mrs. Banks was in New York city.

The lady who answered the reporter's ring was asked if she had heard of the wedding. She said: "Yes, a rumor has been about to that effect, but I would not place any credit in the story, as I do not believe it."

Town Clerk Weber was seen aboard a trolley car by the reporter and asked if he had issued a license to the young people. He said he had not in the past three days and did not recollect previous to that time, but he did not think that there had been a license issued to the young people.

It is thought by many that the marriage was performed out of town. It is also thought by many that the case of the state against Miss Guilford is not a strong one and that she will not be convicted of any complicity in the Emma Gill case.

WILL THEY EXTEND?

Cranbury Residents Wonder What the Street Railway is Surveying For.

ARE IN READINESS.

Manager Acton Explains That They are Simply Getting a Map of Poles and Wires.

Civil Engineer A. B. Hill was engaged in work for the Street Railway line on the Newtown avenue section yesterday. His work was preparatory to the making of a blue-print map of location of poles, wires, etc. on that division.

A cursory look was taken of the hill north of the present terminus of the line, which it is proposed to cut down in order that the company may extend its tracks, possibly to a terminus at Cranbury.

It is understood that property owners along that portion where the proposed cut is to be made, object to the cutting down of the hill to grade, and that the town officials also object.

That is practically the situation at present, as explained to a reporter by General Manager Acton.

Residents of Cranbury, however incline to the belief that the company does not propose, even if the hill is cut down, extending its tracks any further than what is known as the Smith place.

Every move on the part of the Street Railway line in the premises attracts the notice of the Cranbury people, who insist on having the road built to that place.

They are very active in the matter and the outcome will be watched for with interest.

Eleventh Anniversary.

The eleventh anniversary of the Boston Store will be celebrated by a great sale commencing Saturday morning, March 11th, and will continue one week. A beautiful souvenir will be given away on Saturday to its patrons. The souvenirs will be steel engravings of the great sea fights at Manila and Santiago and one will be given to each customer who purchases one dollar's worth or more.

A Thousand Tongues

Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, of 1125 Howard St., Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other medicines and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure—"It soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the Universe." So will everyone who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50c and \$1.00 Trial bottles free at John A. Riggs' drug store, 11 Main street; every bottle guaranteed.

THE WHEEL CONTEST.

Old Well's Candidate Heads the List Today.

Old Well Hook & Ladder company's candidate leads to-day, in the contest for the Rambler wheel, with Pioneer's candidate a good second.

The vote at noon to-day was as follows:

J. J. Goodwin, Old Well	671
Irving H. Reed, Pioneer	667
J. H. Wagner, Hope Hose	642
Smith Northrop, Phoenix	227
Elbert W. Clark, Putnam Hose	158
D. Hart Weeks, Phoenix	84
Charles M. Smith, Pioneer	53
Samuel McGowan, Putnam Hose	19
Geo. S. Grumman, Phoenix	15
F. W. Darmer, Old Well	10
H. D. Cornell, Fire Police	2
L. M. Smith, Mayflower	2
D. W. Harford, Old Well	2
Chief F. M. Wheeler, E.N.F.D.	1
Patrick F. Slattery, Hope Hose	1
E. V. Baker, Old Well	1
Joseph Matheis' Pioneer	1
Harry Mitchell, Pioneer	1
Fred Weiselt	1
Leo Davis, Old Well	1
Howard L. Lowndes, Old Well	1
Geo. F. Foote, Old Well	1
John Yost, Putnam Hose	1

Bismarck's Iron Nerve

Was the result of his splendid health. Indomitable will and tremendous energy are not found where Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Bowels are out of order. If you want these qualities and the success they bring, use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They develop every power of brain and body. Only 25c at John A. Riggs' drug store, 11 Main street.

IN WETHERSFIELD.

Fred Max Brockhaus Turned Over to Warden Garven.

NAMED HIS WITNESSES

Will Hang Between Midnight and Sunrise the Morning of Sept. 6.

BRIDGEPORT, March 10.—Fred Max Brockhaus was yesterday taken to Wethersfield, and turned over to Warden Garven, into whose keeping he has been committed until the time for his execution, between midnight and sunrise the morning of Sept. 6 next. The prisoner was accompanied by Sheriff Hawley and Jailor Scofield. It had not been the original intention of the Sheriff to go, but as the new warden is now in charge, and as he has expressed a desire to meet the high sheriffs of the state, Sheriff Hawley took advantage of a dull day in court circles to meet him.

Brockhaus spent his last night in the Bridgeport jail in his usual manner. Early in the evening he smoked and played pinochle, his favorite game, with the attendants, and read the papers. He retired at the usual hour and slept soundly.

When he awoke yesterday morning he knew it was to bid adieu to the quarters at the local jail, where despite the gloom that surrounded his confinement, he managed to spend many pleasant moments. He ate a hearty breakfast and bade good-bye to the officials. Before going he confided to the sheriff the names of the three persons whom, under the law, he is allowed to have present at the execution. Who the parties are could not be learned. Shortly after 9, the prisoner and the official left the jail for the depot and boarded the 9:35 train for Hartford. Brockhaus had several small matters that he desired attended to, and these he entrusted to Sheriff Hawley. Quite a crowd gathered at the depot when it was noised about that the prisoner was going away.

Before noon Brockhaus had been received and registered at Wethersfield and the big prison doors closed for the last time upon him, even though he should be fortunate enough to secure a commutation of the extreme penalty to life imprisonment, which is not probable.

There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 1/2 as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

Benjamin Harris Offered 20 Cents on the Dollar, But his Creditors Will Get More.

Referee in Bankruptcy John W. Banks received yesterday \$4,200, the proceeds of the sale of the personal property of Benjamin Harris, the South Norwalk coal dealer who is a petitioner in the United States court to be adjudged a bankrupt. Mr. Harris has been having a hard time in getting his discharge from bankruptcy, as his creditors are putting him through a rather severe course of examinations, the last of the series of which will be held tomorrow.

This will make the third time he has been put on the stand for cross examination. Mr. Harris' liabilities are \$16,000, and he offered to settle at 20 cents on the dollar. The sale of the personal property by the trustees will materially increase that sum.

Passed the Senate.

In the Senate, yesterday the resolution was passed authorizing the city of Norwalk to issue bonds. This resolution does not authorize any increase of debt, but is designed to take up existing bonds, and re-issue at a lower rate of interest. The city now has outstanding bonds to the amount of \$200,000 due in 1926, and another issue of \$50,000 due in 1927, bearing four per cent, interest. They are call bonds and may be redeemed at any time. The city now wishes to call them in and re-issue at a rate of interest not exceeding 3 1/2 per cent.

Grace Church New Choir.

The new choral choir of Grace Church is now about complete. There will be thirty-six voices in all, (adults,) thirty-two in the chorus and a solo quartette. B. E. Hallett, of Waterbury, will preside at the organ, the whole under the direction of Harry Pepper.

Feasted on Turkey.

Putnam Hose company feasted on turkey at the expense of Old Well Hook and Ladder Co. in the Old Well rooms last night. The evening was passed by playing cards, smoking and listening to piano selections by Frank Madden.

Central Club.

Tuesday, 21st at 3 p. m., Rev. George Wood Barhydt will speak upon, "The Beginnings of English Literature." Monday, March 27th, at 3 p. m., Lenten musical, under the direction of Mrs. Q. S. St. John.

FRANCIS FOSTER RETIRES

After Conducting the Trucking Business for 25 Years He Sells Out to L. J. Reynolds.

Francis Foster, who for the past twenty-five years has been engaged in the trucking business, has retired from the same.

Yesterday afternoon he sold his business to L. J. Reynolds, Norwalk's progressive and leading truckman.

Mr. Foster turned over his full equipment to Mr. Reynolds last night. He will take a well earned vacation and visit friends and relatives in New York and other cities, and returning home will probably devote most of his time about his place on Wilton avenue.

Danbury Boy Burglars.

DANBURY, March 10.—Freddie Williams and Freddie Wheeler, fifteen year old boys, were arrested yesterday at the request of the Waterbury police. The boys left their homes in this city, Tuesday night, and stole a ride to Waterbury on a freight train. In Waterbury they broke into an Italian fruit store and rifled the cash drawer, returning to Danbury Wednesday night. They secured a small amount of money. The Williams boy confessed. They are charged with burglary.

Fine Schooner Yacht.

Dr. Henry C. Eno, of the Norwalk Yacht club, has building at South Boston, a center-board composite schooner yacht. The boat will be ninety-six feet over all, seventy feet on the water line, nineteen feet six inches beam and eight feet six inches draught. She will have four staterooms, and quarters for the sailing master and two stewards. Eight men will be in the forecastle.

N. A. S. E.

South Norwalk association, N. A. S. E., at a meeting, Wednesday night, voted to hold its third sociable in Arion hall, on Easter Monday evening, April 3. The committee in charge of the affair is composed of these members: Edgar F. Faucher, L. I. Jones, Harry Pickering, N. I. Meserve, N. H. Mosher, Jr., and William Burr.

BEST OF ALL

To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly beneficial manner, when the Springtime comes, use the true and perfect remedy, Syrup of Figs. Buy the genuine Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., only, and for sale by all druggists, at 50 cents per bottle.

1888. ELEVENTH ANNIVERSARY 1899. OF THE BOSTON STORE!

ANNIVERSARY SALE—Eleven years of Progressive Work will be celebrated by a Great Sale—ANNIVERSARY SALE.

A Beautiful SOUVENIR to our Patrons on Saturday.

The Boston Store has given a great many sales in the past eleven years, and no doubt the great majority of the people of Fairfield County have taken advantage of these sales and bought many things at a lower price than it cost to produce them. We will endeavor during this sale to surpass all other sales attempted by the store. This GREAT

ANNIVERSARY SALE

Will Begin SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 11th,

[The Eleventh Anniversary of the Great Blizzard, the day the Boston Store opened.]

and WILL GO ON TUESDAY MORNING, MARCH 12th. Every Department will cry out a Bargain. Come Saturday or Monday. The sale will be for all the week. You may miss some good things by delay.

THE SOUVENIRS.—Genuine Steel Engravings of the Battle of Manila and the Great Sea Fight at Santiago. We could think of no Souvenir that would be appreciated so well as the pictures of these two great Sea Fights that changed the map of the world. They are engraved on steel by the Butler, Thomas Co. steel engravers, of Philadelphia, for us. Every customer buying One Dollar's Worth or more will receive one. The price art stores ask for a Steel Engraving of this kind is \$1.50. We will sell what is left on Monday for 50 cents each.

New Spring Dress Goods.

Our line is a beautiful selection of all the latest French Novelties and American Suitings. To open the season we will sell some of them below market value.

- 10 pieces of fancy Suiting, all worth 39 cents and 49 cents, for this anniversary sale, 25c.
- 6 pieces black mohair that we are selling for 39 cents, for this week, 25c.
- 25 pieces new designs in dress goods, all the correct styles all worth 69 cents, this anniversary sale, 50c.
- 50 inch black chevrot, worth every day \$1.00 per yard, for this sale, 75c.
- 98 cent mixed tailor suiting, all new and choice, this sale, 75c.
- 125 50-inch satin Venetian, all the colors for this sale, 98c.
- 5 pieces black crepon that will bring \$1.50 to \$1.75 in any market, this sale \$1.25.
- \$3.50 black crepons, four styles, anniversary price, \$2.00

JACKETS.

Now is your opportunity to buy a beautiful jacket. You can buy one at one-third of the cost.

- \$18.75 jackets; all taffeta lined, stripe or plain, this sale, \$7.50.
- \$13.50 jackets, all lined, made of fine kersey, for this sale, \$5.00.
- \$5.00 jackets will go at \$2.50.

New Tailor-Made Suits.

This department has grown to be our greatest department. We carry the greatest line of suits in the county, and no two alike. You are invited to try them on and see how beautiful they fit. \$7.50 to \$40.00.

Hosiery.

We have always been acknowledged as the leaders in this great supply, and we feel that our efforts during the coming season will add many new customers to this great department. During the anniversary sale all Stockings will be sold at special prices. We mention only a few bargains.

Ladies' Black Maco Cotton, double soles and heels, Ladies' Balbriggan, Ladies' Fancy Ribbed, full length, extra elastic, every pair warranted fast and seamless, for this great sale, per pair, 12c.

Ladies' German and English Stockings, in black, tan and fancy, fine thread in drop stitch and plain, over 800 pair and now a single pair worth less than 40 cents, for this great sale per pair, 25c.

500 pairs of boys' and girls' ribbed Hose, in fine and heavy ribbed, very elastic, could be worn by ladies, many dealers call it a 25 cent Stocking, for this sale, 12c.

Underwear.

10,000 pieces of underwear for men, women and children, all recently purchased at a great saving, will be offered during this great sale at wonderfully low prices. Many of the lots offered are much lower than is possible for us to duplicate, and we would urge you now to supply in this line your spring and summer needs.

Ladies' ribbed vest and pants,—vests, high neck, long and short sleeves, low neck, V shaped, square neck, extra large and medium size, fancy trimmed necks and plain finish, worth as high as 25 cents, none in the lot worth less than 19 cents and the choice for the lot, each, 12c.

Ladies' spring weight ribbed vests and pants, just a shade thinner than the winter weight, vests made long and short sleeves, the most desirable garment on the market, sold everywhere for 50 cents, for this sale 25c.

100 dozen men's camels hair spring weight shirts and drawers, all sizes, regular price is 50 cents, this sale, 25c.

50 dozen boys' shirts and drawers, sizes, 25 to 34, regular price 45 cents, for this sale, each, 25c.

Domestic Goods.

You know the cotton markets has gone away up and still going up. Now is your chance.

YOUNG LADS' SAD END.

Shortly after the GAZETTE had gone to press Wednesday afternoon word was received over the telephone that another body had been found at Cedar Hammock, and that both bodies had been identified as those of Albin Moran, son of William Moran of the Barthol Hat company, and Melville Scudder, a brother of Miss Dais Scudder, a teacher in the Ridgefield district school.

Both were school boys of about 17 years of age, young Scudder being a member of the graduating class of the South Norwalk High school and among those who were to graduate in about three weeks.

Young Moran resided in South Main street with his parents and Scudder lived with his sister at 96 West street.

Both boys were at school on Tuesday, and owing to the severe snow storm but one session was held and both were happy over that fact as it would allow of their going down the harbor after ducks.

As soon as school was dismissed the boys procured their guns, and going down to Village's creek secured a little eight foot skiff and started off.

The parents and relatives were greatly alarmed at their absence, and early Wednesday morning Mr. Moran went down the harbor looking for them, but it remained for Charles Hendricks and his sons to accidentally make the discovery while clamming.

In an interview with Charles Hendricks, he gives the GAZETTE the best solution of the terrible accident and mystery.

Mr. Hendricks is of the opinion that the boys anchored their skiff at low tide and went ashore on the Hammock, and while there the tide came in leaving the boat some distance from shore.

Upon making the discovery he thinks young Moran attempted to swim to the skiff, but upon trying to get into it the boat was capsized. Scudder who was on shore with the guns, then tried to reach his companion, but having on a heavy coat and boots became exhausted and went down.

As soon as Moran saw that Scudder had drowned he abandoned the skiff and started for the Hammock, which he reached, but being exhausted and benumbed, lay down and was frozen to death.

This it is thought is the best solution of the mystery.

The bodies were brought ashore Wednesday afternoon and taken to Raymond's morgue from where they were removed to their respective homes.

Court Decisions.

Judge Frost of the Town Court has handed down the following decisions: A. W. Kellogg vs. H. Shepard. Judgment by default, the plaintiff to recover \$148.93. The costs were taxed at \$19.93. Mrs. Sarah E. Lockwood vs. Frederick Walters. Judgment for plaintiff to recover \$75. Costs \$10.55. Coleman Bates, et. ux. vs. Antone Nagg. Plaintiffs to recover \$35. The costs were fixed at the same amount. Henry Vulte vs. Fred W. Rogers. Judgment for the plaintiff in the sum of \$96.31. Costs, \$8.31.

Oysters High.

No oysters are being shipped by the Rowland Oyster Company. The buyers want the price brought down ten cents to where it was before the recent blizzard. Captain Rowland contends that the oysters cost him more than they did, and that he cannot sell them at the old price. While the disagreement continues about a score of East Norwalk men are out of employment.

Death of Robert Benedict.

Robert, son of Arthur N. Benedict died at his home on Belden Hill Wednesday afternoon, aged 18 years. The cause of his death was blood poisoning. He was a teacher in the Bald Hill school district, and greatly liked by all who knew him.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

The South Norwalk Council Increases Popular Chier's Salary.

All the councilmen were in their seats when Mayor Coburn called the South Norwalk city council to order at 8:20 o'clock last night.

Clerk Taylor called the roll, after which the new councilman George F. Waters, who succeeds William S. Smith, resigned, stood up and was sworn in by the clerk.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved, and bills amounting to \$1,199.24 ordered paid.

A license was granted Manager I. M. Hoyt for his theatre for the ensuing year at the old price of \$25.

A petition from W. B. Guyer requesting permission to build an addition to his printing office on Water street, was referred to the committee on fire department.

A communication from Chief Baker recommending an ordinance regulating the use of acetylene gas was referred to the same committee.

A resolution increasing the pay of Chief of Police William Vollmer to \$3 per day was passed unanimously, one councilman remarking, "you can't pay him too much."

Councilman Bean reported on the matter of renumbering Woodward avenue, but that and the Ely avenue matter was laid on the table.

The committee on fire department submitted an adverse report on the Desisa petition, which was accepted.

Councilman Smith resigned from the committee on finance, assessment and abatements and Councilman Waters was appointed to succeed him.

The question of the petition of the Norwalk Street Railway for a layout was informally discussed, but was finally laid over until the next meeting.

The council then adjourned until Monday evening, March 20.

New Books at Norwalk Library.

Cut this out and use it for reference. Books of especial interest, either for literary interest, or timeliness, marked with an X.

TRAVEL.

Hearn, Lafcadio. Exotics and Retrospectives. X

HISTORY.

Vibart, Col. Edward. Sepoy Mutiny. X
Earle, Alice Morse. Home Life in Colonial Days.
Fiske, Amos Kidder. Story of the Philippines. X

POETRY AND DRAMA.

Field, Eugene. Little Book of Western Verse. X
Second Book of Verse. X
Rostand, Edmund. Cyrano de Bergerac (Hall translation) X

ESSAYS.

Barr, Amelia E. Maids, Wives and Bachelors.
Shaylor, Joseph, compiler. Pleasures of Literature and the Solace of Books. X

SOCIOLOGY.

Harris, Mrs. Burton. Well-bred Girl in Society. X

SCIENCE.

Russell, I. C. Rivers of North America. X

FICTION.

Altshefer, Joseph A. Herald of the West.
Blundell, Mrs. Francis. Duenna of a Genius. X
Brady, Cyrus Townsend. For Love of Country.
Deland, Margaret. Old Chester Tales.
Lee, Albert. Key of the Holy House.
Merriman, H. S. Young Mistley.
Roberts, C. G. D. Sister to Evangeline.
Slosson, Annie Trumbull. Dumb Foxglove & Other Stories.
Sergeant, Adeline. Margaret Wynne.
Wilkins, Mary E. People of Our Neighborhood.

JUVENILE.

Coolidge, Susan. Mischiefs Thanksgiving.
Henty, G. A. At Aboukir and Acre. Both Sides the Border. Under Wellington's Command.
Kingsley, Charles. Water Babies. X
Macdonald, George. Light Princess & Other Fairy Tales. X
Mother Goose Book of Nursery Rhymes (for Little Children.)
Munroe, Kirk. Copper Princess. X
Richards, L. E. Margaret Montfort. X
Stevenson, R. L. Child's Garden of Verses. X
Trowbridge, J. T. Two Biddicut Boys. X

COURT HOUSE SOLD

Danbury's Old Building Brings \$100 at Auction.

The sale of the old Danbury court house took place at auction yesterday. There was a large crowd present, but the bidding was not very spirited, and the articles sold brought very low prices.

The furniture was first sold. The bar of justice brought \$2. Some of the carpets were sold for \$5. City Treasurer Booth bought the judge's desk, and Deputy Sheriff Crofut secured the sheriff's desk.

Mayor Kerr of Danbury purchased the court house building for \$100. He will remove it across the street and will fit it up as a factory for the making of patent medicines.

Heavy Traffic on the Consolidated.

The freight traffic on the New York, New Haven and Hartford road is the heaviest that it has been for some time. The cause is due mostly to the early spring trade, which has just begun. The railroad officials think this is a sign of prosperity throughout the country. All their empty cars, which were on sidings, have now been put into service.

First Congregational K. D. Notes.

At the meeting of the Central Union next Saturday at 3:30 p. m. in the chapel, Mr. Frank A. Ferris will speak upon "Hospital Work." All interested are cordially invited.

The ministering circle will meet at 3 p. m. next Saturday in the church study.

The Kind Word circle will meet at 3 p. m. next Saturday in the ladies' parlor. Officers will be elected for the ensuing year.

Meet Saturday Night.

A meeting of the committee on consolidation will be held at the Norwalk club rooms at 8 p. m. Saturday.

A Coffin Hardware Trust.

NEW HAVEN, March 9.—According to a statement made by the head of the Strong Manufacturing company of Winsted, the oldest and largest manufacturers of coffin trimmings and undertakers' dry goods in this country, steps are being taken by the leading coffin hardware manufacturers in the United States to organize an international trust. Over 60 concerns, representing fully 80 per cent of the output, will be absorbed, and the capital stock represented will be between \$7,000,000 and \$10,000,000. The trust will have its headquarters in New York and will control the major part of the coffin hardware business in the United States.

