PLATTSMOUTH, NEB., APRIL 13, 1900.

British Claim It Is Not Difficult to Stand Off Boers.

BURGHER MOVEMENTS REPORTED

Langers Scattered All Over the Scene of Military Operations-No Sign of Action by Roberts Yet and Nothing Further Regarding That Alleged British Loss at Brandfort or Meerkatsfontein-German Professor on the Favor Shown Great

a Boer source at Wepener, officially badly cut and brulsed; James V. Sims, communicated, says that four Boer guns have been disabled and four com- verely from shock. mandants killed or wounded. On Tuesday night the British made a sortic, Armstrong-McKelvy Lead and Oil capturing a Boer gun and taking some

Lendon, April 13. -- The following telegrams are received herefrom South

Africa:

'Aliwal North, April 12, p. m.-The colenial troops are still holding their own splendidly at Wepener, Cannonading recommenced this morning. The Boer attack yesterday was not very serious. The British are carefully husbanding their ammunition and their guns are making excellent practice. The Boers are short of ammunition. A patrol returning from Smithfield reports that small groups of Boers are

"Cape Town, April 12.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of The Cape Argus says: "Olivier's commando is moving in the direction of Smithfield. Five different laagers are located between Bethany and the Kaffir river, lying parallel to the rallway, twelve miles

News from the Transvanl Capital. A dispatch to The Daily Mail from Marques, dated yesterday, away from Wepener. About 2,000 for- only matinee girls. legion in Pretoria, including some the late General de Villehols-Mareuil."

How a Special Explains It. London, April 13.—The Bloemfontein correspondent of The Daily Telegraph, telegraphing Wednesday, says: Lord Roberts wisely declines to exthe elusive Boers until his preparathe elusive Boers until this preparations are complete. He will leave to the enemy the barren comfort of the and elected four delegates at large to July 1, 1900; the national convention at Philadel-

From a German Point of View. Berlin, April 13.-The military critic McKinley's administration in the Philof The Berliner Tageblatt explains ippines. that the inactivity of Lord Roberts is not due to the preparations he is making for the winter, but to the inability of his troops to take the field in num-British defeats are due to the discour-

DISCUSSES INTERNATIONAL LAW. With Relation to Mooted Portuguese Fa-

vors to Geest Britain. Berlin, April 13.—In the forthcoming number of The Nation, Professor Von Bar, of the University of Goettingen, take an oath not to participae in fur- one of the tramps, who will lose his ther hostilities against England. He leg. considers the former a serious breach of neutrality. The authorities whom he cites, including American and English furlsts, are unanimously opposed to such proceedings where a previous fore adjourning to meet in Columbus treaty providing for it does not exist. authorities are divided, but Professor Von Bar contends that such a treaty cannot be universally accepted as a principle of international law. He Boers and demanding a solid delegaonjectures that the Anglo-Portuguese | tion from Ohio for William J. Bryan. treaty contemplates only troops to be used against negro tribes, and is, therefore, inapplicable to the Transvaal. He cites the case of Belgium and Switzerland, which in 1870 refused to permit the movement across their territory of French or German troops; and he expresses the opinion that if the war should result in the independence of the two republics European nations would demand in the peace treaty better guarantees of the

The action of Lord Roberts in paroling Free Staters is pronounced by Professor Von Bar as "decidedly contrary to international law," and the Kruger has "rightly declared the oaths to be without binding obligation." In the course of the article Professor Von complains that Chamberlain's leadership has caused England to do "various things in the present war which are painful to England's old friends in Germany."

neutrality of Portuguese territory.

United States Army Officer Dies. Quincy, Ills., April 13 .- Major Martin Burke, United States army, in and one white man. She said that of change whatever has been made, or is kill her, and then each assaulted her. charge of the quartermaster's department in St. Louis, died here yesterday the white man-the best. of pneumonia. Major Burke was taken ill while transferring the bodies of several hundred civil war veterans to the National cemetery near here.

Washington, April 12 .- Many of the coal miners have left for their homes, after inducing most of the non-union men to become union men. Several a number of local politicians. hundred are still here and say they will stay until every non-union man joins their ranks. There was very nearly a riot when the police arrested a man who had beaten a non-union man and the miners rescued him from the police. The miners refused to allow the sheriff or the police to make

Miners Strike for an Increase. Houghton, Mich., April 11 .- One hun-

FATAL BUILDING COLLAPSE. Persons Killed, Six Badly Hurt, Others Slightly Injured.

