Maple Leaf Connections Will Be Useed by the Reading.

RESULTS OF A GREAT CONSOLIDATION.

How the Big Eastern Corporation Proposes to Have a Through Line From Nebrasks to the Atlantic Coast in the Near Future.

Curcago III. March 14 -The report telegraphed from New York that A. B. Stickney and Traffic Manager Busembark of the Chicago, St. Paul & Kansas City road were engaged last week in conducting negotiations with the Reading people for a closer traffic alliance between the two corporations is denied by Mr. Busenbar's, who returned today from New York. He admits, however, there is some probability of such a scheme developing later on. With the Lehigh Valley and Lackawanns in its system and a strong line of boats on the liable outlet to the west from Chicago and the Maple Leaf is supposed to be in better shape than any other road to take such a position. It is also understood that some sort of an arrangement has been entered into whereby the Lackawanna is to discontinue work on its proposed Winona & Southwest-ern line. This they mean that the Maple Leaf will construct the two long contemplated branch lines from Des Moines to Omaha and Sioux City. There was a drop in the volume of the

eastbound freight last week as compared with that of the week before. The total number of tons by all lines 91,455, while that of the preceding week was 100,592. The shipments however, amounted to about 11,-000 tons more than they did during the cor-

responding week last year.
Arrangements have finally been completed for a conference between the Chicago and St. Paul roads and the Canadian Pacific, Grand Trunk and the Soo line, to be held in the city March 21, with the view of eaching a proper adjustment of second-class rates and seaboard immigrant rates from St. Law-rence ports to points in the northwest. The Michigan Central, the Lake Shore, the Wa-bash, the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific have also been invited to send representatives to the meeting.

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The western roads have inaugurated a sort of boycett against the Chicago & North west ern and the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul roads, because of their arrangement with the Chicago and Grand Trunk for a division of through rates in lieu of switching charges.

All the eastbound and southbound lines except the Chicago and Grand Trunk have

signed a circular notifying agents and shippers that, taking effect March 28, all their tariffs which included deliveries of receipt free at points within the city limits on the lines of the two western roads will be abrogated upon all traffic in the territory of the Central Traffic association east of the Indiana and Illinois line.

GENTLE JAPANESE.

Their Elections Result in Much Bloodshed-Admiral Belknap Retires. YOROHAMA, March 14.-The election for members of the Japanese Diet are practically finished, but the exact result is unknown. The government newspaper claims a majority of about twenty, but this figure is reached by counting all the independents as government supporters. The elections have been distinguished by riots and assaults, there having been twenty persons killed and 140 wounded at various times during the cam-

Intelligence received from the polling places show that a very small proportion of those entitled to elective franchise exercised the privilege of voting. In the metropolis fully 25 per cent of the voters refrained from casting their ballots. The papers ascribe violence. General charges of intimidation and bridery have been made in sections, and in one precinct a ballot box was surreptitiously made away with.

On February 20 Admiral Belknap retired as commander of the United States Asiatic squadron, being succeeded by Real Admiral who hoisted the fing on the Alliance and was greeted by a salute from the Marion and H. M. S. Mercury

Will Prepare for the Future. ST. PETERSBURG, March 14.-The council of the empire has ordered that in the future two grain depots shall be established t every 300 peasants' huts, and that from these depots seed corn shall be distributed in the spring to the peasants, who must return it in the autumn. Special bureaus be established to report annually as to the condition of the grain harvest of the empire so as to enable the government to adopt measures to avert a famine in the future.

IOWA'S LEGISLATURE.

One Hundred and Twenty-five Thousand Dollars Appropriated for the World's Fair DES MOINES, Ia., March 4.- In the senate this morning petitions were presented against the repeal of the prohibitory law, and to prevent the seining of streams and lakes. Bills were presented by Gatch to appropriate \$5,000 annually for the state lib-rary and \$20,000 to finish the capitol building. bill was passed authorizing the loca tion of highways across the state lands at In dependence, to make a shorter road to that town. Kelly called up and had passed his bill relating to crossings. The bill empowers the commissioners to order the construction of connections in the form of a "Y" when crossings are not on the same grade. The Groneweg bill regulating stations at cross-ings was also passed. Senator Dent presented a long reply to Perry's minority re port on the bill amending the code in re lation to demurrers. The judiciary commit-tee recommended its passage and the report was adopted and the bill was passed. Green's bill requiring end gat s on all flat

cars was passed.

In the house the following bills were introduced: By Coffin, providing for the transfer of property of corporations taken under a mortgage; by Morris, to prevent maintenance of opium joints. Wilson introduced a resolution calling on the committee for the suppression of intemperance to investigate the opium joints and report a bill to suppress This is in consequence of the exposures recently made in the newspapers of a number of such joints in this city. The bill requiring steam pressure on highways to be stopped within fifty to 100 yards away from teams, and owners to carry planks to be put down in crossing bridges was dis-

cussed at some length and passed.

The appropriations committee of the house and senate met this afternoon and agreed on an appropriation of \$125,000 for Iowa's exhibit at the World's fair. Iowa's commissioners asked for \$339,000. The special com-

sioners asked for \$339,000. The special committee recommended \$220,000, but the appropriation committee considered it too much money and reported as above.