The Bliss Slander Case.

PITTSFIELD, Mass., March 9.—In the trial of the suit of Susan F. Hopkins of Great Barrington against Rev. Leon D. Bliss, pastor of the Congregational church of that town, for \$5,000 damages for alleged slander yesterday, W. D. B. Mead of Pittsfield stated that while a guest of Rev. Mr. Bliss on the evening of Sept. 17, 1897, from a window in the defendant's house he saw Mrs. Hopkins place an anonymous letter under the doormat. Mrs. Hopkins later showed that the first finger of her right hand was formed in such a manner that she could not write letters such as had been attributed to her by experts.

The Toulon Explosion.

TOULON, March 9.—It turns out that the 12 dynamite cartridges found behind the Toulon arsenal are of foreign manufacture. M. Lockroy, minister of marine, in an interview regarding the explosion of the naval powder magazine at La Goubiran, between La Seyne and Toulon, early Sunday morning, intimates that the experts now have very little doubt that it was due to foul play. He thinks it was possibly caused by some clockwork arrangement, provided with a detonator, hidden in a powder keg.

Fenders For Street Cars.

ALBANY, March 9.—The assembly committee on railroads has decided to report favorably Mr. Rogers' bill compelling all cable and electric street railway companies in the state to have all their cars equipped by Jan. 1, 1900, with fenders or guards which shall have been approved by the state board of railroad commissioners. The penalty for a violation is to be a fine of \$50 a day for each car which is not so equipped after the law goes into effect.

Snow Hurricanes.

The buran, or snow hurricane, of the Pamirs is a meteorological phenomenon of great interest. Even in midsummer the temperature during a snow buran frequently falls to 14 degrees Fahrenheit, while in the winter of 1892-93 it dropped to 45 degrees below zero at the end of January. The buran comes with startling suddenness, the atmosphere growing dark with whirling snowflakes where scarcely a minute before the sky was perfectly clear.

Splitting a Human Hair.

A Parisian has invented a machine by which, among other things, he can split a human hair lengthwise into 32 strips.

At Bedtime Take

a dose of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, and your eyes will soon close in peaceful, refreshing slumber. Another dose in the morning will make your breakfast taste good, and put you in fine fettle for the day's work ahead. Your Head will be clear, and your work will be easy to perform.

Hostetter's Stomach Bitters

THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

OF NEW YORK.

RICHARD A. McCURDY, President.

Statement for the Year Ending Dec. 31, '98.

According to the Standard of the Insurance Department of the State of New York.

INCOME.

Received for Premiums	\$42,318,748 51
From all other Sources	12,687,880 92
Total	\$55,006,629 43

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Policy-holders for Claims by Death	\$13,265,908 00
To Policy-holders for Endowments, Dividends, etc.	11,485,751 35
For all other Accounts	10,493,379 53
Total	\$35,245,038 88

ASSETS.

United States Bonds and other Securities	\$160,956,141 33
First Lien Loans on Bond and Mortgage	68,803,580 90
Loans on Bonds and other Securities	9,396,619 00
Real Estate, appraised by Insurance Superintendents at \$23,534,826.88: Book Value	20,604,649 61
Cash in Banks and Trust Companies	11,621,377 30
Accrued Interest, Net Deferred Premiums, etc.	6,434,957 10
Total	\$277,817,325 30

LIABILITIES.

Policy Reserves, etc., Contingent Guarantee Fund, Divisible Surplus	\$233,058,640 68
	42,238,684 68
	\$2,220,000 00
Total	\$277,517,325 30

Insurance and Annuities in Force \$971,711,997 79

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

Board of Trustees.

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BEEFCOURTRESUMES

Takes a Peep at the Chicago Stockyards.

THE PACKING PROCESS INSPECTED.

The Members Watch the Canning of Meats and Taste Samples Returned From Porto Rico—No Witnesses Yet Subpoenaed.

CHICAGO, March 10.—The court of inquiry to examine the beef question began its work yesterday in this city, where are located the plants of the packers who had the contracts for supplying the army with animal food. Two of the members, Brigadier General George W. Davis and Lieutenant Colonel George B. Davis, the judge advocate and recorder, reached here Wednesday night, and the other two members, Major General James F. Wade and Brigadier General George L. Gillespie, arrived yesterday morning. A short executive session was held at the army headquarters in the Pullman building, and it resulted in a decision to defer the taking of testimony until after an inspection had been made of the packing houses at the stockyards, where the refrigerated beef and canned beef are prepared.

The whole day was spent at the stockyards, and the going over of the 400 acres of floor space in one of the establishments was all the court was able to do.

The court began in the killing room. The next place visited was the cooling room. Here were found several halves of beef which had been condemned either because the beef was badly bruised or gave evidence that the animal had had tuberculosis. The condemned beef had been placed by itself, and while the court was present men came in to remove it to the rendering tanks preparatory to turning it into a fertilizer. The court examined these tanks carefully, possibly in view of the statements that the carcasses passed through them. There certainly was no evidence of such passage. From this room the court was taken to the one in which the meat is prepared for canning and saw the men at work cutting up the meat. The next room visited was the canning department. Here the cooked meat was brought in in huge caldrons, deposited on a platform and put into cans by machinery, the cans removed and sealed, only a pin hole being left open in the top. Next the cans were put under an iron tank, where they were subjected to heat of 250 degrees—the sterilizing process.

While the court was in this room a number of cans of roast beef which had an old appearance and which it was said had been in Porto Rico were opened. The meat inside was good, and the members of the court tasted it, but of course expressed no opinion. Subsequently the court was shown through the printing, packing and other branches and also witnessed the shipment of a lot of refrigerated beef. Barring the killing room, everything about the establishment was very clean.

Today the court will go to the stockyards again and spend the entire day there in going over three other packing houses. It is not likely that any testimony will be taken before Saturday morning. It is quite possible that the evidence taken will be confined to that of the foremen or workmen who have personal knowledge of the preparation of refrigerated beef and canned roast beef for consumption. No witnesses have yet been subpoenaed.

Retirement of General Miller.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—A change in command of the United States forces at Iloilo will occur on March 27, resulting from the retirement of General Marcus Miller, who on that date reaches the age limit of 64 years. General Miller is in the regular service, having been promoted only recently to the rank of brigadier general. If he were in the volunteer service, his retirement would not be compulsory, a precedent to the contrary having been established in the case of several other general officers who held commands during the Spanish war. General Miller's service in the Philippines has been recognized by the war department as of great value, his capture of Iloilo without loss to the American forces having marked an important epoch in the operations in the islands. He will be succeeded in the natural order of promotion by Colonel Thomas M. Anderson, who now ranks as a brigadier general of volunteers.

Millions of Fish Frozen.

NORFOLK, March 10.—The steam yacht Senator, owned by Charles H. Fuller, a wealthy resident of Providence, arrived here yesterday from the North Carolina sounds, having been frozen in during the big blizzard. Some little anxiety had been felt for the party, but Mr. Fuller stated that they had plenty of food and fuel aboard and did not suffer. He also reported that during the storm millions of fish froze to death and that as soon as the ice broke they floated to the surface, and when he left the natives were gathering them by the thousands.

Water Pipe For South Africa.

PITTSBURGH, March 10.—The National Tube Works company of this city has been awarded a contract by a British firm for 10 miles of 28 inch water pipe to be used in the Rand gold mines in Johannesburg, South Africa. The order will aggregate in value about \$1,000,000, and the pipe is to be shipped to Johannesburg within four months. On completion of this order the tube company is assured of an additional contract for eight miles more of the same kind of pipe.

No Leniency For Kidnapers.

MIDDLETOWN, Conn., March 10.—President Raymond of Wesleyan university has announced that there will be no change in the decision of the faculty punishing five members of the sophomore class for kidnaping a freshman on the night preceding Washington's birthday. The students are deprived of their scholarships and departed from membership on any of the athletic teams.

Hurricane on Australian Coast.

BRISBANE, Queensland, March 10.—The northeast coast is being swept by a severe hurricane. Already there has been much loss of life and property, and serious fears are entertained regarding the safety of the pearl shelling fleet, which employs 1,000 men.

POSTMASTER IN TROUBLE.

A Wilkesbarre Official Arrested For Opening Letters.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 10.—Edward F. Bogert, postmaster of this city, has been arrested, charged with tampering with the United States mails.

H. B. Gregory, one of the postoffice inspectors from Washington who helped make the arrest, stated to a reporter that he came here from Washington on Monday morning and had been at work on the case ever since. Frequent complaints had been made to the postal authorities at Washington as to irregularities in the Wilkesbarre office, and Mr. Gregory said a thorough investigation had shown that the allegations made were true.

Mr. Gregory would not divulge the names of those who made the complaints, but did not hesitate to say that the evidence was ample to cause the arrest and establish the proof of the charges made.

Deputy Gorman is in charge of the postoffice for the present.

Postmaster Bogert would not be interviewed, but in his paper, The Evening Leader, last night appeared the following:

"There are always two sides to a question, and when there are three or four fellows, and one or two in particular, clamoring for a political office and hungry for the emoluments attached thereto there are sure to be schemes worked and plans formed to entrap the incumbent, cause his removal and punish him otherwise, even if nothing further than the annoyance and chagrin that accomplishment of their devilish underhand work imposes. When the diabolical schemers are fully shown up and their nefarious trickery exposed, there is a question as to which side will furnish the raciest reading."

The inference to be drawn from the above is that Bogert imagined himself the victim of a conspiracy to oust him from the postmastership, and in order to discover the conspirators he opened letters addressed to Republican politicians.

NEW ARMY OFFICERS.

Shafter and Otis Will Be Made Major Generals.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The president has practically made up the list of the general officers to be retained in the volunteer branch of the service. The basis of all the calculation is an army of 65,000 men, for the president has so far insisted that he will not call for volunteers in addition to that number unless an emergency should arise. The reorganization act limits the number of major generals to be appointed to one for each 12,000 men and the brigadier generals to one for every 4,000 men in actual service. On this basis, as there are already three major generals in the army in the persons of General Miles, General Brooke and General Merritt, there is room for but two more.

To fill these two places the president has selected General Shafter and General Otis, now in command at Manila. It is safe to say that the list of brigadiers to be appointed will include the following names: General Wood, at Santiago; General Wilson, at Matanzag; General Lee, in the province of Havana; General Davis, now on duty with the court of inquiry into the beef supplies; General Ludlow, in command of Havana city; General Lawton, near Manila; General MacArthur, at Manila; General Chaffee and General Frank.

A Leather Trust.

BOSTON, March 10.—The Herald this morning says that on the best of authority the following firms in the east have agreed to enter the proposed Upper Leather trust: White Bros. & Co. of Boston, Bernard & Friedman of Boston and Little Falls, N. Y.; J. S. Barnett & Bros. of Boston, the Matthew Robson Leather company of Salem, William Kidd & Co. of Boston and Stoneham, E. C. Cottle & Sons of Woburn and Watauga Tanning company of Boston and Tennessee. These firms are all heavy concerns in the business, and the fact that they have signed the combination agreement will carry weight with many others. The calfskin people are standing together almost as a unit in the trust movement. The capitalization is not yet settled. The figure talked of is \$50,000,000, half of this to be preferred and the rest common stock.

Talmage Resigns.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Rev. Dr. T. DeWitt Talmage, who for nearly four years has been the pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city, has sent a letter to the session of that church tendering his resignation. The reason assigned is the increasing demands made upon him by religious journalism and the continuous calls for more general work.

China Would Promote Commerce.

LONDON, March 10.—The Vienna correspondent of The Times says: "China is about to send a commercial mission to the European and American trade centers with a view to the promotion of Chinese commerce. If the mission proves successful, the government proposes to found Chinese trading firms in the great commercial towns of the world."

Bryan in the Lone Star State.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 10.—The public reception given W. J. Bryan in the governor's room at the capitol yesterday was a great success, throngs of ladies and gentlemen visiting the distinguished guest. The reception lasted from 9 o'clock until shortly before noon, when Mr. Bryan repaired to the state university and addressed the students.

Seizure of San Mun Bay Denied.

PEKING, March 10.—The report that the Italians have seized San Mun, on San Mun bay, province of Chehkiang, which the Italian minister, Signor Martino, had demanded as a naval base and coaling station, is officially declared unfounded.

A Double Execution.

MONTREAL, March 10.—At the request of the Catholic priest it has been decided to hang Sam Parslow and Cordella Viau at St. Scholastique today back to back and with a heavy black curtain between them.

Carlists Forbidden to Vote.

LONDON, March 10.—The Madrid correspondent of The Daily Chronicle says that Don Carlos, the pretender, has forbidden the Carlists to take part in the forthcoming elections to the new cortes.

ANOTHER WAR CLOUD

A Grave Crisis in the Oriental Situation.

FOREIGN WARSHIPS MENACE CHINA.

For Some Time the Powers Have Been Concentrating Their Navies in Chinese Waters—England and Russia May Fight.

LONDON, March 10.—A grave crisis has been reached in the orient, and dread of a war between England and Russia is more widespread than ever before since their strained relations began.

England has now in Asiatic waters a fleet more than a match for that of any other nation. Experts declare that it is strong enough to cope with the combined Asiatic fleets of any two other nations.

Nevertheless, it is to be greatly strengthened at once, and orders have been sent to half a dozen warships and cruisers to start for China without delay.

It is announced that the British channel squadron will start shortly on a cruise in the Mediterranean, proceeding thence farther eastward. This is in line with the squadron's usual spring programme.

It has leaked out from the foreign office that all of the powers have been quietly concentrating their naval forces in Chinese waters.

England has three battleships, 12 cruisers, four torpedo boat destroyers and 14 sloops and gunboats.

Russia has two battleships, six cruisers and six gunboats.

France has nine cruisers in Asiatic waters, Germany eight and Italy four.

Lord Salisbury has notified the tsung-li-yamen, through Sir Claude M. MacDonald, the British minister, that any attempt to repudiate the railroad contract or other concessions to England will meet with instant reprisal.

In the house of commons Mr. Brodric, parliamentary foreign secretary, said, in reply to a question, that the government sympathized with Italy in the latter's desire to possess a coaling station in Chinese waters.

The Japanese cruiser Kasati, which has just been built at Newcastle, has received orders to start for the far east.

Yesterday's newspapers express fear that an Anglo-Russian conflict is impending, calling attention to the fact that Lord Salisbury has never before threatened to punish China if she succumbs to Russian pressure.

Hurrying More Ships.

GIBRALTAR, March 10.—The British cruisers Aurora and Orlando are coaling here under orders to proceed to China.

It is understood that all available war vessels will be hurried back to the far east.

Germany Backs Italy.

BERLIN, March 10.—The Cologne Gazette encourages Italy's action in China, saying that the latter will give way as usual when force is displayed, the more so as China, supposing that she should offer resistance, could not count upon the support of the great powers.

Russian Hint at War.

PARIS, March 10.—The Gaulois publishes a report of an interview with Count Muravieff, Russian minister of foreign affairs, in which he says that the coming peace conference would be a fortunate happening if the powers should resolve not to go to war. He himself, he says, would prefer an international tribunal, "but time must be allowed for certain questions now pending to lose their acuteness."

AMERICA'S ATTITUDE.

Italy Is Assured That We Should Observe Neutrality.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The Italian government, through its representative in Washington, lately laid before the authorities here its purpose to ask of China a port on San Mun bay and has invited an expression from this government as to its attitude. In response it is understood that Secretary Hay, as well as the president, made it clear that the United States would pursue the same course as toward the Russian, British and German occupation of Chinese ports—namely, disinterested neutrality. The exchanges have been verbal and rather formal, more in the nature of diplomatic soundings than direct propositions. They have given occasion for erroneous publications to the effect that Italy had asked the United States to support her demands on China and that this government in a pointed note from Secretary Hay had refused. It is said in an eminent and authoritative quarter that Italy made no such request for American support and that there was no declination from this government.

Birthday of Emperor William I.

BERLIN, March 10.—The emperor and empress of Germany and their family commemorated the death of his majesty's grandfather, Emperor William I, yesterday by visiting the mausoleum in the morning and depositing wreaths upon it. Last evening their majesties attended a memorial service in the Emperor William church.

Pannecote to Represent England.

LONDON, March 10.—The Daily Graphic says this morning it understands that Sir Julian Pannecofte, British ambassador at Washington, has been appointed to represent Great Britain at the forthcoming conference for the limitation of armaments.

Peace Conference at The Hague.

THE HAGUE, March 10.—The peace conference, otherwise the congress of representatives of the powers called by the czar to discuss the possibility of taking steps toward a general disarmament, will meet here on May 18.

Death at a Service.

NEWBURGH, N. Y., March 10.—Last night during the service in the People's tabernacle Miss Margaret Overocker dropped dead of heart disease, suddenly terminating the worship.

State Land Appraiser.

ALBANY, March 10.—The state canal board has appointed John G. Dubert as a state land appraiser at a salary of \$1,500 in place of Theodore Sheldon of Buffalo.

AVENUE GRABBERS WIN.

Opposition to Four Tracks on a New York Thoroughfare Defeated.

ALBANY, March 10.—In spite of the passage of the Amsterdam avenue bill by the assembly yesterday, and notwithstanding the impression created by the visit of what is believed by old habits of the capitol to be the largest delegation of citizens that ever sought to influence the legislature in behalf of a pending measure, the opponents of the bill are thought to be nearer success than ever before.

The senate received the bill from the railroad committee yesterday morning with an amendment which its friends opposed as calculated to negative the real purpose of the legislation. After a hard fight, led by Senator Ford for the bill and by Senator Grady for the amendment, the senate by a vote of 33 to 17 refused to strike out the amendment. This sends the bill to general orders in its changed form. Another opportunity to get rid of the amendment will be afforded when the bill comes up in the committee of the whole, but the decisive vote for the amendment leaves little room for hope of success. The judgment of those who know the temper of the senate and the forces that influence its action best is that the amendment will be insisted upon.

After the senate had thus taken its stand, the assembly, to the surprise of everybody except those on the inside, took up the Fallows bill, which is identical with the original Ford bill, and passed it by unanimous consent. The assembly bill will now go to the senate, which will then have before it both the original and the amended bill.

MRS. CODY GUILTY.

The Jury After Eight Hours Sustains the Charge of Blackmail.

ALBANY, March 10.—After being out yesterday eight hours the jury brought in a verdict of guilty at 8:15 last night in the case of Margaret E. Cody, who has been on trial here since last Thursday, charged with blackmailing George and Helen Gould. A recommendation of mercy was made. It is likely that Mrs. Cody will receive a light penalty on account of her age.

The jury balloted seven times before agreeing, the first ballot standing: Guilty, 8; not guilty, 3; blank, 1.

One of Miss Gould's attorneys said that she was well pleased with the way the trial had been conducted by District Attorney Dyer and was satisfied that justice had been done.

A telegram announcing the victory of the prosecution was sent to George Gould immediately after the verdict was announced.

Mrs. Cody, who had remained in her chair in the courtroom most of the afternoon after the court adjourned, waiting to hear her fate, gasped and all but fainted when she heard the verdict of guilty. It was a quarter of an hour before she had recovered sufficiently to allow herself to be conducted back to the jail.

Utah Falls to Elect Senator.

SALT LAKE CITY, March 10.—In three ballots taken last night for senator McCune lost five votes, making his total 24, and George Q. Cannon gained six, bringing his vote up to 20. McCune's supporters offered to withdraw his name and to go into caucus for the purpose of securing the election of a Democrat. The matter was under consideration for some time, and finally the legislature adjourned sine die without making a choice.

Colombia Pays the Claim.

COLON, March 10.—Advices have been received here from Bogota to the effect that the government has paid \$1,500,000 in currency in full settlement of all the claims growing out of the Cerutti case, which at one time threatened to involve Colombia in hostilities with Italy. Signor Cerutti was an Italian subject, whose claims against Colombia were supported by his government.

Unsoldierly Conduct.

RALEIGH, March 10.—The route of the Tenth immunes through this state was marked by drunken rioting and shooting at people, houses and cattle along the railroad. During the few minutes that the train stopped here there were drinking and disorder among the men. Several shots were fired at the ground or into the air. All along the route their conduct was the same.

Fell 120 Feet, Yet Lives.

ST. LOUIS, March 10.—Michael Glynn, 35 years old, dropped 120 feet inside a smokestack yesterday and lives. He was engaged in making some repairs to the Laclade hotel chimney.

Coal Miners Suspended.

HAZLETON, Pa., March 10.—The 500 employees of the Lehigh Valley Coal company at Jeaneville have been temporarily suspended. It is feared that the suspension will be permanent.

New Hampshire's New Secretary.

CONCORD, N. H., March 10.—The New Hampshire legislature has elected Edward N. Pearson of Concord secretary of state, to succeed Ezra S. Stearns, resigned.

New York Markets.

FLOUR—State and western inactive and about steady; winter patents, \$3.75 @4; winter straights, \$3.55 @3.65; Minnesota patents, \$3.85 @4.15; winter extras, \$2.50 @2.55.

WHEAT—No. 2 red opened steady and advanced slowly on war rumors and lower consols; March, 81% @81% c; May, 74 15-16 @75% c.

RYE—Dull; state, 62c; No. 2 western, 66 1/2 @67c; f. o. b. afloat.

CORN—No. 2 dull, but steady on firm cables; July, 40% c.

OATS—No. 2 ruled quiet; track, white, state, 36 @40c; track, white, western, 36 @40c.

PORK—Steady; mess, \$9 @9.75; family, \$10.50 @11.