Pittsburg, April 13 .- With a rush and a roar the four-story brick building at the corner of Second avenue and Wood street collapsed yesterday, burying in its ruins a number of people, three of whom were taken out dead, six were badly hurt and several others slightly injured. The dead are: Mrs. hardt, of Allegheny, salesman; Oscar

near Harrisburg. Injured-Noel Casper, of Emsworth, salesman, leg broken, badly bruised; Joseph Sloss, lieutenant fire company No. 1, ribs broken; Michael Shang, steamfitter, leg broken and arm Aliwal North, April 13.—News from crushed; James Sullivan, steamfitter, carpenter, badly cut and bruised; August Ferdegard, aged 64, suffering se-

Bigler, carpenter, home supposed to be

The building was occupied by the company. It was being remodeled by

FOUND DEAD BY THE LAKE

With His Head in About Ten Inches of Water-Iowa Tragedy.

Fort Dodge, Ia., April 13.—The body First National bank of Storm Lake, dependent mothers of soldiers or sailwas found in about ten inches of water ors of the Spanish war even though on the lake shore near that city. After they married Contederate soldiers to The Claypool will be eight or ten the bank closed he took his gun and receive the benefit of the general penstarted duck hunting. Not returning sion law, passed. at a late hour the family became anxious and searching parties were or-

was located among the weeds on the diers who afterward served in the Unshore of the lake. There were no ion army be pensioned?" marks of any kind on his person and the gun by his side had not been dis- sissippi. "We don't want to pension charged. His accounts are in excel- deserters from the Confederate sol-

CRANKY ON THE THEATRE.

Two Girls Who Were Too Constant in

Their Attendance. Fort Dodge, Ia., April 13.—Sheriff Dowd and wife have taken to the toon on the subject which attracted a says: "It is reported from Pretoria Mitchellville State Reform School that a Boer commando is moving Clara and Minnie Montgomery, aged through Basutoland. This is said to be respectively 14 and 16 years. With a clever ruse to draw the British this commitment Fort Dodge loses its

eigners constitute the new foreign | The chief charge against the girls was their constant attendance at every Cossacks in uniform. Several fresh performance in local theaters, both recruits left here for Pretoria today, afternoon and evening. The mother including a French captain, brother of is an invalid and the father announced to Judge Birdsall that he was unable to control the girls.

Oregon Republican Convention. electors and elected four delegates-at-large to occupation of a few farms for a short phia. The convention indersed the gold standard legislation of the present congress and the course of President

Detroit. Mich., April 13.—Governor \$500, 50 cents, Pingree in commenting on the passage ber sufficient to take the offiensive of the Porto Rican bill by the house, of one year, 25 cents; exceeding one against Kroonstadt. The view prevails hinted pretty plainly that he will fight year and not exceeding three years, 50 in military circles here that the recent | the renomination of Corliss, who rep- cents; for a period exceeding three resents the Detroit district. "We need years, \$1. some new congressmen from Michitheir consciousness of "bad general- gan," said the governor, "but Henry \$1,000, and not exceeding \$1,500, 25 a recommedation for mercy. Harvey tend to vote for a new congressman \$1,500, 25 cents.

Tramps Gets into Trouble Hebron, N. D., April 13,-After a lively fight, in which numerous shots etc., 25 cents. were fired, six tramps who held up a freight train here were arrested and the treasury estimates that the provipect of the transportation of British ductor and terrorized the train crew, furnish \$364,904, but that they are a half Indian. troops through Portuguese territory but were rounded up by a posse of and the action of Lord Roberts in re- citizens with rifles. The only casualty quiring the Boers of the Free State to was a wound in the knee received by

Ohio Democratic Clubs. Columbus, O., April 13.-The Ohio dent at 7 p. m. yesterday signed the Association of Democratic Clubs be- Porto Rican tariff and civil govern-Where such a treaty does exist the affirming the Chicago platform; detariff, the trusts and railroad combinations, expressing sympathy for the

Dies of a Blow in the Head. Indianapolis, April 13 .- Paul Theodore Welss, a salonkeepr at 705 Southeast street, died yesterday from a wound received Monday by being struck over the head with a whisky bottle in the hands of an unknown man. There were no eye witnesses to the trouble. The man who struck Weiss did so after refusal of a flask of

whisk on credit.

rence Ward, of Spring Valley, who Rock county physicians and has been | Therefore Allen will go alone to | San opinion is expressed that President thirteen months at Mendota and four Juan at the earliest possible moment months at the Rock county hospital be sane by a jury in the county court. She has a husband and five children.