The following bills passed the senate this evening: Amending the law relative to the construction of sewers in cities organized under special charters; giving district courts original jurisdiction with justices of the peace in case of forcibie entry and detainer; providing for a board of sheep inspectors; authorizing the establishment of boards of park commissioners in cities of 50,000 or more authorizing the establishment of 50,000 or more park commissioners in cities of 50,000 or more park commissioners in cities of 50,000 or more park commissioners in cities of 50,000 or more park commissioners. population. And also passed house bills. To amend relating to taxes for public im

provements in cities with special charters; to amend the law relative to fish dams across the mouths of meandered takes. In the house the following bills were bassed this evening: To prohibit railway companies obstructing crossings; to prohibit corporations issuing stock at less than par value; providing for the publication of the proceed-ings of the fowa academy of sciences; to pro-vide for the holding of examinations of can idates for state teachers certificates in dif-

didates for state teachers certificates in dif-ferent parts of the state.

Appeals in highway cases have caused lots of trouble in lowa and a bill passed in the house this evening tends to remedy the same.

The bill provides that if a claimant does not get the full amount of his claim on such ap-peal, he shall pay all costs. Bills passed amending the state mining laws and laws relating to the compensation of county offi-cers.

A bill to compel railway companies to use min to compet railway companies to use main depots in cities where two or more coads center passed in the senate, also bills a legalize the incorporation of Hoopers, sious county, and to legalize acts of the

board of supervisors in Wapello county. A resolution was adopted indefinitely postponing about twenty bills.

Anxious About Prohibition. DES MOINES, Ia., March 14. - | Special Tele gramto THE BEE, |-A large number of brewers and brewers' agents and traveling men are now and for several days have been in this city. They began to arrive last week, and there are about twenty of them quartered at the different hotels, some of them under assumed names, and all making every effort to keep their presence unknown to the public. The crowd includes representatives of the breweries of Milwaukee, Peoria, Chi-cago, St. Louis, Cincinnati and Dubuque. A veteran traveling man whose business has made these men known to him, is the author-ity for the above statement.

Violated the Contract.

DES MOINES, Ia., March 14,- [Special to THE BEE. |- When the Des Moines Cotton mill was organized, a contract was made with Alesley Redhead and the York investment company by which the latter had the right to locate a mill and have \$35,000 of capital stock, for which they deeded ninety lots to the cotton mill company and agreed in writing to sell the lots for the cotton mill company without compensation. They also agreed not to place any of their own lots in competition herewith. In violation of the contract they sold all their own lots and did not sell the cotton mill company's. The court says that the cotton mill company has suffered damage of \$15,350.

Sheriff McGaraugh Injured. DES MOINES, Ia., March 14.- | Special Telegram to THE BEE. |-Sheriff Joe McGaraugh was badly injured this morning in a runaway near the fair grounds. His team took fright and threw him out on the ground severely crushing his left arm and side and straining his neck and back. No bones were proken.

Mr. Clarkson Improving. DES MOINES, Ia., March 14. - | Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-A private dispatch repeived from Mrs. J. S. Clarkson states that Mr. Clarkson is improving slowly out surely, though still helpless. His family hope to be able to take him to Hot Springs the latter part of next week. Mr. Clarkson is suffer-ing from an acute attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

Iowa Landmark Damaged. Iowa Cirv, Ia., March 14.- |Special Telegram to THE BEE, |-The building used as the first territorial capital of Iowa, and now occupied as a broom factory, caught fire this morning and was slightly damaged.

Indicted a Dead Man. Font Dongs, Ia., March 14.- Special Telegram to THE BEE.]-It has just leaked out that the Webster county grand jury recently indicted a dead man. The indictment was brought against Mike Hancaban for selling liquor contrary to law. When the sheriff came to arrest hie man he found that Hancahan had been dead eight years.

IT LOOKS LIKE A FIGHT.

Sullivan Says He Thinks Corbett Will Comto Time. CHICAGO, Ill., March 14. - John L. Sullivan in an interview here, said he thought Corpett the man he would likely have to fight. "He seems to be the only man who is anxious to meet me," said he. "He has put up \$1,000 of his forfeit and promises to put up the other \$1,500. If he does so he will be the first to come and therefore will be the first served. The others—Mitchell and Slavin—are simply trying to advertise themselves at my ex-pense. I want to have this one fight and let

Results at Gloucester. GLOUCESTER, N. J., March 14.-Weather clear, track good : First race, thirteen-sixteenths of a mile, selling: Landseer won, Corio anus (the favorite) second, Tappahannock third. Sorrento and Owen Golden drawn. Time: 1:31.

Second race, six and one-fourth furlongs, 3-year-olds, selling: Eddle M won, Jersey second. Strin:fellow (the favorite) third. Time: 1:274.

Time: 1:274.
Third race, fifteen-sixteenths of a mile, sell-ing: Florimore won. Ballston second, Kanesville third. Katle C and Montreal drawn. Gardner (the favorite) ran unplaced. Time:

Fourth race, three-quarters of a mile, selling: Barthena won, Monsoon (the favorite) second, Slumber third, Benjamin drawn, Time: 1:2315.