LARD—Steady; prime western steam, \$5.60, nominal.

BUTTER—Steady; state dairy, 14 @18% c; state creamery, 15 @20c.

CHEESE—Firm; large, white, 11 1/2 c; small, white, 12 1/2 c.

EGGS—Weak and lower; state and Pennsylvania, 19c; western, 19c.

TURPENTINE—Steady at 46 1/2 @47c.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans, 32 @37c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, 4 1/2 @7c; Java, 6 @5 1/2 c.

TALLOW—Steady; city, 4% c; country, 4 1/2 @4% c.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 40 @50c; good to choice, 55 @65c.

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GOOD EVENING.

The consolidation committee hold their first love feast to-morrow night. It is to be hoped there will be no scrapping.

The working men throughout the country who are having their wages increased will hardly become contributors to the Bryan fund.

A great many unsuspecting gentlemen have been surprised by the mention of their names in connection with the job of postmaster at South Norwalk.

Cranbury wants the trolley, but they want it at once. Appearances indicate that our country neighbors will do the walk act for some time to come.

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly, run down people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c. Sold by John A. Riggs, druggist, 11 Main street.

THE OTHER FELLOWS.

General Prosperity seems once more to command the New England situation.—Boston Journal.

The egg panic shows signs of subsiding, and the prospect is that the Fast day nogg will be within the reach of all.—New Haven News.

There is a crying demand for a war investigation that will investigate, instead of devoting its time to trying to cast doubts upon what is already known.—Waterbury Democrat.

The workmen who are getting their wages raised in various parts of the country do not join in the Democratic campaign song, "The Blue Man's Burden."—New York Tribune.

A Shelton man would restrict the running of trolley cars on Sunday simply to carry people to church. Such a narrow-minded man should be compelled to walk, no matter how great the distance.—Bridgeport Telegram.

"Consolidation" seems doomed to failure in the Norwalks. South Norwalk doesn't want to marry Norwalk, and Norwalk is so smitten with the irresistible charms of the sister city that the latter will be abducted if she don't watch out.—New Haven News.

Those dozen or more men who have been arrested for stealing graphophones, in Bridgeport, are not making talking machines of themselves although the police will try and put them on record.—Ansonia Sentinel.

Considering that 90,000 employees in New England are to get higher wages, the "gospel of discontent," often so handy a tool in the service of professional politicians, is not likely to cut much ice very soon.—Boston Globe.

It must surprise the Hon. Jerry Simpson to find that the country is perfectly cheerful and that nothing in nature's aspect indicates that a great man has been transferred from congress to a stock farm in Medicine Lodge.—New York Sun.

Everybody likes to know of good fortune coming to others and in this world of work and struggle for existence it is pleasant to know that matters are mending; and that there is such a state of business as to make it possible for employers to increase the wages of their employees.—Hartford Post.

An exchange announces that recently there was "a rain of icy eggs from the sky." The public knew that eggs were high, but that is the first time it has had information to the effect that the deceitful hens are conducting a cold storage house up above the roofs.—Albany Press Knickerbocker.

Pay your money and take your choice. It is the golden age, and if by and by it is found that glitter is not a sure indication of gold suitable explanations can be made. But until that time comes enjoy yourself and get your money's worth, or as near it as you can.—New Haven Courier.

C. E. Shores, who has been placed in the county jail for wife-beating, boasts that he has lived in America 17 years and has never been naturalized, because he does not like the laws of the country. Come to think of it, the laws are not just right. There should be a whipping post in every ward for wife-beaters.—Scranton Tribune.

We are threatened with an influx of Dutch farmers who are thinking of quitting Holland and forming a colony in Maryland. They ought to be welcomed with open arms for it is these patient and industrious folk who add to the wealth of the country in richness and intelligence. We can't have too many new comers who bring skill, intelligence and industry in their outfit.—New London Telegraph.

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Experiment with Sulphur.
A Portland (Me.) man who put sulphur in his shoes to prevent grippe found that he exhales sulphurous fumes, and that the silver change in his pocket turned quite black. He says that the silver watch of the mate of a vessel which brought a cargo of sulphur to Portland last week was thoroughly blackened from the same cause.

Mount Cannon on Sleds.
The Canadian government, in order to have the movements of its artillery made quick and effective, has mounted many cannon on sleds so that they may be swiftly drawn over the snowy wastes of the country.

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"Last winter I had a bad cold and severe cough. I was lame in every joint and muscle. I was sick and felt as though I was coming down with typhoid fever. It was no doubt a bad case of grippe. Mr. E. P. Budge gave me a bottle of Brazilian Balm, saying he was sure it would help me. The relief was almost instantaneous. It quickly stopped my cough and took the grippe with all the pains and soreness out of my system. I gave the balance of the 50-cent bottle to Mrs. Bishop Wiley for her daughter. It proved so beneficial she says she never intends to be without it."—Edwin Fitz Jones, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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A Remarkable Cure.
Mr. Alexander Moore, a reliable business man, of 1230 S. 13th St., Philadelphia, Pa., says: "I contracted a violent cold which settled all over me. The pain in my chest and side was excruciating. The doctor gave me medicine and bled my side, but I only grew worse. Then you gave me a bottle of Brazilian Balm. I had little or no faith in it, but decided to try it. I took 3 or 4 good doses before bed time, and rubbed it well over my blistered side. That night I slept like a top—my first good rest for over a week—and awoke in the morning cured. Brazilian Balm is simply invaluable."

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Chas. Broome, 850 South Second St., Philadelphia, says: "It took only two months for Brazilian Balm to cure me of dyspepsia with which I suffered over 30 years. Now I have no pain or stomach cough, and can eat anything. Brazilian Balm beats the world."
Had Catarrh 36 Years.
Josiah Bacon, conductor on the P. W. & B. R. R., says: "I had suffered with catarrh for 36 years and regarded my case as hopeless. One day I saw the testimonial of Geo. H. Hearn in a Brazilian Balm circular. Hearn was the engineer on my train and I knew his case was desperate. I talked with Hearn and his cure gave me hope. I began the use of the Balm at once. There was not much change for the first two months but then I began to improve and in six months, to my inexpressible satisfaction, I was entirely cured."

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 Makes the food more delicious and wholesome
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LOCAL AND OTHER NEWS

Cockenoe Tribe of Red Men will meet to-night.
 Eugene Benedict has secured a situation as compositor on the Stamford Telegram.
 Kabasa Encampment, I. O. O. F., held a regular meeting last evening.

—WANTED—A boy at GAZETTE office. Apply at once.
 New uniforms have been ordered for the South Norwalk Fife & Drum band, the band having been measured for the same on Tuesday evening.

Fred Kramer, of Torrington, is spending a few days in South Norwalk, and will probably move to that city.
 Mrs. Martha Curtis, of Park street, is ill of the grip.

—See our chickens, 6 Water street.
 A daughter was born Wednesday, to Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Walsh, of Winnipauk.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will hold its weekly meeting with Mrs. William Lawrence, of Quaintard avenue, this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Golden Rule Circle of King's Daughters will meet at Mrs. Hughes' No. 7 West avenue, Norwalk, this afternoon, at 3:30 o'clock.

A surprise party was tendered to Frederick Scofield Wednesday night at his home in Meadow street. The guests enjoyed the occasion with games, music, dancing and refreshments.

—Rib Roast, 12c, 6 Water street.
 A small blaze destroyed some furniture and badly smoked the house of Joseph Mackey on Hoyt street, Wednesday. Mr. Mackey, after some hard work, managed to extinguish it before much damage had been done.

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hoyt, of Seaside place, East Norwalk.

Mrs. G. A. Gregory and Mrs. J. G. Gregory, of Main street, spent Wednesday in Bridgeport.

Rev. A. S. Kavanagh conducted the prayer meeting at the First Methodist church, last night.

Eureka Rebekah Lodge, I. O. O. F., will hold a rehearsal to-night.

The Y. P. S. C. E., of the South Norwalk Congregational church, held a monthly business meeting in the church, last night.

—Fresh Pork 10c, 6 Water street.

A series of afternoon meetings at the Norwalk M. E. church, will begin Saturday, at 3 p. m.

William Hawkins, of West Main street, has returned from Long Island.

Miss Minnie Wixon, of West Main street, has been visiting in Westport.

Court Narruk, F. of A. held a regular meeting last night.

—Leg of Lamb, 12c, 6 Water street.
 E. J. Thomas has been appointed to confer with the general committee on the reception of Company L, as a representative of Pioneer Hook and Ladder company. John Greenwood will serve Phoenix Engine company in the same capacity.

REGARDLESS OF AGE.

The kidneys are responsible for more sickness, suffering, and deaths than any other organs of the body.
 A majority of the ills afflicting people to-day is traceable to kidney trouble. It pervades all classes of society, in all climates, regardless of age, sex or condition.
 The symptoms of kidney trouble are unmistakable, such as rheumatism, neuralgia, sleeplessness, pain or dull ache in the back, a desire to urinate often day or night, profuse or scanty supply.
 Uric acid, or brick-dust deposit in urine are signs of clogged kidneys, causing poisoned and germ-filled blood. Sometimes the heart acts badly, and tube casts (wasting of the kidneys) are found in the urine, which if neglected will result in Bright's Disease, the most dangerous form of kidney trouble.
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Theodore Olsen is ill with the grip.

A handsome cabinet has been placed in Our Brothers' Lodge room. It will hold each member's picture. It is the wish of the lodge that each member sees that his picture is put in.

Bob Cotter, manager of Ambler's bicycle store here, is confined to his home in Norwalk by sickness. The business is in charge of R. Smith.—Stamford Advocate.

The annual conclave of Connecticut Grand Commandery, Knights Templars, will be held at New London, Tuesday, March 21.

—Fresh shoulders, 8c, 6 Water street.
 South Norwalk Hibernians will give an invitation dance in their quarters on St. Patrick's day, Friday, March 17.

Mrs. John R. Finch, of Brooklyn, is visiting Captain A. B. St. John and family.

The South Norwalk Fife and Drum corps will hold a special meeting to-night in A. O. H. hall in Washington street.

The ocean barge, A. H. Leaming, has arrived at Raymond Bros' dock with a cargo of coal.

Old Well Tent, O. of M., will meet in its hall in Washington street to-night.

Humboldt Lodge, Sons of Herman, held a meeting in Germania hall, last night.

Judge Russell Frost is examining the officers of Company D, 4th Reg't., C. N. G., in Bridgeport, to-day.

Col. A. L. Thompson, city clerk of New Britain, and A. T. Boon of the same place, will visit Lincoln Council, No. 4, O. U. A. M., to-night.

—Fresh hams, 10c, 6 Water street.

Thomas Leonard, of Stamford, is now employed on the switch engine in the South Norwalk yards.

There will be a special meeting of the South Norwalk city council to-night, to act on the petition of the Norwalk Street Railway company for a layout through that city.

The Stamford National bank has declared a semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent. The stock is assessed at \$30 per share by the Norwalk city assessors.

Mrs. Oscar St. John and son Clifford, left yesterday, for Jacksonville, Florida, where they will spend a few days with Oscar St. John, Jr.

Mrs. Gehurdus Worden, of Orchard street, is visiting friends in Danbury.

Abram Van Buskirk is building a new barn for Selleck Waterbury, on Roton Hill.

The Women's Relief corps of Douglas Fowler Post, G. A. R. will meet to-night.

Mrs. Lucinda Williams, of East Orange, N. J., has secured employment in one of the Norwalk factories and will move to this city.

The probationers' class of the First Methodist church will hold a sociable at the parsonage to-night.

Sherman Council, Royal Arcanum, met last night and did degree work. Several candidates were initiated. There were visitors from Meriden and Stamford. An entertainment and refreshments followed the work.

—Wanted a boy at GAZETTE office. Apply at once.

The only thing corralled by the police last night was a silk haired terrier. Officer Hunt recognized the dog and returned him to his owner this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barraclough gave a wedding supper, last night, to a party of friends at their home on Connecticut avenue. Vocal and instrumental music were enjoyed.

The Kelsey club held a meeting in its rooms on Wall street last night. It was voted to give company L a special reception in the club rooms. Base ball matters were then discussed.

The committee appointed by the different labor organizations of Norwalk have called upon State Senator Keeler and Representatives Clarence Osborn and John H. Light in regard to the bills now pending before the legislature in the interest of the laboring man. The committee was pleased with its reception and the promise that the representatives would do all that was in their power to secure the passage of such bills.

(Local news on eighth page.)

KILLED BY A FALL.

Christian North Taken to the Hospital With Broken Neck and Dies.

NEW HAVEN, March 10.—Christian North, 37 years old a fireman, a rubber worker, who lived at 255 East street, fell down a flight of stairs about 2 o'clock this morning at Greene and East streets.

He was taken to the New Haven hospital, where he died half an hour later. His neck was broken.

Bigelow Place on Fire.

The Bigelow place in Five Mile River, lately occupied by M. H. Parsons and owned by T. Euphrat, is on fire as we go to press, and will probably be entirely destroyed.

The Weather.

Fair to-night; Saturday probably snow or rain.

Dr. Charles G. Bohannon of South Norwalk expects to go south soon for the benefit of his health.

A son was born this week to Mr. and Mrs. William Wood of 2 Jennings place.

Mrs. Margaret J. Bradbury, Regent of the Hannah Winthrop chapter D. A. R. of Cambridge, Mass., is a guest at the First Congregational parsonage.

Miss Ella Kenyon, of Fall River, Mass., has returned home from a visit with Miss Lottie Coleman, of St. John avenue.

National Guard officers from Danbury and Norwalk are being examined in Bridgeport, to-day. Among those from this place is Capt. Robert G. Mitchell of Co. D.

The members of Lincoln Council, No. 4, O. U. A. M., have arranged for an old time bean bake and smoker in their hall for this evening, when the state councilor and state vice-councilor will be present. It is expected that every member will be there early and that they will bring refreshments.

A one-armed man, who had his only arm in a sling, was arrested at the South Norwalk station, last night, where he had been out of a freight car on which he had been stealing a ride, by special officer John J. Cashow, for vagrancy. He gave his name as James Manning, of New York. This morning he was dismissed on condition that he get out of town.

THE QUEEN'S WEALTH.

Victoria Will Be the First English Sovereign to Leave Any Property.

Her majesty, Queen Victoria, will be the first sovereign of England who ever had any money to leave to her family. All of her predecessors on the throne bequeathed a choice assortment of debts to their posterity, which parliament was called upon to make the people pay. But while our queen permitted us to be taxed for the private obligations of George IV. and William IV., she herself paid all the debts of her father, the duke of Kent.

There is food for much speculation as to the disposition of her majesty's immense property. The bulk of it will, of course, go to the prince of Wales, and it has been asserted that the best estates are entailed upon the queen's successors with the condition that they shall not be mortgaged or alienated in any way. The palace at Osborne will probably be given to the queen's favorite daughter, Princess Beatrice, who is also expected to inherit the fortunes of the Empress Eugenie.



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In the process of manufacturing figs are used, as they are pleasant to the taste, but the medicinal qualities of the remedy are obtained from senna and other aromatic plants, by a method known to the CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. only. In order to get its beneficial effects and to avoid imitations, please remember the full name of the Company printed on the front of every package.

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BASKET BALL.

Exciting Game Between St. Joseph's T. A. B. & L. and Stamford High School Team.

Stamford High School and St. Joseph's T. A. B. and L. society played a rattling game of basket ball in Music Hall, last night, the game ending in a victory for the home team by the score of 14 to 6.

The game was greatly enlivened by disputes over decisions and offers of the visitors to fight which the local players were not loth to accept.

As a result Fawcett one of the Stamford's players was put out of the game by the referee in the first half.

William Gilmore acted as a referee for the home team and F. Bates and J. O'Brien, of Stamford, were the umpires. The teams played as follows:

ST. JOSEPH'S	STAMFORD
D. Cassassa	R. F. Moore
A. J. Collins	L. F. Schenner
J. O'Connell	C. Brown
C. Steegmuller	R. G. Quinn
A. Ghiotto	L. G. Reynolds

The individual score was: Goals from field Steegmuller 2, Collins 2, O'Connell 1, Cassassa 1, Moore 1, Schenner 1, Brown 1. Goals from foul Cassassa 2.

MISS LEEDS LOCATED.

Is At Dr. Smith's Sanatorium in South Wilton.

Miss Emily Leeds, the wealthy young Stamford woman who, it was reported, has been mysteriously spirited away, is at Dr. E. E. Smith's sanatorium, near South Wilton, regularly committed by the probate court. Dr. Smith says it is a very sad case. Miss Leeds was engaged to be married to Harry Hurlbutt of Stamford, but less than two months ago the engagement was broken. Dr. Henry P. Geib, stepfather of the young woman, has been for about a year an inmate of Dr. Kellogg's sanatorium at Battle Creek, Mich.

Many People Cannot Drink

coffee at night. It spoils their sleep. You can drink Grain-O when you please and sleep like a top. For Grain-O does not stimulate; it nourishes, cheers and feeds. Yet it looks and tastes like the best coffee. For nervous persons, young people and children Grain-O is the perfect drink. Made from pure grains. Get a package from your grocer to-day. Try it in place of coffee. 15 and 25c.

Stamford Board of Trade.

Stamford, March 10.—Among the principal speeches at the Stamford board of trade last night were those of Governor Lounsbury and Congressman Hill. The governor spoke for the state. He dwelt strongly on the advantages which a town may derive from a low rate of taxation and said that public officials should make it their aim to keep down taxes. If in so doing enemies are made they would gain many friends. Mr. Hill spoke on national expansion. He said he was not an expansionist or an imperialist. He believed in expansion in America—expansion of industries and manufactures. He believed our great duty was to restore order and establish sanitary conditions in Cuba and the Philippines.

Last Sad Rites.

The funeral of Allen Richard Moran son of Mr. and Mrs. William Moran will be held at his late home 192 South Main street, Saturday at 2 p. m. Rev. W. H. Hubbard of the Baptist church officiating. Interment at Riverside cemetery.

The funeral of Melville Scudder will be held to-morrow morning at 10:30 o'clock in Trinity church, Rev. F. W. Norris, officiating. The remains will be taken to Rahway, N. J., for interment.

Norwalk Club Pool.

Considerable interest is manifest in the pool tournament at the Norwalk club.

In yesterday's games Dr. W. F. Acton was defeated by H. W. Gregory by a score of 85 to 59.

In the game between Gould Hoyt and H. Edgar Ferris, the former won by a score of 80 to 78.

Fire in Danbury.

DANBURY, March 10.—The house of Albert G. Nutting, a dancing teacher on Hull's Hill, was burned at midnight. Mr. Nutting, who was alone in the house, was awakened by a burst of flame in his bedroom, and barely escaped with his life. The loss is \$2,500, upon which there was \$1,500 insurance.

Business Men's Smoker.

The Norwalk Business Men's association will hold a smoker at the Athenaeum, next Tuesday evening. Delegations from Bridgeport and other associations will be present and enjoy a good time.

A Sensible Man

Would use Kelsey's Balm for the Throat and Lungs. It is curing more of Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, Croup and all Throat and Lung Troubles, than any other medicine. The proprietor has authorized any druggist to give you a Sample Bottle Free to convince you of the merit of this great remedy. Price 25c. and 50c.

Pioneer Castle, K. of M. C. will meet to-night.



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The Piso Company, Warren, Pa.

ON A JOCKEY'S BADGE.

He Was Six Feet Tall and Weighed 200 Pounds. Got His Nerve Was Good.

In one of the newspaper composing-rooms in this city there is a typesetting machine operator who is a great lover of horse racing. A good share of his wages goes to the bookmakers at the local tracks during the racing season, although for some reason he never acquired the poolroom habit, and has always refused to put down a bet unless he was "there to see how the dogs ran." He is fully six feet tall, and weighs about 200 pounds. His size suggested a joke to one of his friends during the racing season last summer, says the New York Sun.

"Going to Sheephead Bay to-day?" the friend asked.

"I'd like to, but if I go I won't have much left to bet with."

"Can give you a jockey's badge," said the friend.

"Gimme it," replied the printer, eagerly, never realizing the ridiculous contrast between his size and that of even the heavy weight jockeys. Armed with the jockey's badge, he presented himself at the racetrack gate and showed his badge. The ticket taker looked at him in astonishment.

"For heaven's sake," he finally blurted out, "wot do you ride—the elephant?"

"There's one entered in the fifth race," was the reply, and his nerve so paralyzed the gatekeeper that he was admitted.

A Disturbing Photograph.

A remarkable story is agitating a section of society just now, says the London Daily Chronicle. A young lady of rank, who is engaged to be married to an officer serving in India, recently had her photograph taken by a leading London photographer before going out to India to be married. To her horror, when the photographs were sent home, there was plainly to be seen standing behind her in a very menacing attitude the phantom image of her fiancé! The young lady was photographed no less than three times under apparently ordinary circumstances, but each time the same form is said to have appeared or the negative. The prospective bride has postponed her departure until inquiries can be made regarding this singular affair.

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FOR SALE—Farm, 24 acres land, buildings, barn; good place, will be sold cheap. Enquire of J. T. HAYES, 5 Main street.

FOR SALE—A house on Wilton avenue, 6 rooms. Will be sold cheap. W. H. Byington, Insurance, GAZETTE Building. N30 1/2

FOR SALE—Residence on West avenue, about half way between the Twin Cities. Will be sold cheap. Enquire of J. T. HAYES, 5 Main street.

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FOR SALE—House on Franklin ave) one, water and sewer connection; barn and henry. W. H. Byington, Insurance, GAZETTE Building. M8 1/2

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WILL REPORT TO NEXT LEGISLATURE

Before Formulating a Plan For Canal Management the Governor Desires the Opinion of Experts to Help Solve the Problem.