Record for Age and Weddings. Perry. Okla., April 13 .- Auntle Rod-

gers, colored, who was 100 years old, Bishop Hurst, to the effect that the fell dead a few days ago. She was all her husbands she loved the last-

Gov. Tanner at His Post Again. Springfield, Ills., April 11.—Governor Tanner is at the executive office in the state house yesterday for the first time since he was taken sick in February. He seemed to be in excellent spirits, and put in the morning receiving callers. Among these were quite

East Liverpool, O., April 11 .- The East Liverpool postoffice has been gutted by fire. Much of the loose usail and that in boxes was destroyed. The mail still in pouches was saved. The loss on mail cannot be estingated. Damage to the building will amount to about \$1,000.

Navigation Prospects at the "Son,"

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., April 13 - will be sent from Kansas City via he cold weather of the last two days Galveston, Texas. seven miles north of Houghton, struck has stiffened the ice. Loaded teams Saturday for an increase of 10 per are crossing to Drummond island, cent. in wages. On April 1 the man- where last Sunday they were forced to agement gave practically 5 per cent, turn back. Navigation will be delayed increase to laborers and trammers, but as long as present indications prevail did not advance miners' wages. The and the opening will not be much ear-miners on company account are now lier than April 20. The ferry steamer Merchants' State bank, of Centralia, miners on company account are now lier than April 20. The ferry steamer Merchants State bank, or getting \$54 per month. Inow is running between the two Scoos. Ills., with capital of \$50,000.

House Passes a Bill to Benefit Widows of Spanish War,

SOUTHERNER'S VIEW OF DESERTERS

Martha Jones, aged 64; Eugene Bern- Those Who Left the Rebel Army to Serve for the Union-Tawney Proposes the Under the New Law.

Washington, April 13. - The house the insular affairs committee to audesignate depositories in Porto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines for the deposit of government funds. By the terms of the resolution it applies to Cuba only so long as the island shall be occupied by the United States. An amendment to include the Philippines in this provision as to Cuba, offered, as stated, to emphasize the desire of the opposition not to restrain the islands, was defeated by a party vote, of Truman D. Harker, president of the A senate bill which will permit the

Would Not Pension Deserters. After this bill was called up-"Why not repeal sectin 4716?" asked Gibson After two hours' search the body of Tennessee, "and let Confederate sol-

"No, no," called out William of Mis-

diers. Brosius Objects to a Cartoon, While a resolution looking to the election of United States senators by popular vote was under discussion Corliss too part and displayed a carlarge group of members about it. Brosius called for order. Corliss responded: "Why does the gentleman his abdomen. Both men are farmers from Pennsylvania object? Does he and married. think it reflects upon his state?" [Laughter.]

"No, no," replied Brosius. TO REPEAL REVENUE TAXES.

Several Clauses of the War Tax on Tawney's List.

Washington, April 13 .- In view of Secretary Gage's statement of the growing surplus importance attaches publican state convention met yester-day and nominated one justice of the supreme court food and analysis of the ways and managed attaches tee, to repeal the following provisions

50 cents; and for each additional \$500 graduating classes, when all of the sen-Pingree's Comments on the Porto Rico Bill or fractional part thereof in excess of

Lease, agreement, etc., for a period held on April 25.

Power of attorney, or proxy. etc., 10 cents. Power of attorney to seil and convey real estate, etc., 25 cents. Protests.

Tawney says that the secretary of very onerous and vexatious.

SIGNS THE PORTO RICO BILL. First Civil Governor of the Island Ap-

pointed Under the Measure. Washington, April 13.-The presi-

ment bill. Only Secretary Root and on May 15, 1901, passed resolutions re- Cortelyon, the assistant secretary to the president, were present when the nouncing imperalism, the Potro Rican | bill became a law. The president also appointed the first civil governor under the bill. He is Charles H. Allen, assistant secretary of the navy. Toward the close of the afternoon Allen was summoned to the White House by the president, and the formal tender of the post was made. Allen returned a practical acceptance. Then the president and the next gov-

ernor of Porto Rico spent an hour in close conference respecting the matters to be arranged in the immediate future. Owing to the fact that little more than two weeks time intervenes before the civil government must go into operation, according to the terms of the act of congress, it was Janesville, Wis., April 13.-Mrs, Law- decided that it would not be practicable to complete the cabwas declared to be insane by the inet of the governor in that time. after Secretary Long's return to for the insane, has been declared to Washington, which should be on Saturday next.