ALBANY, March 9.—Governor Roosevelt has ordered an investigation for the purpose of formulating a definite canal policy for the state. He has designated Major T. W. Symonds of Buffalo, Hon. John N. Scatcherd of Buffalo, Hon. G. E. Greene of Binghamton, Hon. Frank S. Witherbee of New York city and General Francis V. Greene of New York city to assist State Engineer and Surveyor Bond and State Superintendent of Public Works Partridge to investigate this subject and submit to him a report, which will form the basis of recommendations to the next legislature, with a view of finally disposing of the canal question.

An appropriation providing for the expenses of this work will be made in the annual supply bill.

The governor in selecting the gentlemen to serve with the state engineer and superintendent of public works has considered the various subjects which the investigation will comprehend and will act accordingly. The appointees include representatives of the civil engineering profession, of traffic interests and of business life. The governor does not speak of the appointees as constituting a "commission," but rather as an advisory board to the state engineer and superintendent of public works. The subject to be investigated is one of extensive proportions, and the field of inquiry has been unlimited by the governor. It will include whether the present improvement plan, which has been suspended, providing for the deepening of the Erie and Oswego canals to nine feet and the Champlain canal to seven feet, should be carried to completion and the cost of the same, whether a barge canal should be constructed from Albany to Oswego and the western section of the Erie closed and whether it is wisest to turn the canals over to the national government for a ship waterway and to what extent the railroads have taken the place of the canals. This line of inquiry is best expressed in the following letter, which was yesterday sent by the governor to each of the five gentlemen appointed:

"My Dear Sir—I am very desirous of seeing the canal policy of the state definitely formulated. As you know, the \$9,000,000 designed to deepen the canals to the depth of nine feet has been practically expended, and it is reported that \$16,000,000 additional will be needed to carry this scheme through, while, at the same time, certain experts have said that the scheme, when carried through, will not be satisfactory. In short, there is much conflict of opinion as to what policy should be followed with reference to the canals and even as to the proper terminus of the canal on the lakes.

"I desire the opinion of a body of experts, who shall include in their number not merely high class engineers, but men of business and especially men who have made a study of the problems of transportation, who know the relative advantages and disadvantages of ship canals, barge canals and ordinary shallow canals, who are acquainted with the history of canal transportation as affected by the competition of railroads and who have the knowledge that will enable us to profit by the experience of other countries in these matters. I have decided to ask five of the citizens of New York whose reputation stands highest in this respect to act with the superintendent of public works, Colonel Partridge, and the state engineer and surveyor, Mr. Bond, to make the necessary investigations (and where necessary to call in the aid of special experts) to enable them to report to me at as early a day as convenient the proper course we should follow as regards this vital interest of the state of New York. I desire very much that you serve on this committee.

"Last year the questions which arose affecting the canals were really twofold in character—namely, those affecting the actual administration of the canals and those affecting the general canal scheme for the state.

"As regards the former, the questions are now well on their way to solution. Three of the best qualified lawyers in the state have been retained to investigate and press home any charge of corruption against any canal official which in their judgment can be sustained, and Colonel Partridge is so administering the office of superintendent of public works as to guarantee the honest, efficient and economical management of the canals as they now are.

"The broad question of the proper policy which the state should pursue in canal matters remains unsolved, and I ask you to help me reach the proper solution."

To Open a Mineral and Timber Belt.

MILWAUKEE, March 9.—A special to The Wisconsin from Menominee, Mich., says: "A. M. Blom, who has returned from New York, is associated with eastern capitalists in the purchase of 20,000 acres of mineral and timber lands in Houghton, Keweenaw, Baraga and Marquette counties for a consideration of over \$700,000. A corporation is to be organized with a capital stock of \$5,000,000. Prospectors are at work to have the copper mines located, and capitalists will build railroads from Rockland, Mich., to Keweenaw Point, traversing these lands. By this a new timber and mineral belt will be opened up. The work of building the railroad and sinking the mines is to be begun in the spring."

Anthracite Coal Discovery in Mexico.

HERMOSILLO, Mexico, March 9.—Prospectors employed by C. P. Huntington and his associates have recently discovered an extensive deposit of anthracite coal 100 miles west of Ortiz, south of here. The mines are to be immediately developed, and a branch railroad will be built from Ortiz to the mines. This is the first anthracite coal discovery of importance in Mexico.

Baltimore and Monterey at Manila.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—The navy department is informed that the cruiser Baltimore and the monitor Monterey, which have been in dock at Hongkong, have arrived at Manila.

POSTMASTER'S SAFE STOLEN

Thieves Pushed It Up the Street and Blew It Open.

NEW YORK, March 9.—While George A. Koch, postmaster of Woodmere, in Queens borough, slept in the back part of his drug store Tuesday night robbers rolled out a 600 pound safe that was standing in the front part of the store took it away and rifled it of its contents.

Early yesterday morning the wrecked safe was found standing in front of the Methodist parsonage, 300 yards from the store. Here it had been rolled by the robbers, but in what manner it is difficult to tell, for the safe is large and unwieldy.

The safe was recognized as belonging to the postmaster, who is also the druggist of the village. He was awakened and went to the scene.

He found that the door had been blown open with dynamite and that \$100 worth of postage stamps and \$50 in money had been stolen.

After the robbery the thieves made their escape, and there is no clew to their whereabouts or to their number.

Mr. Koch declares that he heard nothing during the night and is at a loss to know how the robbers contrived to get the safe out of the store without awakening him. He sleeps in the rear portion of the store, and there is only a thin wall separating the front from the back rooms.

It is regarded as strange that the explosion was not heard, but the Methodist pastor in front of whose house the work was done says he heard nothing.

Once before robbers made an attempt to steal Mr. Koch's safe, but they were frightened away just as they were getting it through the doorway.

A Shipyard Combine.

CLEVELAND, March 9.—The promoters of the shipyard combine, it is stated, secured options on nearly every shipyard on the great lakes. The owners of the plants selling out to the trust have agreed to take 50 per cent of the amount to be paid for their plants in the stock. The Cleveland Shipbuilding company, however, has declined to accept the price offered for its plant. The promoters of the combine say that they will eventually reach an agreement with the latter concern by which it will be brought in. It is understood to be the intention to close down a number of the smaller shipyards permanently as soon as the new company is organized, while the big plants will be enlarged and improved.

General Henry's Position.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, March 9.—General Guy V. Henry, military governor, whose attention was called yesterday to an interview published in a local American paper representing him as having said that civil government is now a necessity in Porto Rico, denied that this expressed his views of the case, explaining at the same time, as cabled the other day, that the question was one for the consideration of the colonial commission now here and that if the commission should find that Porto Rico is capable of self government and no longer in need of military control he would feel great personal gratification and that his arduous labors as military governor were well rewarded.

Heavy Damages For Libel.

PARIS, March 9.—M. Francis de Possone, foreign editor of the Temps and leader of the Dreyfusards, has been condemned to pay a fine of 500 francs and damages to the amount of 3,000 francs for libeling M. Guerin, president of the Anti-Semite league.

White Dinies With the Kaiser.

BERLIN, March 9.—United States Ambassador White and Mrs. White attended the banquet given last evening by Emperor William and Empress Augusta Victoria to the members of the diplomatic corps.

The Raleigh at Algiers.

ALGIERS, March 9.—The United States cruiser Raleigh, on her way home from Manila, has arrived here and is coaling.

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When the Southern veteran pinned a Confederate badge upon the manly breast of the president he fairly beat the president at his own game. Surely, the Union has been restored! If Jeff Davis should now rise from his grave and wave the Stars and Stripes it would not astonish us.—New Haven Palladium.

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Ruined by a Battle.

Sweden was ruined by a single battle. It was the battle of Pultowa, in 1709. In this battle Peter the Great of Russia defeated Charles XII. of Sweden. Sweden, under the Great Gustavus, had risen to the position of a first-class European power, while Russia was just emerging out of obscurity. Charles XII., by his marvelous victories, seemed on the way to make Sweden one of the greatest of the powers. The crushing blow that was dealt at Pultowa ruined Sweden. At the battle of Jena, in 1806, Napoleon crushed the kingdom of Prussia. The battles of Sadova and Sedan practically crushed France and Austria.—Cincinnati Enquirer.



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THE CITY.

She stands, with her stony beaches
Just touched by old Ocean's arm.
For islands fair are sentinels there
To guard her coasts from harm.

She stretches the torch of freedom
Toward the Old World from the New,
And her towers rise to as cloudless skies
As are mirrored in Ocean's blue.

She feels the pulse of the nation,
She knows the great of the land,
For they love the strife of the throbbing life
In the hollow of her hand.

The weary and broken-hearted
Plead in her arms to rest;
The wretched hide in her mantle wide,
And the suffering in her breast.

Though forests be grand and silent—
Though fields be wide and sweet—
Her children learn for her voice to yearn,
And the tramp of her restless feet.

She stands, with her stony beaches
Embraced by old Ocean's arm,
Through the noise and light—through the
smoldering night,
In a tide of unending charm.
—Elizabeth Dyke Lewis, in N. Y. Independent.

THE STRANGE STORY OF A BOX

By Constance C. Halkett

I WAS sitting by my library fire one evening, smoking, when my manservant informed me that a large box had arrived. I suddenly remembered that it was my birthday, and that I had casually mentioned the fact to my friend Brindle.

Now Brindle was much addicted to the playing of practical jokes (this to me was a flaw in an otherwise delightful character), and perhaps on this occasion I might be the victim, so I told the man to help me carry it into the library and then he might go.

The box, which was a long and rather narrow one, was, I noticed, perforated in every direction. It was fastened with a padlock, in which I found the key.

I opened it and started back in amazement, for inside it lay one of the most beautiful women it has ever been my lot to see, and she was either asleep or dead.

She was dressed in a long, trailing robe of violet velvet—what a woman would, I think describe as a "teagown;" the train of it made a sort of cushion for her head, and over it strayed long strands of golden hair.

I fetched a mirror and held it to her lips; a faint cloud spread over it at once.

She was not dead then, but sleeping. Yet—who sent her here? And why in such a plight?

I had no women folk to apply to in my dilemma; besides, one's women folk are apt to look askance at "strangers" of their own sex, especially if these are very beautiful.

I decided hurriedly to call my man Burns, a very excellent servant, who had been with me for years. And he appeared with such clerical duty that a suspicion crossed my mind—but, no! surely he was above spying through key holes!

I pointed to the girl, and asked him helplessly what I should do.

"Do, sir? Why, send for the nearest doctor, and for a detective from Scotland Yard."

"Of course!" I cried. "Why didn't I think of that myself? Take a cab and do both errands—I will stay here in case she awakes."

He went off at once. He had hardly been gone ten minutes when the door bell rang. I opened it myself and admitted a tall, thin man, who announced that a policeman had asked him to call at my house, and that his name was Dr. Smith, of M— street.

"A policeman—you meant my servant."

"No, I don't. I mean a policeman," he said testily. "Where is the patient? I am a busy man, sir, and can't afford to waste time."

Rather bewildered, I led the way to the library—and in a few words told him my story, and showed him the white figure lying so still and beautiful in those regal velvet robes.

He crossed the room to look closer.

"Good heavens!" he said. "It is Mlle. Sophie Seslagin, a Russian lady and a patient of my own. What can this mean?" He proceeded to investigate what would be the cause of her strange trance-like sleep.

"She has been drugged," he said. "I once studied in Russia, and there they use a curiously smelling herb, for such purposes, difficult to detect unless one is used to dealing with it."

"All that is very interesting—to you," I said impatiently. "But what am I to do?"

"I will send you a nurse at once," he said. "Have you a spare room? Good! The nurse is a sensible woman, and will put the lady to bed and ask no questions except of a professional description."

"Now, you must excuse me; I am watching a very interesting case. I will call again in the morning; meanwhile I can do nothing. No drug known acts on a patient under the influence of the one I mentioned; she will wake naturally in about 12 hours' time." And with that the doctor hurried away.

The next person to arrive was the detective (his name was Holmes), to whom I repeated my story.

He listened attentively, looked at Mlle. Seslagin, but made no remark worth relating, and presently went away, after giving me strict injunctions to allow no one access to my strange guest but the nurse and the doctor. I promised to attend to his warning and showed him out myself to find on the doorstep a comfortable, motherly-looking nurse, who produced Dr. Smith's card, and into whose capable hands I put the management of affairs generally with a sigh of relief, which sigh I repeated as the door of the "spare-room" was shut between me and the still sleeping stranger.

Only the long, coffin-like box was still in my study.

Suddenly I caught sight of a piece of paper which had been pinned to the lid inside.

On it was roughly sketched a ship, some waves, and a woman apparently drowning. What this could mean I could not guess.

I was still puzzling over it when the door bell rang again.

This time a man stood there—he had evidently just stepped out of a close carriage which waited near the curb, and he wore an ulster with a high collar which almost concealed his face.

"I have come," he said, "to retrieve a large box which was left here by mistake."

"Then you have come to the wrong man, I said, boldly. "That box and its contents are in my care."

As I spoke, to my surprise two policemen sprang out of the shadow of a neighboring archway, and seized the man before he had time to turn round.

"We were given a hint to keep an eye on this house, sir—by Mr. Holmes," one of them informed me shortly, before they marched off to the nearest "station" with their prisoner.

I retreated indoors and waited developments. Evidently I was in for a night of it, I thought grimly.

And, indeed, I had only taken half a dozen pulls at my pipe when a four-wheeler drove up. Inside were Mr. Holmes, the detective; two policemen, and my servant, Burns, with handcuffs on.

"What does this mean?" I asked.

The detective came into the house and shut the door—the cab drove off—and I mechanically followed him into the library.

There he turned and faced me. "It means," he said, "shortly, this: That your man servant is a member of a dangerous secret society of anarchists. Mlle. Seslagin (who is very rich) had bribed one of the younger members to sell her some papers which contained a clear and concise account of how to set about placing bombs in Westminster Abbey before the coming royal marriage—in order to blow up the whole royal party."

"Once or twice lately Mlle. Seslagin's house has been broken into, not for purposes of theft, but to find the missing papers, which she had copied and sent to the police, but kept the originals to put the anarchists off the scent and help the authorities to catch them all together."

"Besides, she wanted to pretend she had not given information. She knew anarchists and their ways, and feared their vengeance. She little knew their skill. They contrived this very evening to enter her house, drug her wine and (while all her servants were at supper) they put her into this box which they had got ready and carried her off."

"The orders were to deliver the box at No. 1 Mortimer street."

"By a curious coincidence there happens to be two Mortimer streets, and the box was brought to the wrong one."

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SHE WAS EITHER ASLEEP OR DEAD.

"The plan was (had she been taken to the anarchist who lives in the other) to cross-examine her on the subject of these papers, and then she was to be taken out to sea and drowned. Dead men—and women—tell no tales."

I handed him the paper I had found.

"Yes—that is the formal order for her death. I know their cipher well."

"And—Burns?" I asked. "How was it if he was 'in it' that he offered—nay, went—to fetch the doctor and you?"

"He did neither. I sent a policeman for the doctor, and came of my own accord. Mlle. Seslagin's house has been watched for the last week, for (unless she was in danger of her life) I made up my mind to wait and catch the whole gang at No. 1 Mortimer street to-night. The driver's mistake has put me out rather in my calculations, for Burns had time to warn the others before I managed to 'nab' him. However, I hope for better luck another time. Meanwhile, you have indirectly saved that poor lady's life."

As he finished speaking I was busy writing. I handed him a check.

"Thank you, sir; though really I am so pleased at to-night's work I almost feel like refusing this."

"Nonsense! I may need you again. Good night."

After that I was at last allowed to go to bed in peace.

I was a bachelor of long years' standing, and quite unaccustomed to such doings and goings on.

Still—though I can't say that the events of that night were exactly pleasant ones, I always in after years remembered it with something like gratitude, for that long, coffin-like box, which I thought held a practical joke, was the means of making the acquaintance of the lady who afterward became my wife.—N. Y. Weekly.

Safe. Mickey the Mouse—Dere won't be no questions asked when I returns dis watch fer de reward.

Swipes—Why won't dere? Mickey—it wuz a deaf and dumb man I pined it from.—N. Y. Journal.

CUBAN DISBANDMENT

Generals Brooke and Gomez Confer Regarding Details.

DISTRIBUTION OF CASH TO BEGIN SOON

The Cuban Leader Is Making an Excellent Impression and Is Working in Good Faith to Carry Out His Pledge to Porter.

HAVANA, March 9.—General Maximo Gomez had a two hours' conference with Governor General Brooke yesterday regarding the details of the payment to the Cuban army of the \$3,000,000 tendered by the United States as a condition of disbandment. He is working in good faith and expects to disband the troops with or without the consent of the disaffected elements. He is making an excellent impression upon the United States military authorities here, and they confidently believe that he will be able to make good his agreement with Mr. Robert Porter, President McKinley's representative. It is expected that the distribution of the cash will begin in the course of a fortnight at the latest.

General Brooke and his advisory cabinet are considering the expediency of issuing a decree concerning debts and mortgages, fixing terms of years in which the payment of principal sums should be made according to the condition of the lands pledged, interest to be liquidated after principal sums. The Association of Planters, co-operating with the bankers and merchants, has submitted to General Brooke the form of a decree to cover the case. It is signed by Mayor Lacoste, Senor de Castro and many well known sugar planters.

Chief of Police Mario Menocal submitted to Major General Ludlow at the end of February the police pay rolls for that month. The men have not been paid even yet, and as a consequence some are doing duty who do not have money with which to buy food or are compelled to borrow of friends. The force complains bitterly.

General Ludlow has not yet sent to General Brooke for approval the February pay rolls, though the reasons for the delay are not ascertainable at his headquarters. Moreover, the fact that the policemen are to receive Spanish gold is an undoubted hardship, especially when it is considered that they were compelled to pay for their uniforms and equipment in American gold and were given to understand at the outset that as employees of the United States military administration they would be paid in American gold. The payment of odd sums on last month's salaries in Spanish silver on a gold valuation resulted in a surplus of \$300 in the hands of the department rightfully belonging to the men. When they are paid this month, Colonel Evans intends to make restitution pro rata. As the police force is effective, the removal of United States troops from the city parks to the camps across the bay is daily expected. The United States battleship Indiana entered Havana harbor yesterday morning.

A Shift in Utah.

SALT LAKE CITY, March 9.—On the first ballot for United States senator yesterday Heber Bennion, a Democrat of Salt Lake City and formerly a McCune man, made a strong shift in favor of Hon. George Q. Cannon of the first presidency of the Mormon church. Bennion said Mr. Cannon had assured him that he was an advocate of free silver. Representative Bywater strongly opposed Cannon. The ballot resulted: King, 13; McCune, 25; F. J. Cannon, 9; George Q. Cannon, 13; Sutherland, 3.

Damage by Floods.

STROUDSBURG, Pa., March 9.—Reports from the upper Delaware river, near Milford, Pike county, indicate a serious state of affairs. Meadows and fields are overflowed, and the stream is gorged from the Hallway House to within a short distance of Milford. The Jersey flats across the river are also submerged, and three bridges have been carried away by ice near Milford. At the water gap all the ice has passed off without causing any trouble.

Seal Hunters Inspected.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., March 9.—Sir Henry McCallum, the governor, yesterday held a formal inspection of 3,000 seal hunters who are to leave for the icefields on Friday. It is believed he took this step in the interest of the British government, with a view to determining the utility of the men for the colonial naval reserve. He expressed himself as well pleased with their physical appearance.

Much Coin For Hawaii.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 9.—The importations of coin into Hawaii for the first three months of the year, Minister of Finance Damon reports, have been and will be very large. In January the importations were \$203,000, in February they were \$150,000, and it is expected to have \$300,000 in March, in all \$653,000.

The Guiana Boundary Dispute.

RIO JANEIRO, March 9.—The Brazilian government has accepted the proposal of Great Britain to submit the Guiana boundary dispute to arbitration. Senhor Joaquin Nabuco, former Brazilian secretary of legation in London, has been appointed to represent Brazil on the arbitration commission.

Iron Puddlers Strike.

HOLLIDAYSBURG, Pa., March 9.—The puddlers at the Portage Iron company works, near Dunncanville, went on strike yesterday for an increase from \$2.75 to \$3 a ton. Three hundred men are affected. It is stated that the company will grant the increase.

New County In Colorado.

DENVER, March 9.—The bill dividing El Paso county and creating a new county named Teller, in which is the Cripple Creek gold district, passed the house yesterday by a vote of 37 to 23. It is now pretty certain to become a law.

Senator Jones Recovering.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—Senator Jones of Arkansas is recovering gradually from his attack of Monday and is resting easily and quietly.

Belgian Queen Reported Worse.

BRUSSELS, March 9.—Extra editions of the papers assert that the condition of Queen Marie Henriette has grown worse.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Rudyard Kipling and his daughter Elsie are reported better.

Conditions are reported favorable for a great flood in the Mississippi valley.

Princess Kaulani is reported to be dying at Honolulu of rheumatism of the heart.

The Twelfth New York, now at Matanzas, Cuba, has been ordered home to be mustered out.

A Spanish paper in Havana accused armed Cubans of murdering Spaniards and terrorizing Mayor.

The New Jersey assembly adopted a resolution designed to prevent the consummation of the reported combine of the coal roads.

The president has tendered the office of congressional librarian to ex-Representative Barrows as a recess appointment, and he has declined.

Eager to Join the Army.

NEW YORK, March 9.—Enlistments for the regular army are being made at a rate that has not been equaled for a long time. There are two general recruiting stations in this state, one at Albany and one in this city. The New York city station, which is at 25 Third avenue and is under the charge of Major F. A. Whitney, Sixth infantry, is receiving about 2,000 applications a month and is accepting about 40 per cent. The general requirements are kept at the highest standard. No married men are taken. A large proportion of the men now presenting themselves for enlistment served as volunteers during the war with Spain. This fact is significant of their satisfaction with the treatment they got in the volunteer service.

Admiral Dewey in Poor Health.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 9.—Captain Fraser, late of the imperial forces, was a passenger on the Oriental steamer arriving here yesterday from Manila. He visited Manila and made a careful study of the conditions there. He said it will take some time for the Americans to down the Filipinos, possibly two years. "The Filipinos do a lot of getting out of the way," he says, "and keep up an irritating sharpshooting. I dined with Admiral Dewey. He is in poor health and certainly should be ordered home. He has aged much. His hair is very white. He is an unassuming man and a brave commander. The strain which he has undergone is very great."

A New Gun Tested.

READING, Pa., March 9.—A preliminary test of the new Brown segmental tube wire gun was made yesterday at the proving grounds near Birdsboro. Captain MacNutt of the ordnance department conducted the test. Three shots were fired, and the gun worked satisfactorily.

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IMPROVEMENT WORK TO BE RESUMED

Large Number of Sugar Mills Grinding, but Capacity is in Excess of Present Crop - Sampson Sails From Havana to Porto Rico.

SANTIAGO, Cuba, March 10.—The remainder of the funds for February was formally allowed yesterday from Havana, and it is expected that the estimate for March will be allowed by cable today, in which case the work on public improvements will be immediately resumed. A communication was received from Havana appointing a secretary to the local so called board of agriculture, but as a matter of fact no such board exists here, the practice being for a competent man to report regularly on agricultural matters to the civil governor. If his advice seems worthy of acceptance, that functionary adopts it. Similar appointments of strangers to posts in this province from Havana have caused no little unfavorable comment.

General Leonard Wood expects that within a few days most of the laborers will be working again, as the asphalt company will commence operations on a large scale early next week under a former contract. The prospects now look much brighter than they did ten days ago.

Major Duncan Harrison, who had been defending before the court martial one of the men charged with complicity in the outrage at San Luis, has been debarred from further connection with the defense owing to contempt of court, incompetency and his apparent efforts to justify his own conduct on the occasion of the outrage instead of defending his client.

News From Havana.

HAVANA, March 10.—The north Atlantic squadron under Rear Admiral Sampson will sail at 1 o'clock today, proceeding by way of Cienfuegos, Guantanamo and Kingston, Jamaica, to Porto Rico. Major General Lee, commander of the Seventh army corps, will go on the battleship Texas to Cienfuegos, returning from that point by rail. As Major General J. Warren Keifer, commander of the First division of the corps, has received a dispatch announcing the dangerous illness of his wife, he will probably sail for the United States, thus leaving General Arnold, commander of the Second division, in temporary command of the Seventh corps. Forty-two sugar mills are now grinding in Havana province and 55 in the province of Matanzas, where the capacity of the mills is largely in excess of the crop, which is only one-third of the normal yield. A refinery at Matanzas and another at Cardenas will start shortly, and General Wilson predicts that the industry will be re-established in three or four years.

New Yacht Sails Well.

BATH, Me., March 10.—The new steam steel yacht Aphrodite, constructed by the Bath Iron works for Colonel O. H. Payne of New York, was given her builder's trial trip yesterday, and she developed a speed of 17 knots an hour. The engines worked smoothly throughout the trip, while the yacht under the burst of speed behaved splendidly. The Aphrodite will be ready to sail for New York the last of this month.

Summer House Burned.

BENNINGTON, Vt., March 10.—The summer mansion of Mrs. John B. Tibbetts of New York was almost completely destroyed by fire yesterday, but several valuable pictures and some of the furniture on the first floor, being readily accessible, were saved. The house was built during the civil war at a cost of \$100,000 and was occupied in summer by Mrs. Tibbetts and her son-in-law, James C. Colgate. Mrs. Tibbetts is at present at Bermuda.

Entombed in a Mine.

LEADVILLE, Colo., March 10.—A cave-in in the flooded shaft of the Bonair mine of the down town group entombed Charles Reuss and Burt Frye, miners, in a drift 400 feet below the surface. A. F. Sheppard, who was coming up the shaft, was badly injured. The entombed men have signaled that they are alive by rapping on the steam pipe, and it is thought they will be rescued.

Coroner Finds Palmer Guilty.

PROVIDENCE, March 10.—Coroner Hawkins, who conducted the inquest into the death of Mrs. Addie Nutter Palmer, wife of Ames D. Palmer, who was shot and killed at their home in Edgewood last month, has submitted his report, in which he holds Palmer responsible for the woman's death, finding that she came to her death from shots fired from a revolver in the hands of her husband.

Copper Plate For Warships.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The construction board of the navy department had a meeting yesterday and discussed the subject of copper plating the bottom of warships. The board had the facts which had been obtained from a trial of the private steamer Alliance, which has copper plate over the steel bottom. The matter will receive further consideration from the board before a definite conclusion is reached.

To Overhaul the Chelsea Hospital.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Plans and specifications are being prepared at the navy department for the general renovation of the naval hospital at Chelsea, Mass., for which an appropriation of \$45,000 was made at the last session of congress. Work will be undertaken in the spring.

Railway Tax Bill Passed.

LANSING, Mich., March 10.—The house has concurred in all the amendments made by the senate to the Atkinson railway taxation bill. The action was unanimous. The bill now goes to Governor Pingree, who will sign it as finally passed.

Woolen Mills Resume.

DEDHAM, Mass., March 10.—The Merchants' Woolen mill at East Dedham has resumed operations, after a shutdown of six months. The mill is the largest in the town and employs about 300 hands.

TOURISTS IN PORTO RICO.

A Party of Americans Seeing the Sights in Our New Possessions.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, March 10.—The American line steamship Paris, Captain Frederick Watkins, has arrived. She was not boarded by the health officer until yesterday morning at 7 o'clock, shortly after which a large party from the shore visited the steamer, among them Brigadier General Fred Grant, military commander of the department of San Juan. The Paris has on board more than 400 passengers and is bound on a month's cruise around Porto Rico, Cuba and the other West Indian islands. During the war she was the auxiliary cruiser Yale, and Captain Watkins held the rank of commander in the United States navy.

The passengers report a delightful passage and are very enthusiastic regarding the trip, especially applauding the beautiful view of San Juan from the sea. The Paris left New York bay shortly after 10 o'clock on the morning of March 5. The first day out was foggy. The fog was followed by rain, and off Cape Hatteras the seas were rough, though not particularly severe. The rest of the trip to this point was bright and delightful. Mole St. Nicholas was spoken on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Many of the passengers have come ashore in small boats and have been enjoying the sights in San Juan. General Grant and Mrs. Grant gave a breakfast yesterday morning to the Hon. John Sherman, former secretary of state; Mr. and Mrs. Colgate Hoyt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stewart Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Anson Phelps Stokes and the Misses Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Tailer and Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Morrison.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Mgr. Clari, papal nuncio, died in Paris of apoplexy.

Brooklyn bridge receipts last year exceeded expenditures by nearly \$200,000.

A disastrous hurricane swept over the Black sea, seriously damaging shipping.

A gold nugget was found in Western Australia weighing 2½ pounds avoirdupois.

In a bloody battle which ended the Ecuador revolution 600 were killed and many severely wounded.

The Daughters of the Confederacy have decided to erect a statue over the grave of Miss Winnie Davis at Richmond.

The empress dowager of China recalled Li Hung Chang in view of palace and foreign policies. It was believed the emperor would be made away with at once.

The appellate division of the supreme court at Albany granted the Delaware and Hudson railroad a new trial in their suit to procure a right of way for their road through the Adirondacks.

Cuban Postal Revenues.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Postmaster General Emory Smith has received a letter from E. G. Rathbone, director of posts in Cuba, saying that the bureau of finance reports that for the period Feb. 20 to 25, inclusive, there was received in money order funds \$16,749. There was deposited to the postal fund during the same period \$7,747. The bureau of postal accounts reports postal revenues from all sources up to and including Feb. 27, \$56,981, which, after deducting total payments, leaves an available balance of \$28,562. The postal revenues are still holding up to a little over \$1,000 a day.

A New Magazine Rife.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—There was a private test at the navy yard yesterday of a new magazine rifle, the invention of S. M. McClane of Cleveland. General Miles and some other army officers witnessed the test. The new gun uses the gases generated by its firing to operate the magazine mechanism. It can be so arranged that one pull of the trigger empties the magazine, or it can be fired as slowly as desired, the automatic arrangement ejecting the empty shells, reloading and cocking the piece. The test on the whole was satisfactory.

Bombs Found in Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, O., March 10.—Two more nitroglycerin bombs were found yesterday lying in front of the Hickox office building, corner of Euclid avenue and Erie street. There was sufficient explosive in either of the bombs to create great havoc in the immediate vicinity. They were of the same pattern as the one found near the big building previously. The police have made a fresh start on the case and will make every effort to unravel the mystery.

A Chance to Re-enlist.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The navy department has instructed the commanders of receiving ships along the Atlantic coast to resume the enlistment of ordinary seamen holding honorable discharges for services rendered during the Spanish war. The officer in charge of the naval recruiting station in Chicago has been similarly instructed and in addition has been told to enlist landsmen under the same conditions.

Wrong Signal Causes Fatal Wreck.

ALTOONA, Pa., March 10.—The way passenger train, west bound, ran into the rear end of a freight train at Allegripus, six miles west of this city and just west of Horseshoe bend, yesterday afternoon. John Tarr, engineer of the first engine, hauling the passenger train, and George Keim, the fireman, were killed. None of the passengers was hurt. The accident is said to have resulted from a wrong signal.

Elopement and Suicide.

READING, Pa., March 10.—Harry Kintzer, a prosperous farmer aged 35 years, living near Womelsdorf, this county, has eloped with Miss Beldier, daughter of a neighbor, and their whereabouts are unknown. When Mrs. Kintzer, the deserted wife, learned of the elopement, she took a dose of Paris green and died within a few minutes.

Crushed by Falling Rocks.

MADRID, March 10.—A vast quantity of rock overhanging the village of Rucorja, near Albacete, in the province of that name, fell yesterday, destroying many houses and killing 11 people.

Castellanos Has a Job.

MADRID, March 10.—General Jimenez Castellanos, the last governor general of Cuba, has been appointed captain general of Madrid.

Weather Probabilities.

Cloudy, with rain or snow; fresh to brisk north to east winds.

NEW CANAAN.

John Bird has resigned the position he held at C. W. Bartow's bakery.

Charles Sherwood is temporarily acting as clerk for J. F. Silliman & Co.

The monthly meeting of the fire company will be held on Thursday evening.

Henry Duryea is now employed as a helper at Raymond and Brant's carriage shop.

Mrs. Henry A. Goulden, of Brooklyn, visited her uncle, A. L. Benedict, of East avenue, for several days.

Kinsella & Smallhorn, Lester Knapp and C. S. DeForest will have their stores wired at once for electric lights.

Eugene Bryant has rented the Eugene Burt residence on Forest street. Mr. Bryant is the wood-worker in Johnson's carriage works.

Willie, the young son of Henry Tomkins, while playing on a bed at his home, Friday, fell over the back of it and broke his right arm.

The funeral of the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Webb, of Norwalk, who died of pneumonia, Saturday, was held on Wednesday interment being in Lakewood cemetery.

J. A. Houser, formerly agent at the Riverside station, commenced his duties at the railroad station here on Saturday. The former agent, Mr. Reid is now taking charge of the coal business in Norwalk recently purchased by Irving Lockwood.

The funeral of Sally M. Lockwood, of Lewisboro, who died on Friday the 3d inst., was held on Monday afternoon at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. U. G. Seymour, at two o'clock. The deceased died of pneumonia and was 79 years of age. Interment was in the Lewisboro cemetery.

WILTON.

Ramon Gonzales, a pupil at Whitlock's school, sailed for his home in Ponce, Porto Rico, on Friday, having received a message that his father was dangerously ill in that place.

It is rumored that the Lockwood place now occupied by Jas. O. Hunt, has been sold to parties in town. It is understood that Mr. Hunt will remove to Wallingford.

Mrs. S. P. Fitch is visiting her daughter Mrs. D. D. Telford in New York.

Mrs. John L. Cummins, who has been visiting relatives in town, returned to Goshen, N. Y., on Friday.

Mrs. A. W. Merwin and daughter are the guests of Miss Merwin in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Miss Sophie Olmstead, of New York, has been the guest of Mrs. Edward Olmstead.

The case of Robert Lynch vs. Charles Horton for an alleged bill for services of the former, was again up before justice Chichester on Monday and was adjourned until Monday next.

CRANBURY.

Some one has administered poison to a pet canine belonging to John Englehardt. An attempt has been made to save the animal's life.

It is reported here that the Street Railway tracks are to be extended on Newtown avenue to the Allen Betts saw-mill. Surveyors were at work on the route yesterday.

John Englehardt's house is receiving a new coat of paint.

Washington Lodge, I. O. G. T., held a successful social at the residence of Mrs. Caroline Weyman, Wednesday night. Games of various kinds were played and refreshments served. E. L. Gregory secured the first prize, and Alfred Saunders took the booby honor. John Kapor was the winner in one of the games owing to the fact that he had the longest tongue.

Charles Bouton has received a letter from his brother John, of Armour's yacht, "Utowana," dated at Yucatan, saying they expected to go to New Orleans about March 2nd.

Clark Ely is recovering from the grip.

Hezekiah Fillow has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Benjamin Raymond, of Port Chester.

Mr. and Mrs. Ebner Gilbert will move to Wilton about the first of April. Mr. and Mrs. Darling will move into the place to be vacated by Mr. Gilbert.

BELDEN HILL.

Mrs. Francis Brady and Mrs. David Whitlock have returned from an extended trip to Newark.

Robert Benedict is seriously ill from the effects of the scratch of a pin on his face. His lower jaw was frightfully swollen on Monday and at one time blood poisoning was feared, but at this writing he is slowly improving.

Julian C. Gregory was in town on Saturday.

Saved A Boy's Life.

Mrs. Captain H. Hubbard, of Milford, Del., says: "Brazilian Balm saved my boy's life. He began just like the one we lost with croup. We gave him a few doses. He quickly dropped to sleep, and was all right in the morning."

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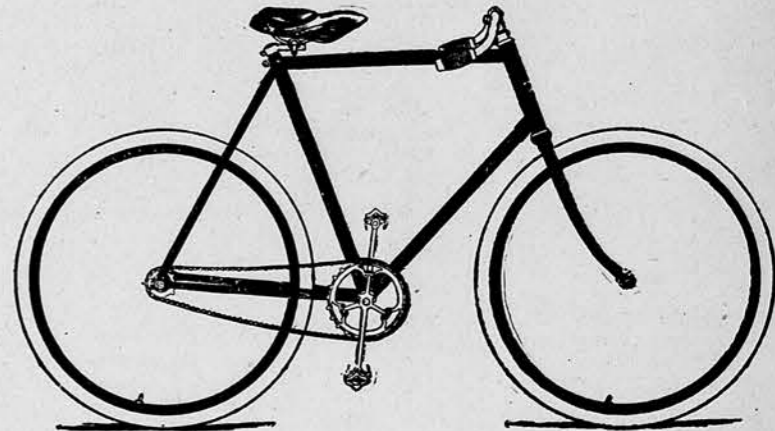
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Ballots for members of the South Norwalk department can be deposited in the ballot box at the store of Whelpley & Clark in the Lauder building.

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Local News.

Miss Lena Rice, of A. Dickerman Son's, is ill with the grip. A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs. John W. Banks, of East Norwalk. Miss Agnes Barrett, of Seymour place, spent Sunday in New Haven. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Rodrick Weed, of Stuart avenue, Saturday. Mrs. Homer B. Hoyt of South Third street is ill with inflammatory rheumatism. Miss Elsie Decker, of Riverside avenue has been spending several days in Waterbury. Mrs. Lewis G. Fowler, of East Norwalk, has been visiting her mother in New Haven. William Howard and daughter Edna and Miss Lillian Farrell spent Sunday at Danbury. Miss Maggie Coleman, of West avenue, is suffering from nervous prostration. Miss Laura Lawrence, of School street, has been visiting in Albany, New York. Miss Eleanor G. Smith, of Bayview avenue, has gone to Boston, to spend two weeks with friends. Charles F. Tristram proposes leaving on next Tuesday to join his family in Jacksonville, Florida. Mr. and Mrs. James Platt, of New York, are guests of Miss Eliza G. Platt, of West avenue. Andrew Collins, of South Main street, entertained his brother from Danbury, Saturday. Rev. W. H. Hubbard and family took their abode in the Baptist parsonage South Main street, on Saturday. Mrs. L. C. Day, of Norwalk, has returned home from a trip to New York city. Mrs. Edward H. Gumbart went to Bethel, Monday, having received word at her sister in that place is seriously ill. Mrs. Phoebe Crabbe is critically ill at her home on Merwin street. Mrs. Crabbe is a centenarian. The election of a nominating committee will take place at the Norwalk Club on Monday evening, March 13. Mrs. Warner, of Naugatuck, has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. D. Harr Beach, of East Norwalk. Richard G. Mitchell, formerly of this place, has resigned a lucrative position in Brooklyn, and will go west for his health. Rev. Father Riorden, of Iowa, a nephew of Mrs. Catherine Pomeroy, of Academy street, officiated at the 10:30 service at St. Mary's church, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Reed H. Flynn, of Danbury, have been spending a few days in South Norwalk, visiting relatives. Miss Agnes Bryant, teacher of the Forge district, Weston, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bryant, East avenue. The engagement is announced of Miss Louise Stevens, daughter of Captain Mrs. William I. Stevens, of Rowton, and James H. Mitchell, of New York, formerly of South Norwalk. Presiding Elders, J. W. Beach, C. S. King, George VanAlstyne and C. J. Smith held a meeting at the Mahacke Hotel, last week, to complete arrangements for the sessions of the Methodist conference. On March 20th the Third Conn. U. S. will be mustered out of the service. It is said to be a project on foot among the Connecticut men to charter a transport to bring them direct to Wilkes Point from Savannah. The petition of James W. Burtis, of Canaan, to be adjudged a bankrupt, was filed in the United States district court, Monday, and was referred to John W. Banks, of Bridgeport, the referee for Fairfield county. A large onion house owned by William Burr, of Greens Farms, was burned to the ground Saturday afternoon. A large number of barrels of onions and carrots were destroyed. The cause of the fire is not known. The Lenten Tea to be held at the Central club next Saturday Miss Sarah Stevens will have charge of the literary and musical program and Mrs. C. Many and Mrs. Robert Van Buren will have charge of the tea-table. Miss J. Etta Foley, teacher in the primary grade in the Over River school, resigned, to take effect March 10. She will go to a Bridgeport school to take a similar grade at an advanced salary. Her successor here has not been announced. Ezra Moore, of Cedar street, will baptize the boy baby which was found in a residence in Spring street, Thursday night. Selectman E. Jones will have it brought from Silimine, to which place it was taken aboard last week. The Norwalk Central Labor Union has appointed a committee of three to call upon Senator Keeler and Representatives Light and Osborn to protest against the proposed change in the factoring law. The Labor Union has agreed to start a monthly journal which will state the labor side of any disputed question.

Prof. Gibson's next organ recital will take place on Monday evening, 13th inst. Mrs. Lavinia Grumman, of Academy street, is visiting Mrs. Charles Murray, Jr., of Ward street. Miss Florence Nichols is spending a few days with Miss Hattie Parker on Main street. Mrs. LeGrand C. Betts is spending a week in New York, the guest of Mrs. George F. Butterworth. The Library club held its regular meeting at the Central club house Monday evening. Miss Mary Field Pardee of South Norwalk has gone to Vernon Center to attend the funeral of a relative. Veterinary surgeon Robert Mullings is home from Washington, D. C. Joseph Downes died, Sunday, at his home in New Haven, leaving a wife and an infant son. Mrs. Downes was formerly Miss Kittie Ahern, of Norwalk. Mr. and Mrs. Franklin J. Curtis have recovered from an attack of the grip. Mrs. James Golden of Fairfield avenue, has returned from a visit in Hartford. Mrs. Sarah R. Starr of South Main street, entertained Miss Frances Eaton over Sunday. Miss Bertha Lane, of Hamilton avenue, went to New Haven, Monday, to spend a few days. Mayflower Hook and Ladder Company will hold its monthly meeting next Monday night. The weavers at the Norwalk textile factory are working nights to keep pace with the orders. Miss Jennie Alexander, of Stamford, has been spending a few days at her home on Taylor avenue. An addition will be placed on the rear of George Keeler's building on the Washington street bridge. Miss Mattie Moore is dangerously ill at her home in Harriet street. The doctors have no hopes for her recovery. William J. Finney, Jr., has so far recovered from an attack of the grip that he is able to be out, though not to resume work. Henry Stevenson of Westport avenue, and Mrs. Elizabeth Gilbert, widow of Harmon Gilbert of Wilton, were recently married. Rev. Charles E. Harris, a former pastor of the First Methodist church, preached in that church Sunday morning and evening. Edgar Howell, of Brooklyn, has arrived here for a few days' visit, and will settle up the estate of his mother, Mrs. B. A. Jackson. The ladies of the entertainment committee of the South Norwalk Congregational church are arranging to hold a turkey supper on March 15th. Francis Algara is in receipt of a telegram announcing the serious illness of his mother in Mexico. He expects to leave for her home at an early date. Mrs. A. D. Greeley, of Pelham, N. H., and Miss Grace I. Greeley, of Springfield, Mass., are the guests of Alexander Semple and family, of West avenue. Through O. L. Bassett, the Wilton Fish club has placed an order for a quantity of Kansas quail which will be given freedom in the preserves of the club. Professor Newell announced to his class Friday that the regular dancing lesson which would fall upon March 17th, St. Patrick's Day, would be given the Tuesday previous. Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Chase and daughter, of South Amboy, N. J., were among the guests at the Norwalk hotel over Sunday. Miss Chase is attending school at Miss Baird's Institute. Mrs. Samuel G. Peat, of Bedford Park, N. Y., who has been a guest of her sisters, the Misses Farrell, in this city has returned home, accompanied by her sister, Miss Margaret Farrell. The South Norwalk Fish club will give an Easter concert and ball at Germania hall on Easter Monday night, for which extensive preparations are being made. One of the features will be an up-to-date dinner. Frank H. Merrill was appointed trustee of the insolvent estate of J. H. Gormley, by Judge Woodward, Monday. Alfred E. Austin and James H. Hoyt were named as appraisers. The commissioners will be appointed Saturday, March 18. At the official meeting of the Methodist church, last Wednesday night, it was voted to hold the annual pew rental Tuesday night, March 28th. The class meeting will begin at 7:15 that evening and close at 8, the hour for renting the pews. Word was received here Sunday of the death of Mrs. E. O. Clark, in Margaretsville, N. Y. Mrs. Clark was formerly Miss Julia Burnham, of South Norwalk. She leaves a husband and an infant son. Her many friends in town will grieve to learn of her early demise. Another aged and well known resident of South Norwalk in the person of Davis Hatch died Saturday evening at his home on West avenue, in the 88th year of his age. He leaves a family of eight children, Stephen S., Manuel T., Joseph, Horace S., Davis, Julia A., Clara J. and Mrs. James S. Bailey.