No Change in the Canteen

Washington, April 13.—Relative to a published statement, ascribed and who has been married six times, president has made a substantial change in the army canteen, it is married to four negroes, one Indian learned at the war department that no contemplated.

More Lands for Settlers. Washington, April 13.-The presi

go into effect October 10 next. Money Orders for Cape Nome. Washington, April 13 .- The postoffice department has arranged to provide a first-class money order system for Cape Nome, Alaska.

Buying Horses for John Bull. Indianapolis, April 13.-Local dealers on order from Kansas City bought three car loads of horses to be used by the English cavalry in South Africa. They are Indiana horses and brought from \$50 to \$100 each. They

New State Bank for Illinois.

Springfield, Ills., April 13 .- A permit has been issued by the auditor of publie accounts to B. Pullen, W. D. Rich-

EIGHT ACCUSED OF MURDER. The Viotim Being a Sheriff Killed While

Doing His Duty Faithfully. of Charles Hastings, George Godfrey, John Dugan, James McGerchin, Michael Kennedy (alias Harry Wade), Richard Frainke, John Bennett (alias Monk Baxter), and John Liddy, under indictment for the murder of Sheriff Herman Barnickol, has been begun in the cirguit court here, Judge Burroughs, of Edwardsville, presiding. Abolition of a Batch of Stamp Taxes in James Allen, also under indictment for the War Revenue Bill-Charles H. Al- the murder, will be tried at Carlyle len Appointed Governor of Porto Rico | this month, having secured a change of

Sheriff Barnickol was killed while seeking to prevent a wholesale jail deyesterday, after a spirited debate, livery. The work of selecting the jury adopted the resolution reported from to try the indicted men progresses slowly, only three having been secured thorize the secretary of the treasury to the first day. They are John Dahm, farmer; Frank Zooeliers, laborer, and Theodore Emery, coal miner.

WILL BUILD A FINE HOTEL.

Site of the Historic Bates' House, Indian-

apolis, To Be Used. Indianapolis, April 13.-Stockholders and directors of the Claypool hotel, which is to be erected on the site of the famous Bates House, from the balcony of which President Lincoln made a speech on his way to Washington to be inaugurated, met yesterday and adopted plans for the new hosterly. stories high, and cost \$1,000,000.

Alreday \$750,000 in stock has been taken. This hotel, with the Coliseum now projected, will give Indianapolis facilities for accomodating national conventions. A committee, headed by Henry Lawrence, proprietor of the Bates, went to Chicago yesterday to inspect the hotels of that city and secure pointers.

SHOT BY AN INSANE MAN.

Victim of the Shooting Is Probably Wounded Unto Death.

Corydon, la., April 13.-John Koontz shot and probably fatally wounded John Hullyer seven miles east of her. The rifle bullet passed through Hullyer's hand and entered

When a deputy sheriff went to Koontz' home to arrest him Koontz shot at the officer. The man was overpowered and brought to the jail here. He is 42 years old and believed to be insane, though he says he shot Hullyer because the latter had harassed him. Hullyer is 24 years old.

May Abolish the Thesis. Madison, Wis., April 13 .- It looks as thesis on some particular line of insupreme court, food and dairy comof the war revenue act, to take effect versity may be abolished. The faculty has had the matter under consid-Contract, broker's note, or memoran- eration and it seems that the objecdum of sale of any goods, etc., 10 cents. | tion of crowding too much work into | Conveyance, deed, instrument, etc., the senior year will stand and that the

Miscreants Recommended to Mercy. Chesterfield, S. C., April 13.-The jury in the Cassie Boan case yester-Mortgage or pledge, etc., exceeding day rendered a verdict of guilty with C. Smith won't be one of them. I in- cents, and on each \$500 in excess of and John Jackson will receive life sentences. Tom Steen, who was implicated in the murder, turned state's evidence. The Jacksons had made threats against the girl, and on March 20 her burned, lacerated and blistered body was found in a forest near Jetferson. There were four deep gashes across her body and all of her clothing will discuss the international law as- lodged in jail. They shot at the con- sions to be repealed by the bill only had been burned off. The woman was

WILEY TO GO TO PURDUE.