The Annual City Meeting.

A meeting of much import to the tax payers of the city of Norwalk was held in the Town Assembly rooms last Monday evening. Important in the fact not only that the appropriations for the conduct of the city government were to be made but that it was the annual city meeting and that matters of vital importance to all were brought before the meeting. The assemblage was a representative one, and the appropriations asked for by the council were granted almost without a dissenting vote. It was in this respect an annual meeting, and must have been a flattering one for the new council. Mayor Glover presided, and but once during the entire proceedings was there any question as to his rulings and this but a technical one. There were, perhaps, 250 or more people in the room when the mayor called the meeting to order, and the call for the same was read by clerk Hurlbutt. The report of the city treasurer was read and then the meeting immediately launched into the business of appropriations. The administrative department asked for \$4,500. After some remarks on the matter by Messrs. Selleck and Gray, the latter of whom asked for items, the amount asked for was voted. The highway department asked for and was voted \$4,500; the finance department, \$13,000; the fire department, \$3,500; lights, \$7,000; police, \$4,500; sewer, \$1,500, and library, \$2,500. In reference to the last appropriation John J. Hanlon asked as to the amount of appropriation last year and the presiding officer succinctly explained the same. Then came the no unimportant matter of laying a tax to meet the city expenditures. William McMullen moved that a tax of 8 mills be laid. E. M. Lockwood asked as to the amount that tax would raise, and on being informed made an amendment to the motion that a tax of 8 1/2 mills be laid. The amendment being accepted the meeting promptly voted a tax of 8 1/2 mills. A question arose as to when the tax would be due and payable and a motion that July 1st be the fixed date was offered. After some discussion the date was fixed at June 15th, 1899. A resolution that the sum of \$500 be appropriated for band concerts on the Green next summer was introduced. B. W. Maples claimed that the appropriation of such a sum was out of order and not legally within the province of the meeting. The chair considered the point well taken and the matter was tabled. Then came the selection of a committee to represent the city in the matter of consolidation. The chair decided that such selection should be ballot and appointed Messrs. Frank J. McKeon, John H. Hoyt, S. L. Weed and Frances Leonard as tellers. Attorney Gregory in a little speech presented the name of Mayor Glover, and the mayor while admitting the honor modestly declined. Attorney Lockwood in an equally well formulated speech presented the name of Arthur C. Wheeler. During this diversion printed ballots for other candidates were distributed. There were 203 votes cast on the first ballot of which number J. Belden Hurlbutt received 157, Levi Warner, 17, Frederick Buckley, 17 and A. C. Wheeler 7. The ballot for the second member of such committee was reported by the tellers as being in total 250 divided as follows, Levi Warner, 132, Frederick Buckley, 47 and A. C. Wheeler, 46. For the third man on the committee the tellers reported 256 votes as being cast, Frederick Buckley receiving 197 and A. C. Wheeler 56. The committee as announced by the chair are Messrs. Hurlbutt, Warner and Buckley. A motion in effect that the city council of Norwalk be directed and authorized to contribute the sum of \$250 for the reception to be tendered the members of Co. L. Third Conn. U. S. Vols. on their return home, was presented. Mayor Glover, thought that in the line of the disposal of the band reso-

lution the resolution was out of order and so decided. An appeal was taken from the ruling by B. W. Maples, who had objected to the band resolution, and he spoke in favor of his appeal, and explained the difference between the two resolutions, in a sense that one was right and the other entirely wrong. Attorney Gregory also explained the difference between the two resolutions, and favored the adoption of the latter. The chair then asked for the voice of the meeting as to his ruling in the premises and the vote was almost unanimously in the negative. It was then voted that the city council appropriate the sum of \$250 as embodied in the original resolution. A motion to adjourn was offered and under the supposition that it was voted, a number of those present left the room and did not wait to hear Secretary Camp read the report of the water commissioners. After he had finished the reading of the report, the meeting adjourned.

OBITUARY.

DAVIS HATCH.

The late Davis Hatch, whose funeral was on Tuesday afternoon, and who since 1860 has been a foster son of Norwalk, was a man of parts and a thorough gentleman. In the vigor of life he held important business relations with the Southern Islands, and was a valued citizen of Porto Rico. Young men from Ponce, several of whom have been educated in this town, have uniformly borne witness to the esteem in which he was held, and the influence he exerted in their native domain. His Norwalk life has been, largely, that of leisure but not of apathy. He has eagerly watched the trend of political movements in his former home, evidencing a remarkable grasp of civil and commercial conditions thereat, and has been alive to issues and interests in his adopted Norwalk, where he has been an honored member of the body politic and a benefactor and friend of learning. In the dignity of advancing years he has more recently graced our streets, while his fine tastes and true tone have been an inspiration to the visitor whom he has warmly welcomed to his West avenue hearthstone. His wife, a lady of exceptional charms of nature, mind and manner, preceded him a few years ago, to the tomb, and now that both parents have departed, the memory legacy bequeathed to surviving children is priceless.

MRS. GEORGE H. BRADLEY.

Ex-selectman Daskam went to New Haven, yesterday, to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. George H. Bradley. Deceased was in the 83d year of her age. She was a daughter of Samuel and Lucretia Daskam, deceased, and enjoyed the distinction, together with her late husband, of being the first to stipulate their nuptial vows in the old St. Paul's church.

QUAY MAY WITHDRAW.

Such Rumors Prevalent at Harrisburg, but Are Denied.

HARRISBURG, March 7.—There are rumors current here that Senator Quay will withdraw before the close of the present week and that Colonel George F. Huff of Greensburg will be chosen his successor in the United States senate. There is also talk that if Mr. Quay remains in the fight the Lancaster delegation will desert him on account of the removal of a nephew of ex-Auditor General Mylin of Lancaster by Governor Stone from a subordinate position in one of the departments. Senator Quay's managers ridicule these reports and insist that under no conditions will he withdraw. They say their lines are intact and the rumors of further defections in their ranks absurd. The house of representatives had another lively debate last night over the resolution offered by Mr. Koontz for the appointment of four additional members of the bribery investigating committee in connection with the passage of the McCarrell jury bill in the house. Mr. Koontz, who is a member of the committee, declared that the resolutions adopted by it, against his protest, which regulate the method to be pursued, and he demanded that they be set aside. Several amendments were offered, including one to discharge the committee from further consideration of the charges, but after a great deal of argument these were withdrawn and the original resolutions were adopted by a viva voce vote. The new members of the committee are Young of Tioga and Rendall of Chester, anti-Quay Republicans, and Dixon of Elk and Fow of Philadelphia, Democrats.

Arrival of Porto Rico Commission.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, March 7.—The United States transport McPherson, formerly the Obedam, arrived yesterday with General Robert P. Kennedy, Major Charles W. Watkins and Congressman Henry G. Curtis of Iowa, who constitute the Porto Rico commission on education, taxation and the cognate interests of the island. The commissioners say that they expect to remain here a month, but will consider only questions relating to the civil government and not interfere with the affairs of the military administration. It had been generally understood that the commission would assume the functions of the military department, especially regarding the consideration of franchises and improvements, and many persons had prepared to submit applications for franchises.

TWICE SENTENCED

Fred Max Brockhaus Re-sentenced by Judge Wheeler.

ORIGINAL DATE FIXED.

An Affective Meeting Between Mother and Son at County Jail.

Fred Max Brockhaus, convicted of the murder of David S. R. Lambert of Wilton, has passed through the unusual experience of being twice sentenced for the same crime, for in the criminal Superior court Tuesday noon he was again sentenced to death. The time was not changed, Sept. 6 being the date, the same as originally decided upon by the court. Brockhaus was neatly attired in a dark fitting suit, and his youthful face showed no traces of any feeling. When sentence had been passed he bowed low, and the words "thank you" addressed to the judge were the only ones that escaped his lips. He was led back to the carriage that had conveyed him from the jail. He will be taken to Wethersfield the latter part of this week, either by Sheriff Hawley or one of his deputies. Brockhaus and his mother were together for an hour in the office of Sheriff Hawley at the jail. The mother of the unhappy youth was painfully distressed, and wept almost during the whole of the conversation. The young prisoner bore up nobly and spoke reassuringly to his mother bidding her not to weep or worry for him as he had fully resolved to meet his God. He assured his mother that although condemned to death, he was innocent of the murder of the aged schoolmaster, and had no part in the actual killing. He also assured her that when he went with Willis to Wilton, he did not have murder in his heart, and that the killing was done by Willis and was without provocation. Mrs. Brockhaus calmed herself after a time, and told her son that she and his father would visit him frequently at State's prison, and try and comfort his final moments. When Brockhaus left for the court to be re-sentenced, his mother who arrived here from New York, Tuesday morning, accompanied him in the same carriage, going to the depot after bidding him an affectionate farewell at the court house.

DR. NOBLE RESIGNS.

Will Sever His Connection With Congregational Church in September.

At the Congregational church, Sunday morning, Rev. T. K. Noble read the following letter of resignation: TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH AND SOCIETY: My Dear People: It is known to some of you that for the past six months I have been a sufferer from insomnia. My general health is still excellent, and you will remember that during my entire ministry among you, in the good providence of God, I have not been kept from my pulpit by illness, even for a single service. This long-continued loss of sleep, however, has in a measure lessened my strength, making the work of this large parish increasingly burdensome. What is the wisest course to pursue under these circumstances, has been a serious question with me. Perhaps I might with propriety yield to the persuasion of several friends, and ask you to grant me a leave of absence, in the hope that a sea voyage of a month or more might bring me relief; but after much thought and earnest prayer for guidance, I have decided to tender to you to-day my resignation as your pastor, the same to take effect the last of September next. This will round out the ten years of happy and by the blessing of God, not unfruitful service among you, during which you have accorded to me and mine unbroken kindness and unfailing courtesy. Moreover, these intervening months will give you time to make diligent and prayerful search for the one minister of Jesus Christ best fitted to take up and carry forward the work that waits to be done in this historic church. What it has cost me to reach this decision is known only to my Saviour and myself. That the dear Lord may lead this beloved church into the green pasture and by the still waters of His infinite love causing its cup to overflow with the choicest temporal and spiritual blessings will be the daily prayer of your affectionate pastor and friend, THOMAS K. NOBLE.

Dr. Noble's plans for the future have not yet been perfected, but it is understood that he will take a trip abroad.

A COMPLETE ROUTE

Two Hours' Engagement at Manila Yesterday.

A FALSE TRUCE FLAG PRESENTED.

Strict Orders Have Been Issued to Give Full Protection to the Lives and Property of Foreign Residents as Far as Possible.

MANILA, March 8.—Detachments of General Hale's and General Wheaton's brigades were engaged for two hours yesterday morning clearing the country in front of their lines on both sides of the river, the enemy concentrating with the apparent purpose of cutting off the garrison at the waterworks. The rebels bolted at the first sign of the advance, but they separated into small bodies whenever the covert afforded opportunities and kept up a running fire. By a series of rapid advances, followed by flank movements, the enemy was completely routed as far out as Gualouque on the right and almost to Mariguina on the left. The casualties reported are Captain O'Brien of Company F, First Wyoming volunteers, and two men slightly wounded. The rebel loss was heavy. In the afternoon General Hale's brigade continued the work of driving out the rebels from the country between the reservoir and the waterworks, a distance of about three miles. The country is now clear on the left of the river, but the enemy is still in front of General Wheaton's line. Near San Pedro Macati they have been actively attempting to make the positions of the Sixth artillery on the hills untenable, their sharpshooters keeping up a constant fire all day. Private Lovejoy, Company C, Washington volunteers, was killed by a stray bullet. Major Bell, Seventh United States cavalry; Private Young, Company M, Twentieth infantry; Private Curran, Company H, Twentieth infantry, and Private Sparks, Company I, First Wyoming volunteers, were wounded yesterday. Yesterday morning the enemy in front of General Ovenshine's line sent out a flag of truce, but retired when Lieutenant Koehler, with two men, advanced to meet it. In the afternoon they again showed a white flag, and a general, with two officers and an interpreter, advanced. When the Americans were within about 200 yards of the rebel party, the latter dragged rifles from behind their backs and opened fire upon them, but fortunately without effect. Hawthorne's battery fired two shells, killing several of the enemy. In accordance with instructions to the land and naval forces a general order was issued yesterday directing the United States troops to give particular attention to the specific duty of furnishing full protection to the lives and property of all German, Austrian, Dutch, Italian and Portuguese residents, and with the co-operation of the resident German consul, to give aid and assistance wherever necessary. At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the temperature was 84 degrees F., but the heat is intense, especially on the lines.

President Will Rest.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The president has definitely decided to take a short trip south for rest, his destination being Thomasville, Ga., where he will be the guest of Senator Hanna. The president will be accompanied by Mrs. McKinley and some of their relatives who are at present stopping at the White House. It is the purpose of the president to make this trip one exclusively for rest, so he will make no speeches and hopes to be relieved of public attentions as much as possible.

All Quiet at Bluefields.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The state department has been cabled by Mr. Sorsby, our consul at San Juan del Norte, as follows: "Captain Symonds of the Marietta arrived from Bluefields. Reports Reyes left March 1 for Colombia. Revolution ended. Order prevails in Bluefields. All foreigners in Bluefields engaged in revolution previously entitled to protection of consulates left with passports March 2 for New Orleans. Bluefields commerce uninterrupted."

China Must Apologize to Italy.

ROME, March 8.—The Italian government is fully determined to obtain an apology from China for the tsung-li-yamen's refusal of the demand of Signor Martino, Italian minister at Peking, of a concession at San-Mun bay, province of Chehkiang, to be used as a naval base and coaling station. A squadron of five cruisers, with 100 guns and 1,500 men, will soon arrive at San-Mun bay.

Heaviest Snowfall of the Season.

MALONE, N. Y., March 8.—A heavy northeast storm prevailed throughout this section yesterday. Eight inches of snow fell. Previous to this the fields and roads had been bare, there having been scarcely any sleighing here this winter save in the Adirondacks. This is the heaviest snowfall of the season throughout northern New York.

India Patterns After Us.

CALCUTTA, March 8.—The government has decided to introduce in the legislative council on Friday a bill modeled on the United States act of July, 1897, giving the government power to impose a countervailing duty on bounty fed sugar imported into India.

Fleeing Burglar Killed.

CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis., March 8.—Bert Montana, while escaping from the police after committing a burglary yesterday, stole a handcar. Before getting out of town he collided with a Wisconsin Central limited and was ground to pieces.

Two Feet of Snow in Otsego County.

COOPERTOWN, N. Y., March 8.—Snow began falling here at 8 o'clock yesterday morning and fell steadily all day. It now lies about two feet on the level. There has been a gale, and the roads are badly blocked.

Praise For General Wood.

BOURNE, Mass., March 8.—The citizens of this place at their annual meeting passed resolutions commending General Leonard Wood, who came from Bourne.

Curfew Shall Ring in Geneva.

GENEVA, N. Y., March 8.—A curfew ordinance was passed by the common council at this place last night.

SCHLEY ANSWERED.

Secretary Long Reviews the Controversy.

FULL JUSTICE FOR THE NAVAL HEROES

Though Having Received Orders to Search For the Enemy at Santiago Schley Said He Could Not Obey and Started For Key West.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—The senate committee on naval affairs has made public Secretary Long's second letter in the Sampson-Schley controversy, this communication being in reply to Admiral Schley's letter. The first matter which the secretary takes up is Admiral Schley's mention of Admiral Sampson's letter of May 20, which the secretary says seems to have given certain senators the impression that the department has withheld that letter. On this point he says:

"First.—That this letter was not in the possession of the department on Feb. 6, nor was its existence known to the department at that time.

"Second.—That it was in the possession of Admiral Schley until the 9th of February, when it was sent to the department upon its request to be furnished with all official records relating to his duty as commander in chief of the flying squadron and as a flag officer in the north Atlantic fleet.

"Third.—That in its instructions with regard to maintaining the blockade of Cienfuegos it was not more explicit than the letter of Admiral Sampson of May 19, which accompanied the communication of the department of Feb. 6 and which is published in the appendix to the report of the bureau of navigation on page 464.

"Fourth.—That on May 21, the day after it was written, Admiral Sampson sent orders to Commodore Schley in duplicate by the Hawk and Marblehead, which orders were received by Commodore Schley during the early forenoon of the 23d and 24th respectively, directing Commodore Schley to proceed with all dispatch, but cautiously, to Santiago if satisfied that the Spanish squadron was not at Cienfuegos. The set of these orders sent by the Hawk was received on the same day as the letter of the 20th and bearing the later date, May 21, and of course revoked the instructions to blockade Cienfuegos contained in the letters of the 19th and 20th.

"Fifth.—That in obedience to these instructions the flying squadron left Cienfuegos on the afternoon of the 24th, but did not reach the immediate vicinity of the port of Santiago until the morning of the 29th of May."

The secretary quotes the admiral's reference to the department's order received by him on the 27th of May directing him to positively ascertain if Cervera's fleet was in Santiago harbor and not to allow him to leave. Santiago if found certainly to be there "without a decisive action," gives the admiral's reply in full and says:

"It will be seen that Rear Admiral Schley's statement to the senate does not show that he started to return to Key West and signaled to the squadron to that effect and so informed the department, and it might be inferred that he immediately obeyed that order and ascertained the presence of the enemy at Santiago. On the contrary, his telegram above, dated May 28 and written May 27, shows that, though having just received the telegram of the department and having on hand a sufficient supply of coal to return to Key West, he reported that he could not obey the order and continued to proceed toward Key West. However, it later became evident to him that this was unnecessary, and he resumed the movement toward Santiago."

Another point in Admiral Schley's letter is touched upon in the following manner:

"Admiral Schley's mention of the signal by Admiral Sampson at 8:45 a. m., July 3, 'Disregard movements of the commander in chief,' and his mention of the movement of the commander in chief toward Siboney is followed by an incorrect inference—to wit, 'This left me senior officer present and necessarily clothed me with the responsibilities of command.' The signal above mentioned is one which is frequently made in squadron and is never held as in any sense a relinquishment of command. It is made where its assigned position in formation, as was the case when the New York left her habitual blockading station on the morning of July 3. At such times it is made to avoid confusion which would result if other vessels fixing their positions by reference to the flagship were to move with her. Without further signal the responsibility of command would not be shifted until the senior officer had gone out of signal distance."

The statement concludes with the following: "The department furnishes the foregoing statement only to complete the record in compliance with the request of the senate of Jan. 23. Desiring to do Admirals Sampson and Schley full justice for services rendered, it has, after full consideration of all the circumstances, recommended to the president their promotion to the grade of rear admiral and begs to express the hope that his recommendations to the same effect may be confirmed by the senate."

Annexed to the letter from the secretary is one from Captain Sigbee in reply to Admiral Schley's reference to himself as commander of the scout steamer St. Paul, quoting him as authority for the opinion that Cervera's fleet was not in Santiago harbor. On this point Sigbee says:

"What I actually said to the admiral was that Pilot Nunez had first expressed a belief that such large vessels as Cervera's cruisers could not get into Santiago because of their length, but he afterward admitted that they might get in with the aid of tugs."

"Every officer on board the St. Paul knew that I believed Cervera to be at Santiago; nevertheless I considered Nunez's opinion."

"While I had not known from previous observation that Cervera's fleet was in Santiago, I believed that it was there, because I had been so informed by the navy department, and during the eight days the St. Paul remained off Santiago the different vessels touching there and communicating with me had brought no counter report from the navy department."

STILL SKIRMISHING.

Re-enforcements Are Being Landed at Manila.

AN AGGRESSIVE CAMPAIGN PLANNED.

Natives Secure More Smokeless Powder—Release of Spanish Prisoners Seems Doubtful—Negro Islanders Congratulate Miller.

MANILA, March 7.—The civil members of the United States Philippine commission, who arrived here on Saturday afternoon from Hongkong on the United States cruiser Baltimore, have landed and are now installed in quarters specially provided for them on the Malate water front. While awaiting the arrival of Colonel Charles Denby, former United States minister to China, the other civil members of the commission will devote their time to sightseeing and getting familiar with local conditions. Until Colonel Denby arrives the commission will be incomplete and can do nothing officially.

The troops which arrived on Saturday on the United States transport Senator and those that arrived Sunday on the transport Ohio are disembarking, and all the preparations are being made to proceed with an aggressive campaign before the wet season sets in.

The following order has been issued regarding the movements of transports:

"The Arizona will sail for San Francisco via Hongkong, with all the sick, on March 9; the Newport via Nagasaki, Japan, with all the returning officers and their wives, on March 10; the Scandia via Nagasaki, with discharged soldiers, on March 11, and the Morgan City via Nagasaki, on March 12.

The Spanish commissioners who are endeavoring to secure the release of the Spanish prisoners in the hands of Aguinaldo have returned to Malolos to offer \$2,000,000 for their release. As Aguinaldo has been demanding \$7,000,000 it is not likely that their mission will be successful.

An advance was made yesterday morning by General Hale's brigade on San Tolan and Mariguina. The Americans met with resistance from the largest body of the natives they have yet encountered.

The Colorado, Nebraska and Wyoming regiments, with eight guns; the Utah regiment and two companies of the Oregon regiment were engaged. A gunboat also took part in the fighting. The Twentieth infantry was held in reserve.

The fighting spread to General Wharton's brigade, consisting of the California, Washington and Idaho volunteer regiments and the Sixth artillery.

The natives were dislodged from their positions and compelled to retreat. Eight Americans were wounded.

General MacArthur's and General Hale's forces remain at the water works.

Negro Islanders Very Friendly.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—A cablegram from General Otis, at Manila, received in Washington yesterday indicates the satisfactory and agreeable reception accorded to the American troops which recently landed at the island of Negros. They were sent there by General Miller, at Iloilo, in command of Colonel Smith, to take formal possession for the United States, which he did without trouble. Previous to the time the troops landed a commission from the island visited General Otis and said they were willing to surrender and asked that he take the inhabitants under his protection. The congratulatory address to General Miller embodied in General Otis' dispatch is particularly gratifying to the officials of the administration, as they believe the attitude of the inhabitants of the island of Negros is such that there will be no trouble in dealing with them hereafter.

General Otis' dispatch is as follows: "Following from Iloilo, 4th inst.: 'Government, congress and inhabitants of Negros to General Miller, Iloilo: We affectionately salute you and congratulate ourselves for the happy arrival of Colonel Smith and troops under his orders and beg you to send this salute and congratulations to General Otis, Manila, as representative of the government of the United States in the Philippines. LACSON.'"

Kipling's Daughter Dead.

NEW YORK, March 7.—Josephine Kipling, the 6-year-old daughter of Rudyard Kipling, died at 6:20 o'clock yesterday morning at the home of Miss De Forest, 121 East Thirty-fifth street, where she had been ill for the past ten days. She was stricken with pneumonia a day or two after her father was laid low by the same disease at the Hotel Grenoble. The knowledge of the illness of little Josephine was carefully kept from Mr. Kipling. It was feared that the worry which would be occasioned him if he was told of it would perhaps result fatally to him, for he idolized his little daughter.

Storm Subsides in Colorado.

LEADVILLE, Colo., March 7.—The weather here is warm and clear, and the prediction is made that the backbone of the storm is broken. There have been only four days out of the past 56 on which it has not been snowing and blowing in the vicinity of Leadville. Around Twin Lakes the snow is six feet deep on the level, and in places for miles it is heaped to a height of 20 feet.

In Commemoration of the Bulgarians.

NEW YORK, March 7.—Mr. Emil L. Boas, the New York agent of the Hamburg-American line, received a cablegram yesterday from the home office stating that the company had contributed 20,000 marks to public charities in Hamburg in commemoration of the saving of the steamer Bulgaria.

Ice Blockade Lifted.

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., March 7.—The ice blockade which has shut in Provincetown harbor for the past few weeks has been broken, and the harbor is almost entirely clear of ice. No ice is visible from Race point, and the fishermen who have been held here have sailed.

The Entire Profits Taxed.

LONDON, March 7.—The court of appeal has upheld the decision of the lower court, ordering the Peter Schoenhofen brewery to pay income tax on the entire profits of the business in Chicago, and not merely on the portion remitted to England.

SPAIN'S NEW LEADER

Prime Minister Silvela Announces His Cabinet.

PROMISES TO REGENERATE COUNTRY

Cabinet Council Decides to Suppress Former Ministerial Opinions—Carlists Show Renewed Activity. Germany Wants Carolines.

MADRID, March 6.—The new cabinet has taken oath of office. The ministry is composed as follows: Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs—Senor Silvela. Minister of the Interior—Senor Dato. Minister of Finance—Marquis Villa Verde.

Minister of Justice—Senor Duran. Minister of War—General Polavieja. Minister of Public Works and of the Colonies—Marquis Pidal. Minister of Marine—Admiral Gomez Imaz.

It is expected that General Martinez

de Campos will become president of the senate.

The brother of Marquis Pidal, it is thought, will be chosen as president of the chamber of deputies.

There was some excitement in the cafes when the formation of the Silvela cabinet was announced. The "Marseillaise" was sung, and there were cheers for liberty.

Those who are in the immediate surroundings of Senor Silvela say his sole idea is to regenerate the country. He holds that the queen regent can ratify the treaty of peace with the United States without a vote of the chambers and that therefore their dissolution need not defer the ratification.

The cabinet council yesterday decided to suppress the opinions of all former ministers. Senor Silvela, the new premier, says the government has begun at the top in setting an example of economy.

The Carlists are showing signs of reviving activity. A band of 2,000 deserters from the Spanish army is now gathered near the French frontier, refusing to return to Spain, although the men have been pardoned. Carlist demonstrations, it is reported, have taken place at Valencia, but no details are procurable here.

Germany is said to have renewed the negotiations for the purchase of the Caroline Islands.

Landslide Causes Fatal Wreck.

HUNTINGDON, Pa., March 6.—The first section of the fast newspaper train, due here at 7 o'clock, was wrecked one mile east of this place yesterday morning by a landslide, which resulted from the heavy fall of rain. Engineer Robert McCutchin and Fireman J. C. Troce, both of Harrisburg, were instantly killed. They were caught under the debris of the demolished engine. McCutchin's body was burned beyond recognition. The tender of the engine was driven half through the express car, but its occupant, Express Messenger J. O. Matter, escaped injury. The passengers on the train were unhurt. Trackwalker Long made every effort to warn Engineer McCutchin of the peril, but the latter failed to see the signal until it was too late. Two freight trains were passing at the time, and several loaded cars in each train were wrecked.

The Pope Decidedly Better.

ROME, March 6.—His holiness, who rose at half past 10 yesterday, returned to bed at 1:30 p. m. He has resumed his ordinary diet, and his condition, mentally and physically, is good. He engaged his physicians in conversation and to their amazement, recited the entire last portion of the seventh canto of Dante's "Paradise," commenting upon various passages, as he proceeded. Professor Mazzoni afterward remarked, "He is indeed a marvelous man."

French Ambassador Returns.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Among the passengers who arrived on La Champagne last night were M. Jules Cambon, ambassador from France to the United States; Messrs. Malmayer, G. David and Captain de la Fajolle. La Champagne has on board 446,575 francs in specie consigned to various banks and bankers in New York.

Advance For Iron Workers.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 6.—The Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company has posted notices of an advance of wages of 2 1/2 cents a ton, taking effect March 1, the advance being caused by recent advance in iron. Another advance is expected by the miners in April.

Children Locked in Burning House.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 6.—A Post-Intelligencer special from Sedro Woolley says three small children of Mr. and Mrs. Rhinehart of Walker's Valley were burned to death. The children had been locked up in the house while the parents were at work in the woods.

Wages Rise in West Virginia.

WHEELING, March 6.—Commencing March 12 a 10 per cent increase of wages goes into effect in every department of the Riverside iron and steel plants here. About 3,000 men are affected.

MURDERED HIS FAMILY.

A Kansas Man Confesses to Having Killed His Wife and Children.

EMPORIA, Kan., March 7.—John Gilbert, in his cell in the county jail, has confessed to brutally murdering his wife and four small children near Enterprise, Kan., on last Tuesday. Gilbert, for whom a reward had been offered, was arrested here on Sunday. He feigned not to know of the crime and at first shammed insanity. Finally, hard pressed by Sheriff O'Connor, Gilbert confessed the crime, going into details.

Gilbert said he was badly in debt and had been trying to leave Enterprise for a long time. He could not take his family, he said, and offered his wife a divorce. "She kept nagging me about the children," said Gilbert, "and throwing them up to me. I told my wife if she would give me \$10 I'd leave and never bother her any more. During the night I got up and went out into the yard. Coming back, I picked up the hammer and hit the baby in the head. My wife ran out into the road and was going over to the neighbors. I ran after and caught her. She said she'd come back if I would behave, and I thought I would go. But when we got in, why, the baby was thrashing about on the bed, and when I saw it I could not hold myself, but hit my wife on the head and pounded her till she could not move, and then took the children." "When asked why he did it, Gilbert said: "I don't know. It seemed like I just could not help it after seeing the baby there on the bed."

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Embassador and Mrs. Choate have been the guests of Queen Victoria.

There was no quorum at Harrisburg. Quay got 11 votes, Jenks 8 and Tubbs 1.

Indians in Alaska have shot government reindeer, mistaking them for wild game.

Considerable damage has been done by spring freshets in Ohio and Pennsylvania.

The president has appointed Frederick H. Wines to be assistant director of the census.

The big ice gorge at Dana's Point, below Albany, has given way, and all fear of a freshet is removed.

Mrs. Sarah Stevenson, mother of former Vice President Stevenson, is dead at Bloomington, Ill., aged 90 years.

Incendiarists attempted to destroy the home of D. S. Yeoman at Monticello, N. Y. Fire was started in eleven places.

The army beef court of inquiry has quite finished its work in Washington and will go to Chicago to inspect the packing plants.

A prisoner in charge of a deputy sheriff on the New York Central fast mail jumped from the window of a car north of Hudson and it is believed was killed.

Many Desire Army Positions.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Secretary Alger was fairly overrun yesterday by congressional callers, nearly every one of whom had one or more candidates for appointment in the regular or volunteer army under the terms of the reorganization act. It is a safe estimate that 75 per cent of the officers in the present volunteer army are anxious to remain in the service. The secretary, in answer to a question, said that he had not yet been able to make any selections for appointment. There is some doubt whether appointment of officers for the volunteer branch of the service under the new law will not have to be deferred indefinitely—that is, until such time as the volunteer regiments have been actually recruited.

Business Prosperity Reported.

ALBANY, March 7.—Reports received by State Factory Inspector O'Leary from his deputies clearly indicate that the wave of prosperity and improvement in trade conditions in this state is still moving along steadily and very satisfactorily. The report of the department begins on Dec. 1 of each year and for the month of December, 1898, shows a total of 9,600 inspections made by them. Of this number 373 were found to be new firms in business, and 100 were old firms which had resumed business. It was found that 1,119 firms increased the number of their employees. The total increase of employees from all causes is 13,352.

Commander Wainwright's Picture.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., March 7.—The picture of Lieutenant Commander Richard Wainwright, U. S. N., which was presented to the city by Mrs. Wainwright has been received by Mayor French. The portrait, which is three-quarters life size, will be hung in the mayor's room, together with the first American flag raised in Porto Rico, which was given to the city by the cruiser Gloucester.

Lake Shore Collision.

DUNKIRK, N. Y., March 7.—Train No. 10 on the Lake Shore railway collided with a switching engine at Westfield yesterday morning. Both engines were totally wrecked, but the engineers and firemen of both escaped without serious injuries. One mail car was overturned, but the clerks escaped serious wounds. Other coaches of the train remained on the track. Twelve passengers were injured.

Making Rifles For Argentina.

LITTLE FALLS, N. Y., March 7.—The Remington Arms company of Ilion, N. Y., has commenced work on a contract for 32,000 rifles and carbines and 10,000 bayonets for the Argentine Republic. The firm employs about 1,000 skilled mechanics and the plant is run 12 1/2 hours per day with the regular shotgun and bicycle work. The Remington firm now enjoys the greatest period of prosperity in its history.

Mohawk River Overflows.

AMSTERDAM, N. Y., March 7.—The ice in the Mohawk river broke up yesterday, and the water overflowed its banks in many places. Some of the knitting mills located along the stream have been obliged to shut down in consequence of the high water. Dwellings and business places on Erie street are surrounded by ice and water.

Lord Herschell's Remains.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—The body of Lord Herschell, who died here last week, was taken to New York on the midnight train of the Pennsylvania railroad last night, whence it is to be taken to England on the English cruiser Talbot. Messrs. Cartwright and Williamson, the secretaries, accompanied the remains.

SITUATION IN CUBA.

General Brooke Says Santiago Gets Her Share of Funds.

CUBAN ARMY AWAITS PAYMASTER.

Spanish Laborers Emigrate to Santo Domingo—Santiago Press Advises Cubans to Turn Bandits as the Only Way to Get Their Rights.

HAVANA, March 6.—Governor General Brooke, referring to the complaints made at Santiago that a large number of laborers had been thrown out of work by an apparent reduction in the financial allotment to Santiago province, says that the funds furnished the several provinces by the authorities at Havana have in all cases been equal to the respective requisitions.

General Maximo Gomez has sent Governor General Brooke by the hands of Inspector General Roloff of the Cuban army a statement of the number of men in the army. It is understood that the total reaches 45,000—32,000 privates, 10,000 noncommissioned officers and the rest commissioned officers from major generals to subalterns. About 10,000 privates enlisted in 1895, 8,000 in 1896, 4,000 in 1897 and 8,000 in 1898. In the cases of 2,000 the enlistment date is not known. These general statements are insufficient as a basis for the payment, and a more detailed list of the various commands, with the names and whereabouts of the soldiers, is necessary. This, it is understood, General Gomez will supply.

General Brooke has received a telegram from Washington saying that paymasters with the \$3,000,000 will reach Havana this week. It is not likely that any trouble will arise in connection with the actual payment which the American authorities cannot circumvent.

In Manzanillo Spanish laborers are unable to obtain employment on plantations owned by Cubans, the owners refusing to give them work because of their nationality. Three hundred have migrated to the island of Santo Domingo, and dispatches received from there say that they have found work and that there is room for 4,000 more.

Many, however, prefer to remain in Cuba. Certain Spaniards in Havana are making arrangements for a transfer to Pinar del Rio, where General Williston, the military governor, who favors the idea, will co-operate in the undertaking.

It is said that Senor Jose Lanusa, secretary of justice in the government general's advisory cabinet, is preparing an amnesty decree for General Brooke's approval releasing all against whom prosecutions are pending for alleged political offenses.

The newspapers assert that some of the regulations drafted for the new police force are contrary to existing civil and criminal law and that confusion will surely result when the two systems come into conflict. The rule allowing a policeman to enter a dwelling house when pursuing an offender is especially criticised.

The Cuban Industrial Relief fund of New York is establishing its first station at Guines. La Union, a local paper there, devotes two pages to public endorsements of the plan.

Cubans Must Become Bandits.

SANTIAGO, Cuba, March 6.—El Porvenir, discussing the situation brought about by the orders from Havana limiting the total expenditure in the departments of the provincial administration to \$10,000, says: "There is only one course open to men who are without work and food—namely, to become banditti. Hunger demands bread. The proceedings of the United States authorities at Havana are evidently antagonistic to Major General Wood and born of jealousy of his success and popularity among all classes of Cubans. Three thousand men have been thrown out of employment at only a day's notice, which must mean a serious menace to public peace and property."

Two Important Bills.

ALBANY, March 6.—Two measures which have been made party measures are expected to make their appearance in the senate this week, and because of the doubt as to their fate the New York police bills and the concurrent resolution for an amendment to the constitution to provide for biennial sessions of the legislature are now the topics of most absorbing interest before the legislature. The bills will probably be reported to the senate on Wednesday. They will then have to lie upon the desks of the senators for three days, so that it is improbable that the bills will come up for discussion this week. As three Republican senators bolted the caucus last Thursday night it is quite probable that they will pass, as the vote of all except one Republican senator is required. Should they pass they will then go to the mayor of the city, and he is permitted to hold them for two weeks. The biennial sessions resolution seems doomed to the same fate, for at the caucus last Wednesday two senators bolted the caucus.

Still the Wages Go Up.

PHILADELPHIA, March 6.—Wages of all day laborers in the tin plate plants of the Newcastle district have been advanced from 5 to 10 per cent. The advance will affect between 1,200 and 1,500 men. The Reese Hammond Brick Manufacturing company, at Jeannette, has advanced the wages of its 250 employees from 5 to 20 per cent, and the Williamsport Nail company has made a 10 per cent advance.

High Water in the James River.

RICHMOND, March 6.—The water in the James river is up 29 feet at Columbia and is still rising. There is a heavy flush here, and all fears are entertained of a disastrous flood today when the up country waters come down. Merchants in the lower part of the city are removing their goods.

Weather Probabilities.

Fair; colder; brisk to high northwesterly winds, diminishing during the day.

FEEDING THE CUBANS

Requisition For Food Doubled Since Jan. 1.

TWO MILLION RATIONS FOR MARCH

It Is Difficult to Discriminate Between Impostors and Those Really Needy—Riots in Porto Principe. Workmen Idle in Santiago.

HAVANA, March 7.—For the month of March the various provinces, excepting the province of Santiago, have made requisition for 2,000,000 rations. Thus instead of diminishing, the requisition has doubled since that of Jan. 1. This is due partly to the fact that the Cubans use every possible opportunity of getting rations under false pretenses and partly to the fact that the American distributors are unable to discriminate properly between impostors and the really necessitous. Indeed, the Americans are almost in a position of having to give to anybody who looks poor. The requisition for the province of Havana for March is 650,000 rations. Major General Ludlow has given the strictest orders that the distributors in Havana shall, so far as possible, give only to persons really ill, utterly unable to work or of advanced age, and that applicants who are proven guilty of misrepresenting their condition shall be severely punished.

The supply ship Comal, with 1,000,000 rations, will proceed to Matanzas and Nuevitas to unload them.

The Cuban military assembly held a third secret session yesterday, a guard being placed around the house where the meeting was held and the public being rigorously excluded from the precincts. The assumption is that the mysterious \$12,000,000 proposal fathered by Senor Farres is still under discussion. General Maximo Gomez ignores the assembly. With the disarming of the army the assembly's functions will disappear. It is rumored that the members are considering an early dissolution, but are trying to gain further notoriety before the assembly ceases to exist.

In some of the political clubs talk still continues in favor of forming a political party under the leadership of General Gomez with the specific object of leading Cuba to the independence not yet attained.

An unconfirmed report is in circulation of riotous disturbances by Cubans at Puerto Principe.

La Discusion publishes an alleged interview with Major General Wilson, military governor of Matanzas, which represents him as saying to the Cuban general Pedro Betancourt that he expects to leave Cuba soon and that therefore the work of appointing new civil administrators for the province must be hastened.

Jose Maria Gomez has been appointed civil governor of Santa Clara.

Major General Lee will have a review of the Seventh army corps tomorrow in honor of Admiral Sampson and other naval officers. There are now 68 cases of typhoid fever in the corps, an increase of seven since the last official report.

At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon the temperature in Havana was at 71 degrees F.

Work May Be Resumed.

SANTIAGO, Cuba, March 7.—Orders have been received from Havana directing the payment of provincial officials, but these do not affect the 2,000 laborers out of work nor meet the fact that the public works already initiated are suffering seriously from lack of prosecution. Civil Governor Demetrio Castillo, as a precaution against a possible disturbance, has sent word to the working gangs that they should stay where they are for the present, as in all probability they will have orders to return to work in the course of two or three days. He further explains that the delay was merely the result of "red tape" in the relations between Santiago and Havana, asserting that Major General Wood, the military governor, thinks it quite probable that his estimate will be accepted by cable.

A Girl Poisoner.

PAWTUCKET, R. I., March 7.—In the district court at Central Falls yesterday Adeline Harvey, aged 14, was arraigned before Judge Goff on a warrant charging her with mixing poison in the food of her father, James B. Harvey, with intent to kill him. She pleaded guilty. She was held to the grand jury in the sum of \$1,000 and was sent to the reform school to await the action of that body. It is claimed that the father thwarted the wishes of the girl and thus incurred her hatred.

Automatic Couplings in England.

LONDON, March 7.—The British Railway association has arranged to send five prominent railway officials to the United States to investigate the facts upon which the government bases the bill compelling the adoption of automatic couplings, a measure which would give the board of trade power five years from its adoption to compel British railroads to supply the whole of their rolling stock with this device at an estimated cost of £10,000,000.

Senator Jones Has a Relapse.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—After improving steadily for about ten days Senator J. K. Jones of Arkansas yesterday had a severe recurrence of his trouble, the paroxysm lasting something over an hour. Last night he rested easily and was free from pain. His physician attributes the attack to the senator exerting himself in trying to attend to some pressing matters and has issued positive instructions that no one shall be allowed to see him for an indefinite period.