Hend of the Chemistry Bureau Likely To

Be a College President. Washington, April 12.-It is probable that Professor H. W. Wiley, the head of the chemistry bureau of the department of agriculture, will become president of the Purdue university, in Indiana. Professor Wiley said: "My name has been suggested to the board of trustees, of which ex-President Harrison is the chairman, but it is only one among a number. I do not mind saying, however, that should such an offer be made to me, notwithstanding the fact that the acceptance would call me to a field of harder work than I at present occupy, I should feel obliged to accept the offer, because I do not think that I would be justified in refusing a call to a wider field of usefulness, and where I would have the opportunity to benefit one of our greatest institutions."

Professor Wiley occupied the chair of chemistry at Purdue for nine years before coming to the department of agriculture in 1893. He says that the institution is the most important technological school in the country west of the Alleghenies, and is steadily increasing in its influence.

BRUTES ASSAULT A WOMAN.

Two Men Suspected of the Crime and Are Put in Prison.

Alpena, Mich., April 12.-Mrs. Adele Ruelle, aged 37 years, who lives alone at her home on River street, notified forts and concessions to avoid war," as the police that two men had broken into her home Friday evening. They structions to follow this line of policy. flourished a revolver and threatened to Joseph Wrinkle applied to the hospital for treatment. He had been shot in frontier." The Boer envoy accuses Sir the left lung, but refused to inform the police as to who did the shooting. dent has signed a proclamation open- Later in the day William McClintock ing to settlement the northern half of was arrested charged with the shootthe Colville Indian reservation in ing. but Wrinkle refused to swear out Washington. The proclamation will a warrant against him.

McClintock declared that he did not know the revolver was loaded, and snapped the trigger in fun. The police in their investigation of the assault upon Mrs. Ruelle claim to have secured evidence connecting Wrinkle and Mc Clintock with the crime, and Wrinkle has been locked up with McClintock pending further investigation. Public feeling is much stirred up.

Heavy Shortage in a Bank. Topeka, Kan., April 13.-The Citizens' State bank of Yates Center was closed yesterday by Deputy Bank Commissioner Waterman. There is a

heavy shortage. Chicago Man to Wed a Rockefeller. New York, April 13.-Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller last night announced the engagement of their our troops with fixed bayonets were daughter Alta to E. Parmalee Prestice, within fifteen yards of them. Seven for recognition at the Paris exposition fall." of Chicago.

Belleville, Ills., April 13.-The trial Burghers Are Reported 35,000 Strong Near Kroonstadt.

> also That They Have Ninety Guns and Are Fortified to the Limit-Buller Says He Has Stlenced the Boer Attack on Him-No Confirmation of the Reported Disaster to the British-Some Discrepancies Noted-Correspondents' Notes of What Is Going on at Bloemfontein.

London, April 12.—The following telegram has been published:

"Pretoria, April 10.-It is reported here that Colonel Baden-Powell (the British commander at Mafeking) is dead."

"The latest news from the front is that fighting is continuing at Elandslaagte (Natal) and De Wet's dorp (Orange Free State), but no particulars have been received."

London, April 12.-The Daily Mail's corespondent at Lourenzo Marques, telegraphing yesterday, says: "Thirtyfive thousand Boers, with ninety guns, are concentrated on the range of hills between Kroonstad and Winburg. The whole line is fortified and is almost impregnable."

The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated Bloemfontein, April 11: "Buller reports that the enemy attacked his right flank yesterday while he was enganged in changing his position, but our artillery silenced their guns and they did not press the attack. Our losses were four killed and eight men wounded. There is no further news yet from Wepener." [Note.-This refers to the attack on the British camp at Elandslaagte, a few miles from Ladysmith.]

That Mysterious Alleged Disaster. This dispatch from Roberts adds to the incredulity felt here regarding the story that some British force had been attacked by the Boers north of Bloemfontein and 600 killed and wounded and 900 taken prisoners. The battle is reported "officially" from Pretoria to have taken place south of Brandfort. It is also stated in a press dispatch to have been fought at Meerkatsfontein. Now there is a place of the latter name about five miles from Kroonstadt. But Brandfort is not fifty miles north of Bloemfontein. It is impossible it would seem for a disaster like that renear Kroonstadt, wi h is 100 miles north of Brandfort.

bulance corps for Pretoria was delayed ask for an appeal." when the consideration or value ex- system will be changed or entirely done on suspicion of filibustering. The memceeds \$100 and does not exceed \$500, away with. The "swing-out" of the bers left by a special train this afternoon, accompanied by a motley following of French and Germans, 100 in lors will appear in cap and gown on lowing of French and Germans, 100 in the campus for the first time, will be all. The departure only occurred after many stormy interviews with the Portuguese authorities. The members have no passports, and no credentials beyond a letter from Miss Clara Barton to the effect that she knows some of them personally and believes them to be genuine, but many have openly expressed their intention of fighting. The Boers are paying from £30 to £40 per month for such recruits.