Examination Before Promotion.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Secretary Long has called to Admiral Dewey at Manila and to Rear Admiral Sampson at Havana announcing the enactment of the naval personnel bill and instructing them to have the officers attached to their respective fleets examined physically in order to make ready for their rearrangement and promotions.

Puddlers' Wages Advanced.

HOLLIDAYSBURG, Pa., March 7.—The puddlers employed in the Portage Iron works at Duncansville have been granted an increase of 25 cents per ton. All other employees are allowed a 10 per cent increase in wages. This advance affects 500 men.

BIG APPROPRIATIONS

The Fifty-fifth Congress Makes a Record.

TWO STATEMENTS OF THE CASE.

Cannon Says the Increase of \$40,000,000 Was Natural and Necessary. Dockery Speaks of Extravagance—Predicts Large Deficit.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The official statement of Representative Joseph G. Cannon of Illinois, the chairman of the house appropriations committee, summing up the appropriations of the Fifty-fifth congress, shows an aggregate appropriation by the entire congress of \$1,566,890,016 and for the session just closed a total of \$673,658,400, with authority for contracts subject to future appropriations amounting to \$70,000,000. Chairman Cannon's statement in full follows:

"The appropriations made at the session of congress just closed amount approximately to \$673,658,400 and show an apparent reduction of \$219,573,000 under the appropriations made at the preceding session. This is attributable to the large expenses occasioned by the war with Spain that were provided for during the preceding session.

"The entire appropriations made by the Fifty-fifth congress aggregate \$1,566,890,016.28. Of this sum \$482,562,083.47 is directly chargeable to our late war with Spain or incident thereto. Deducting this charge from the whole amount of the appropriations, the remainder, \$1,084,327,932.81, represents the ordinary or normal appropriations made by the Fifty-fifth congress.

"The appropriations made by the preceding congress, the Fifty-fourth, amounted to \$1,044,580,273.87. A comparison shows an increase in ordinary appropriations made by this congress over those made by that congress, the Fifty-fourth, of \$39,747,000, but this apparent increase is more than accounted for by increases under eight items alone—namely, for pensions, \$4,000,000; for the postal service, \$16,000,000; for rivers and harbors, including work under contracts previously authorized,



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\$3,600,000; for new ships for the navy, \$8,000,000; for beginning the work of the twelfth census, \$1,000,000; for the Paris exposition, \$1,200,000; for new public buildings, including the building for the department of justice and for site and partial construction of the new government printing office, about \$5,000,000, and for payment of judgments rendered against the government on account of French spoliation and under the Bowman act, \$3,100,000.

"These very natural and necessary increases in public expenditures—one on account of the pension list, the growth of the postal service in response to the demands of commerce, the improvement of the great waterways of the country and for increase of the navy, the construction of needed buildings to accommodate the government service in the cities of the country, the taking of the census, the participation of the nation in the great exposition to be held at Paris next year and the payment of the French spoliation judgments and Bowman act cases so long considered by and pressed upon congress—aggregate \$39,900,000, more than dissipating the entire apparent increase in the ordinary appropriations by this congress over those made by the Fifty-fourth congress.

"In addition to the direct appropriations made at this session contracts were authorized, subject to future appropriations to be made by congress, amounting to about \$70,000,000. Of this amount \$44,000,000 is for additional ships for the navy, \$22,500,000 is for work on rivers and harbors, and something over \$3,000,000 is for public buildings.

Mr. Dockery of Missouri, the ranking Democratic member of the house appropriations committee, made the following statement giving the Democratic view:

"This congress easily surpasses all its predecessors in the stupendous aggregate of its appropriations. It was thought that the Fifty-first congress, commonly known as the 'billion dollar congress,' had in point of extravagance of appropriations touched a limit which would not be reached or at least surpassed by any of its successors.

"This congress, however, has far exceeded the appalling total appropriations then made, and it will be remembered that the billion dollar congress was followed by overwhelming disaster to the Republican party at the ensuing election.

"Confronted with a war with Spain, requiring the imposition of additional revenue, it is obvious that rigid economy should have been applied in all other directions to the expenditure of public money. The people were willing to meet all the demands upon the national treasury made necessary by the Spanish war, but it is fair to assume that they exceed their reports in view of the cheerful disposition manifested to meet these added burdens to limit the ordinary appropriations to the necessities of a wise and economical administration. These expectations have not been realized.

"The result is an actual deficiency in current revenues amounting on the 1st of this month to \$99,109,554.50. This deficiency, as shown by a recent conservative estimate by Chairman Cannon of the appropriations committee, will probably reach \$159,000,000 on the 30th of June next.

"Notwithstanding this deplorable treasury situation, which has been called over and over again to the attention of congress and the country appropriations have been made which in many cases have not been warranted by the interests of the public service or

CHARGES OF BRIBERY

Keystone Legislative Committee Takes Testimony.

BIG PAY FOR M'CARRELL BILL VOTES.

Some Sensational Revelations Made by Witnesses Before the Investigating Commission at Harrisburg—A Vote Worth \$1,000.

HARRISBURG, March 8.—A meeting of the committee to inquire into the charges of bribery in connection with the passage of the McCarrell jury bill in the house was held last evening and developed some sensational testimony.

The first witness called was Colonel George Nox McCain, staff correspondent at Harrisburg of the Philadelphia Press. Mr. McCain said that Peter J. Criste, representative from Northumberland county, told him that he was approached by an individual and told that it would be worth \$1,000 to him to vote for the reconsideration of the bill. Subsequently he admitted to the witness that it was ex-representative Thomas Moyles of Wilkesbarre, who said he wanted the bill to become a law as it would help him out in a case in Luzerne county in which he was a defendant.

John P. Dwyer, also of the Press, testified that Representative John Engler of Lycoming county told him that he met Michael J. Costello, a former resident of Williamsport, and escorted him to the Bolton House, Harrisburg, where they met ex-Senator John J. Coyle of Schuylkill county. Mr. Coyle told Engler that he understood he was a Roman Catholic and asked him to vote for the bill because Archbishop Ryan wanted it to become a law. Witness said Coyle told Engler he would pay him \$500 to vote for the bill and put his hand in his pocket and said he would give him \$200 at once. Coyle said he used to do this when he was a member of the legislature and that if Engler would go along on this bill he would "put him in" on several other bills and that he could make more on the outside than his salary as a member of the house. Mr. Engler refused to accept the money and left Coyle.

Engler testified that Costello met him at the Bolton House and took him to a room at the Lochiel hotel and introduced him to ex-Senator Coyle. Costello left the room, and Coyle asked the witness how he felt on the McCarrell bill. Coyle said he used to be in the legislature and that he took everything that came his way. Engler corroborated Dwyer's testimony as to Coyle's alleged offer of \$200 to vote for the bill and to pay the balance when the witness voted and that if Engler would go along on this bill he would take him in on five or six other bills.

Mr. Criste said he knew Moyles and was a member of the house with him in 1893. Moyles told witness that there were "three" in it if he would vote for the bill. Moyles said the witness subsequently asked him to vote for the reconsideration of the bill. Moyles was under indictment in Luzerne county for conspiracy and said he was anxious to have the bill passed. About this time ex-Senator Coyle came in and said to witness, "You vote for the McCarrell bill and leave the rest to me." An hour later Moyles called Criste out into the hallway and urged him to move for the reconsideration of the McCarrell bill. Moyles told Criste what to say when he made the motion and promised if he would make the motion there would be \$1,000 in it for the witness.

Criste told Moyles to write out what he wished him to say when he made the motion, and while he was doing so the bill came up, and Criste went into the house and voted to adjourn to prevent a reconsideration of the bill. Mr. Criste said that after the adjournment Coyle came to him and told him he had made a mistake in not voting for the bill and that "the fellows over there" (pointing to the insurgents,) the witness said "were being taken care of." This remark created general laughter.

A Strike in the Klondike.
SKAGWAY, March 2, via Victoria, B. C., March 8.—Seven hundred of the 1,400 laborers employed on the construction work of the White Pass-Yukon road are on a strike as the result of a reduction of wages from 35 to 30 cents an hour and an increase in work to ten hours a day. After the men struck all others were laid off for a few days. Fire in Dyea last night destroyed the Palace and Northern hotels, the Chilkoot tram stables, the Senate saloon and the court-house; loss, \$12,000. There was no fire apparatus.

Settlement Near.
PARIS, March 8.—The following semi-official note was issued last evening: "A satisfactory settlement between France and Great Britain of the questions arising out of the Fashoda incident may be expected within a fortnight. The delimitation of the respective territories has so far advanced that the starting points and general direction of the frontier have already been arranged, and Great Britain has admitted that France is entitled to a commercial outlet on the Nile."

Canadian Band Coming Too.
MONTREAL, March 8.—The Fifth Royal Scots band of this city have accepted an invitation to go to New York about March 25 to participate in the musical portion of a peace congress to be held there, in which Dan Godfrey's band and the Seventh New York regiment bands are to take part.

Rome City Election.
ROME, N. Y., March 8.—At the city election yesterday Abner White (Dem.) was elected mayor by 160 majority over Dr. W. L. Kingsley (Rep.). The common council will stand 12 Democrats and 5 Republicans. Last spring the council stood 11 Democrats and 6 Republicans.

Another Ballot in Utah.
SALT LAKE CITY, March 8.—The legislature in joint assembly yesterday discussed the report made by the bribery committee. A ballot resulted as follows: King, 6; McCune, 26; Cannon, 9; Nebeker, 3; Powers, 3; Henderson (Dem.), 1; Sutherland, 13; Widener, 3.

Stolen Bonds Found.
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Clerk Joseph R. Taylor read the call, which was approved, and John H. Light offered the resolutions for the annual appropriations, which were voted as follows:

Fire department,	\$ 2,300.00
Street department,	9,000.00
Health department,	500.00
Library department,	1,500.00
Lights department,	6,000.00
Administrative department,	14,175.00

As soon as the appropriations were made Mr. Light offered a resolution laying a 6 mill tax. J. Donovan offered an amendment making it 5 mills.

A discussion arose as to the amount of money the latter tax would raise, and the discovery was made that even a 6 mill tax would fall some \$600 short of raising the necessary amount. The amendment was rejected and a 6 mill tax voted, as was a 4 mill library tax.

This concluded the business, and the question of selecting three members of the consolidation committee followed.

Mr. S. C. Palmer was recognized and offered the following resolution.

Whereas, At the annual town meeting held last Monday evening, a resolution was passed authorizing the two cities and the different school and fire districts to appoint a committee to prepare a charter consolidating the whole town of Norwalk, and to report the same at an adjourned meeting; the city of South Norwalk being requested to appoint three members of said committee, and whereas, we, the voters of the city of South Norwalk, in city meeting assembled for the purpose of considering the question of consolidation and the appointment of said committee are of the opinion that it is impracticable and undesirable to consolidate the whole town into one city under existing conditions, and we oppose such consolidation, and whereas, we are of the opinion that the benefits claimed for a consolidation charter for the whole town would be secured with more certainty and less friction by so extending the boundaries of the two cities, as to take in the entire territory of the town, and we desire this form of consolidation.

Therefore resolved, that Alden Solmans, Robert H. Rowan and Jeremiah Donovan be and they hereby are appointed to act on said committee as representatives of the city, and they are hereby instructed to advocate and carry out the opinions of the voters of this city, as expressed in the preamble to this resolution.

Mr. Palmer took the floor and addressed the meeting upon the resolution. He was in favor of a division of the town, and characterized consolidation as "municipal suicide" on the part of South Norwalk. His remarks were anything but complimentary to the upper end of the town.

No one spoke against the resolution, or in favor of consolidation, and the resolution was adopted with but two or three dissenting voices.

The announcement of the vote was received with great applause, and the meeting was then declared adjourned.

Over River School District.

That the residents of the Over River School district are very much in earnest in reference to consolidation, was manifest at the special meeting of the district held Saturday evening at the school-house to elect a representative of the district to serve on the committee of twenty-one, which committee is to prepare a bill to be presented to the General Assembly, in the matter of consolidation of the several sections of the town.

Hon. E. O. Keeler acted as chairman of the meeting and A. E. Austin filled the duties of clerk.

After the meeting opened a recess of five minutes was taken.

On the reconvening of the same the chair appointed H. P. Price and Francis McKeon, tellers.

The candidates placed in nomination were, Messrs. Arthur C. Wheeler, Samuel L. Weed, Henry W. Gregory and W. J. Tracey.

Four ballots were taken before a choice was announced. On the third ballot Mr. Wheeler scored 39 votes as did also Mr. Weed. On the fourth ballot Mr. Weed received 48 votes to Mr. Wheeler's 40 and was declared the choice of the meeting.

He was instructed to vote for consolidation.

North Center District.

Many speeches pro and con were made. The sense of the meeting was that the representative was not sent to

vote for or against consolidation, but to help draw up a charter, therefore no instructions could be given. The condition of the school house was then discussed and it was decided to call a special meeting to look into it. The motion to adjourn was then in order.

Although the attendance at the North Center School was not very large great interest was shown by those present.

Clerk Percy Glendening called the meeting to order and Franklin Gregory was chosen chairman.

E. S. Adams, Homer Merrill and James Toner were nominated for representatives. After eleven ballots James Toner won.

Mr. Toner said that if he was instructed he would vote according to instructions, otherwise he would oppose consolidation.

Center School District.

There was a very small attendance at the meeting of the Center school district in the Center School Monday night on account of the city meeting.

There was some discussion among those present as to what constituted a quorum. Gen. Olmstead gave the opinion that any number present was a quorum. At 7:30 o'clock clerk A. V. Heath read the call and C. N. Wood was chosen chairman.

John Hanlon nominated Joseph A. Gray as a member of the committee.

Louis C. Green nominated George M. Holmes.

Chairman Wood appointed John Hanlon teller.

There were fifteen votes cast as follows:

G. M. Holmes	11
J. A. Gray	5

On motion of John Hanlon the selection was declared unanimous.

J. A. Gray moved to adjourn and the motion was carried at 7:38 o'clock.

Winnipauk School District.

The Winnipauk School district was called to order by Andrew Hutchinson. The call being read Mr. Hutchinson was elected a member of the consolidation committee. It was voted to instruct him to oppose consolidation after remarks had been made by David Pollard and J. C. Randle.

East Norwalk School District.

John J. Walsh presided at the East Norwalk School district meeting and George F. Benedict performed the duties of clerk. After reading the call J. J. Walsh was chosen as the member of the consolidation committee, and the meeting refused to adopt a resolution instructing against consolidation.

Cranbury District.

The largest crowd present at a school meeting in Cranbury in four years, assembled to vote to elect a member to the consolidation committee on last Monday night.

Clerk William T. Gregory read the roll and John B. Gregory was chosen chairman.

Charles Reynolds then made a speech against consolidation, putting forth all advantages and disadvantages.

The only candidates were Charles E. Gregory and E. L. Gregory. E. L. Gregory was elected.

Mr. Gregory asked for instructions and by a vote of 25 to 3 he was instructed to oppose consolidation.

East Norwalk District.

The East Norwalk fire district meeting was presided over by J. J. Walsh with E. H. Gumbart clerk.

The call was read and J. J. Walsh was elected a member of the consolidation committee but declined, and the meeting elected Dr. F. B. Baker, Leo Davis and Edward F. Smith.

The meeting also instructed its committee to vote against consolidation.

Union School District.

Immediately after the city meeting, the South Norwalk Union School district meeting was called to order by A. Blanchard, and C. Swartz elected chairman and Frederick H. Quintard secretary.

The secretary read the call, and at its close J. Donovan presented a similar resolution to that offered by Mr. Palmer in the city meeting, excepting that A. Blanchard and S. C. Palmer were named as members of the consolidation committee.

The resolution was passed and the meeting adjourned.

Rowayton's Member.

At the district meeting in Rowayton, Saturday night, Edward Dibble was elected as the member of the consolidation committee from that district.

Mr. Dibble was not instructed to vote against consolidation as has been erroneously reported. The meeting voted no instructions whatever.

Opposed Consolidation.

At the meeting of the Middle Five Mile River School District, Monday night, sixteen voters were present, and fifteen of the number declared themselves as opposed to consolidation and one in favor of it. Albert Davis was chairman of the meeting, and William H. Tristram was clerk. The delegate chosen to represent the district and present the matter before the committee of twenty-one was Dudley E. Hoyt, who received more than the two-thirds vote of those present.

William Hawkins, of West Main street, is spending several days at Islip, Long Island, transacting business.

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A Complete List of Those Chosen From the Several Districts.

The following is a complete list of the gentlemen named by the several districts to draw up a charter for consolidation, excepting West Norwalk whose nominee has not as yet been ascertained.

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Levi Warner,
Frederick Buckley.

CITY OF SOUTH NORWALK.
Alden Solmans,
Robert H. Rowan,
Jeremiah Donovan.

FIRE DISTRICT OF EAST NORWALK.
Dr. F. B. Baker,
Leo Davis,
F. B. Smith.

UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT.
S. C. Palmer,
A. Blanchard.

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James Toner.

CRANBURY.
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Mr. G. M. Holmes, who was elected at the Center school district meeting, has resigned on account of personal reasons, and his successor will have to be chosen later.

Went Home to End his Life.

John F. Erbe, jr., who went to Stamford several days ago, to be treated at a local sanitarium, left there Monday for his home in Southington. He left the train at Plantsville, and walked the remainder of the distance to his home, about one mile. Several people saw him and noticed nothing unusual in his appearance or behavior. Upon entering his home he went to his bedroom, and, at 5:30, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head with a revolver. He was thirty-nine years old. He had been sick about ten weeks with grip, and was delirious much of the time until within five weeks.

Danbury's Tax Rate.

The town of Danbury laid a 7 1/2 mill tax, Monday, and the News says: "It was said in the City hall that a petition would probably be circulated, asking the selectmen to call another town meeting and change the tax rate. It is estimated that with the utmost care the city must go into debt not less than \$30,000 unless the tax rate is changed from 7 1/2 to 10 mills. The town is already carrying a debt of \$154,000 and it was hoped to reduce that amount this year rather than to increase it, although that hope, even with a 10 mill tax, was slight."

Frank A. Ferris Will Speak.

Mr. Frank A. Ferris will give an address on "Hospital Work" at the March meeting of the Central Union of King's Daughters next Saturday at 3:30 p. m. in the chapel of the First church. Those who have had the privilege of hearing Mr. Ferris speak will be glad of this opportunity to listen to him again, on this topic. He is a fluent and enthusiastic speaker and never fails to interest.

Attachments.

George A. Honnecker of Jersey City has caused an attachment for \$500 to be placed on property in East Norwalk belonging to Carrie A. Behrings. The writ was served by Deputy sheriff Lyon and is made returnable to the Common Pleas court in Danbury.

Raymond Brothers have caused an attachment for \$500 placed on property belonging to A. T. Saunders.

Commencement Exercises.

The senior class of the Center High School has decided to hold its commencement exercises on Wednesday evening, April 12. The members of the class are Miss Emily E. Mott, Miss Hattie Keith, Miss Daisy Williams, Miss Edith Huntington, Edward Miller and Harry G. Davis. The exercises will be held in the Norwalk Congregational church.

To Visit Soldiers' Home.

The Legislative committee on appropriations will visit Fitch's Home for the Soldiers on Saturday and will hold a hearing there on the subject of the several appropriations asked for by the Soldiers' Hospital Board.

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Nearly a Murder and Suicide.

South Norwalk came very near having a murder and suicide on its hands on Sunday, and but for the prompt action of Dr. J. M. Coburn two lives would have passed to the beyond, and all on account of the brutal actions of a husband and father.

As officer Hall was patrolling his beat about 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon he was approached by Leopold Roice, a shoemaker, living at 37 Water street, who informed him that his wife, Anthonia, had attempted to take her life and that of her infant with laudanum.

The officer at once notified Dr. Coburn, who promptly responded and found the mother conscious but no signs of life in the infant. He administered an emetic to both and succeeded in making Mrs. Roice eject the poison, but as the little child was but six months old his efforts in her direction were not as satisfactory and he called in Dr. A. N. Clark, and together the two physicians worked over the baby until respiration was restored.

Roice and his wife have had several quarrels of late, but on Sunday morning they quarreled worse than ever, and it is said the husband accused the wife of infidelity and charged that the infant was not his. To put on the finishing touch Roice told his wife to take the baby and get out and he would care for the others.

This was more than the poor woman could bear, and she determined to end her life and that of the infant.

About half past nine o'clock Mrs. Roice sent her nine year old daughter Theresa to Finch's drug store on Washington street for ten cents worth of laudanum. As the child had previously visited the store for medicine for her mother the poison was given her and she carried it home.

Mrs. Roice emptied the laudanum into a glass, and giving the child another dime, sent her to Tomlinson's drug store, on North Main street, for more. Clerk Goldschmidt seeing Finch's label on the bottle supposed everything was all right and filled the order.

This Mrs. Roice also poured out into the glass.

As Roice made no effort to heal the quarrel at noon, Mrs. Roice took her baby and going into her room drank a little more than half the poison herself and administered the remainder to the baby from a bottle upon which she had placed a nipple.

Her act was discovered by Roice shortly afterward, and he ran next door and summoned Mrs. Richard Fay, who came in and took the bottle from the baby and threw it out of the window.

Roice in the meantime notified the police as stated above. When the facts were communicated to Chief Volme he visited the scene and placed Mrs. Roice under arrest and left Officer Reardon in charge. Should the infant die the poor mother would probably be charged with infanticide.

Mrs. Roice has practically recovered and the child is in a fair way of recovery.

Mrs. S. H. Edwards, of Pater N. J., has been a guest of Mrs. George R. McGonegal, of West avenue.

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