Boers Exhibit Indecision. The Bloemfontein correspondent of The Morning Post, telegraphing Tuesday, says: "The Boers to the southeast are exhibiting indecision of movement, possibly in consequence of our the enemy are still moving from Winburg southward through Thaba N'Chu. Their destination has not been ascertained. The Boers in the neighbor- trated in the Gulf of Pe-Chi-Li. hood of Paardeberg show no disposition to interrupt our communication with Kimberley, from which point civil

convoys are still arriving." Making Bloemfontein Secure. The Bloemfontein correspondent of The Daily Telegraph, in a dispatch dated Tuesday, says: "The permanent defenses are nearing completion, so that the town can be held by a relatively small garrison. A British scout who has visited the Bloemfontein waterworks reports that the machinery and dams are intact. Only a few Boers remain in the neighborhood. The enemy have trekked six miles north and formed a laager near Waterval. News from General Brabant at Wepener shows that all is going satisfactorily there. The troops are getting new khaki serge uniforms and boots."

BOER ENVOYS TO EUROPE.

One Says Milner Went to the Cape to Bring on a War. Rome, April 12.—The Naples corre spondent of The Tribuna telegraphs an interview he has had with Fischer, one of the Boer peace commissioners, who arrived there Tuesday. Fischer said he was convinced that Sir Alfred

Milner, when appointed governor of Cape Colony and British high commissloper in South Africa, went to Cape Town with a fixed intention-with a mission-to bring about the war, and opposed the Transvaal's "generous efthough he had received precise in--While the Transvaal was making concessions," said Fischer, "Great Britain was gathering troops along the Alfred Milner of falsifying dispatches In fact, according to the commissioner, accusations against Sir Alfred Milner constitute one of the principal features in the negotiations which the commisat Berlin have made an offer for the sioners seek to carry through. The Boer envoys left Naples yesterday, going by the way of the St. Gothard pass, and without stopping here,

German Comment Is Quiet. Berlin, April 12.-The German press comments quietly upon the recent Brit-ish checks in South Africa, apparently not attaching great military importance to them.

BOERS FOUGHT DESPERATELY, Didn't Shoot Very Well, Though, and Outraged the Truce Flag. London, April 12.—Marshal Roberts

feated April 5th made a good resistance on Eleanora Duse, actress.

wounded and fifty-one were made prisonrs. Beside Lieutenants Boyle and Williams, Sergeant Patrick Campbell was killed and two of our men were wounded.

after the white flag had been held up. The perpetrator of the crime was at once shot. Methuen speaks in high terms of the intelligent manner in which the imperial yeomanry and the Kimberley mounted corps behaved."

BEAUTIFUL SNOW AGAIN.

Storm Extends All Over the Northern and Western States.

Chicago, April 12.-It snowed half temperature of 8 above, while Cheyenne

had a temperature of 6 above. degree to the southwestern part of on goods going to to Porto Rico from idly over the middle states of the Mis- senate and agreed to by the house all of the Ohio river. Rain and snow flur- United States from Porto Rico are ries accompanied the storm center region eastward over the lower Mis-

HE ROBBED THE MAILS.

His Mother and Bride Plead with Justice

in Vain. Springfield, Ills., April 12 .- W. Winn Bramble, aged 26, mailing clock in the Decatur postoffice, has been arrested and brought to this city charged with embezzlement. He confessed and said he had stolen \$250 since last December. Thirty-one letters were found on his person when arrested, three of which were decoy letters by means of which

he was detected. He was given an examination before United States Commissioner Kidd, and held in the sum of \$2,000 to await the action of the grand jury, failing to give, which he went to jail. His mother and bride of a few months pleaded before the commissioner on their knees for his release, but in vain.

San Domingo Rebel Sentenced. New York, April 12 .- A dispatch te The Herald from Puerto Plata, Santo Domingo, says: "The trial of Perico only the bill but the special order un-Pipin, who recently led a small upris-London, April 12.-The correspondent onstration. Pipin was sentenced to goon later gave an opinion the other

Master Plumbers as Journeymen. Chicago, April 12. - Eight master plumbers wiped joints and laid pipe in the new Merchants' Loan and Trust building at Adams and Clark street yesterday. Under the supervision of James Baggot, of the firm of E. Baggot & Co., the masters labored in an effort to help the plumbing firm to finish the stipulated work. Extraordinary precautions are being taken by the er of Texas. Burkett with Burke of contractors to prevent the identity of the plumbers becoming known.

International Demonstration. Berlin, April 12.-The Berliner Tageblatt learns from Kiel that an international naval demonstration will take place at Taku. The German squadron, consisting of the cruisers Hertha, Gefion, Irene and Kaiserin Augusta occupation of the railway. Bodles of and the gunboats Jaguar and Iltis, under Admiral Bendemann, is at present stationed conveniently, so that within a few days the ships can be concen-

> Frick to Sell Out His Holdings. New York, April 12 .- A special The Tribune from Pittsburg says: "'H. C. Frick will dispose of all his holdings -something over \$16,000,000-in the Carnegie company just as soon as he can,' said a big stockholder of the Carnegie company. 'He won what he contended for, and will not remain to hamper Mr. Carnegie or his partners.' It is said Frick and President Schwab stitution does not depend upon conare not on pleasant terms."

> United States. The reverse of the Van Blaren Not Lacking in Friends. proposition is the fact. From this time Neenah, Wis., April 12. - L. Van Blaren, the aged man who was almost beaten to death oMnday, has found friends in Neenah to such an extent that counsel has been engaged in his behalf and August Wauck has been arrested charged with assault to do great bodily harm. The case came up in justice court, but was held over.

Hurt by a Powder Explosion. Calumet, Mich., April 13.-John Matta and Richard Hill, miners at the Tawarack mine, were badly injured by a powder explosion while working in the mine. There is a slight chance

for their recovery. NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE.

Peter Larsen, Joseph Madsen and woman, all drunk, were drowned at the entrance to the outer harbor at San Pedro, Cal.

railway have gone on a strike. They number 1.200. It is reported at Vienna that the pope has warned Ferdinand of Bulgaria that if he joins the Greek

The telegraphers on the Southern

church he will be excommunicated by Maine Republicans in convention clared for McKinley. It is stated at Chicago that parties

Ferries wheel. A bequest by John Halstead, of New York, to Cooper Union amounts to \$300,000. Ebenezer Burges Ball, the nearest

relative of George Washington, is dead at the national Capitol, aged 84. Ice a quarter of an inch thick formed at Wichita, Kas., Wednesday night, and farmers report the fruit crop killed.

The City of Mexico has made a contract for the paving of seventy-five the property of Mrs. Bliven. It is streets with asphalt. Steps are being taken in the east to water to use at Janesville, Beloit and

tomobiles. "Bloemfontein, April 11.—Methuen | Emperor Franz Joseph has conferred reports that the party of Boers de the order of the Golden Cross of Merit

of the enemy were killed, eleven were on the jury of awards.

"Williams was killed deliberately, Puts Porto Rican Tariff Bill Through the House.

> Some Republicans Voting Against the Bill and Some Democrats for It-Analysis of the Vote and List of Pairs-Magoon's Opinion That Porto Rico Is "One of Us" Rend in the Debate-Its Origin Explained by Meiklejohn.

Washington, April 12.-The long and the day here yesterday and at night bitter struggle over the Porto Rican there was a depth of two inches of the tariff bill ended yesterday when the "beautiful" on the ground outside of house by a vote of 161 to 153 concurred the business portion of the city. The in all the senate amendments. The storm extended all over the northern | bill then required only the signature of and western states. In the middle the speaker of the house and the presi-Rockies the unfortunate westerners dent of the senate before going to the were having an excellent imitation of winter. Denver was shivering in a signatures will be attached today, and before nightfall the bill probably will These conditions prevailed through- be a law. As the bill originally passed out the Wyoming and Colorado regions | the house it was a simple bill imposand extended in a somewhat milder ing 15 per cent, of the Dingley rates Kansas. The storm was moving rap- the United States. As amended by the sissippi valley and was pushing south restrictions on goods coming into the eliminated and certain food stuffs and from the middle and southern Rocky other articles which heretofore have gone into Porto Rico free by executive sourl, lower Mississippi and Ohio val- order are excluded from the operation of the 15 per cent, duty imposed on goods entering the island from the

United States. Scheme of Civil Goverment, A complete scheme of civil government for the island is also attached to the measure. Upon the final vote nine Republicans voted against the bill-Heatwole of Minnesota, Crumpacker, Lane of Iowa, Littlefield, McCall of Massachusetts, H. C. Smith of Michigan, Warne of Illinois, Fletcher of Maine, and Lorimer of Illinois, Two Democrats-Davey and Meyer of Louisiana, were paired with Democrats in favor of the bill, and one Democrat, Sibley of Pennsylvania, voted for it outright. DeVries, the other Democrat who voted for the original bill, yesterday voted against concurrence, Stallings of Alabama was the only member on either side absent and un

Legal Adviser Magoon's Opinion. The vote came at 5 o'clock, after a very interesting and at times exciting debate of five hours, which covered not der which the house acted. One of the ported to have taken place so near ing against the government of Santo most dramatic features of the day was Bloemfontein without Roberts hearing Domingo, has ended with the convict the reading by Richardson, the minorof it. It is almost equally impossible tion of the prisoner. The trial was be- ity leader, of the original opinion of though the old practice of requiring that a British force could have been so gun on March 5. At its conclusion the Charles E. Magoon, the legal adviser governor of Santiago de Los Cabel. of the war department, in favor of the leros ordered all business establish view that the constitution extended vent adem- over Porto Rico ex proprie vigore, Maof The Daily Mail, at Lourenzo Mar- twenty years' imprisonment and to pay way. Dolliver of Iowa, in reply, ques, telegraphing yesterday, says: a fine of \$30,000 in gold. A warship termed Magoon a clerk who tried to The departure of the Chicago am- has taken him to the capital. He will overrule "the great lawyer at the head of the war department." Warner of Illineis, Crumpacker, McCall of Massachusetts and Lorimer of Illinois, all Republicans, made speeches against the motion to concur.

Names of Men Who Were Paired. The pairs were as follows, the firstnamed being in favor of the bill: Hull with Hav. Packer with Polk, Barney th Allen of Mississippi, Weymouth with Broussard, Gillett of Massachusetts with Thaver. Hawley with Coop-Texas, Mahon with Otey, Minor of Wisconsin with Rixey, Lybrand with Gaston, Kerr with Carmack, Davey Dem.) with Crowley, Meyer (Dem.) with Robinson of Louisiana, Otjen with Brenner, Wachter with Small, Stewart of New Jersey with Salmon, Esch with Bailey of Texas, Boutelle with Cochran of Missouri.

MAGOON'S PORTO RICO OPINION

Given for Personal Use and Not Officially in a Pending Case. Washington, April 12.-The opinion by Magoon, law officer of the insular division, relative to the extension of the constitution over Porto Rico, was given in May, 1899. After referring to Spain's cession of the island, the opinion says: "Thereupon the territory conveyed became a part of the United States and as such subject to the constitution. No further action by congress was necessary or possible. The congress for authority in any part of the

on, congress must look to the constitution for authority to legislate for Porto Rico. Melklejohn, in transmitting the opin ion, says that when criticisms were made on the practice of the war department in maintaining the tariff schedule adopted by the military government he requested Magoon to furnish him a statement of the arguments against the continuance of the practice. Meiklejohn adds: "The request was complied with by the preparation of a memorandum. This memorandum was not made in any case pending in the department. It was entirely unofficial, and intended for personal use. Upon consideration the argument against continuance was not considered to be well-founded and no change was made in said tariff regula-

Subsequently, Meiklejohn says, Magoon furnished an opinion on the general subject, which has been made public heretofore.

Canada Raises the Pulp Duty. Washington, April 12.-The state department has been informed that the Ottawa government has given notice of an increase from 20 to 40 cents a cord on the dues on pulp wood, begin-

ning May 1, 1900. Injunction Case in Wisconsin. Janesville, Wis., April 12.-Judge Dick, of Beaver Dam, is here hearing the case of William Taylor and Mrs. Kate Bliven against the Indian Ford Waterpower company. The plaintiffs ask for an injunction restraining the defendants from drawing water from Lake Koshkonong and also for alleged damages to the Taylor hotel, on the lake, by the raising and lowering of the water. The hotel was formerly owned by William Taylor and is now claimed that the defendants take the

telegraphed the war office as follows amalgamate all companies making au- Rockton, Ills. Will Run for Governor of New York. New York, April 13.-The Press says: "Justice George C. Barrett, according to the belief of prominent polifor four hours, and only gave in when At the request of Mrs. Potter Palmer, ticians of both parties, will be the