Fifth race, five-eighths of a mile, seiling: Minuic J. (the favorite) won, Leo Brigel second, Bonnie Lass third, Mucliage, Harry Russell, Genevieve, Vance and Pine Ridge drawn, Time: 1:07. Time: 1:06.

Sixth race, nine-sixteenth of a mile, seiling:
Shakespeare (the favorite) won. Silver Maid
colt second. Skidmore third, California and
Manhattan drawn. Time: 1:014.

Going at Guttenberg. GUTTENBERG, N. J., March 14.-The track was in good condition today and the attendance large.

First race, five furiongs: Needmore won, Napa second, Little Minnie third. Time: 1:344. Second race, four and a half furlongs: Turk won, Miss Olive second, Vancluse third

won. Miss Offive second, vanctuse chiral Time: 57%.
Third race, four and one-half furlongs: Smuggler won. Logan second, Stratagem third. Time: 66%.
Fourth race, five furlongs: Dixle won. Pan-way second, Rancocas third. Time: 1:03%. Fifth race, mile and a half: Sir Rac won. Gladstone second, Vosburg third. Time: 9.412.

Sixth race, six and one-half furlongs: Inno-ation won. Khaftan second, Blackburn third.

Plattsmouth Ready for the Season PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., March 14.- | Special to THE BEE. |-The story having been started to the effect that this city would not be represented in the State Baseball league this year has had the effect of stirring up the local "fans." Money has been liberally subscribed in the last few days and a club here is now an assured fact. The local management has already signed seven good players and are on the hunt after others. The seven signed are as follows: Maupin, catcher; Reeves and Yapp, pitchers; Gibson, first base; McKibben, second base; Clark, short stop, and Brauford, outfielder. The ball park is being placed in shape and active arrangements are being made to have the

Jim is Building Air Castles. New YORK, March 14. - The Herald sport ing editor announces thus at the head of his column this morning:

"I have just seen a letter Corbett wrote to one of his old chums and advisors. Three lines are devoted to polite inquiries for his friend's welfare and three long pages to a discussion of the coming battle. "I don't care a cent for the \$10,000 stake," Corbett writes. "That will be a nice plum, but my backers are welcome to it. What i

want is to best Sullivan. Think of wha that means, and I feel just as certain that I can do it as I am certain that I am ative. What a future is before me.

Tips for Today, Following are the good things for the races mentioned below:

GUTTENBERG. 1. Louis R.—Index.
2. Noonday—Brussels.
3. Miss Belie—Khafton.
4. Joe Courtney—Sandstone.
5. G. W. Cook—Panaway.
6. Sallie Harper—Harrison.
GLOUGESTER.

Passmore—Wigwam.
The Earl—Garwood.
Birthday—Fernwood.
Dr. Helmuth—Lee S.
Thad Rowe—Money Maid.
Garrison—Houri.

Won the Fight and Then Died. PORTLAND, Ore., March 14.—Pear Hender-son, aged 17, and Charles Bell, aged 15, fought twenty-three rounds near this city yester day. Henderson was awarded the fight in the twenty-third round on a foul, but imme-diately fell to the ground and in a few min ites died from a blow he received over the

Hastings in the State League. GRAND ISLAND, Neb., March 14 .- [Special to THE BEE.]—Hastings has reported that she would enter the state league and a meet ing of the subscribers will be held next Thursday evening to elect officers and direc-tors. W. A. Rourke, who will manage the club, has lines out for several good players.

Plattsmouth Signs a Player. PLATISMOUTH, Neb., March 14.- | Special to THE BEE.]-C. W. Porter, of last season's Pueblo, Colo., case ball team, has signed with Plattsmouth to play third base.

FROM YESTERDAY'S SECOND EDITION, ORIGIN OF THE GUELPH FUND

Some Court Secrets Reviewed in Which Bismarck Was Interested.

CONFISCATED ESTATES ILLEGALLY USED

Lively Political Gossip Agitating the Continent-Restitution of the Duke of Cumberland's Possessions Created Surprise,

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Pants, March 13.—|New York Heraid Cable—Special to Tue Ber. |—The renunciation of the duke of Cumberland continues to cause great talk in the political world. It is believed that the restitution of the Guelph fund is due to a bargain with the Catholic deputies of the center, of whom the government has need. The following is the origin of what is called the Guelph fund. After the annexation of Hanover by Prussia by the convention of September 29, 1867, be tween King George of Hanover, father of the duke of Cumberland, and the Prussian government, King

George was to receive \$60,000,000. The convention was ratified February 1, 1868, by the Prussian Landtag, Bismarck having intervened in the discussion to carry the vote, but before the end of the same month the Prussian government changed its front and interpollated. On the creation of the Hanoverian legion in France the declaration of the minister of figs nee caused King George to announce that he did not accept the settlement. The government fought with the income of his own property. A bargain was proposed to the king instead of the restitution of his fortune. The renunciation of his rights of succession was demanded in exchange for the money that belonged to him. He refused, and on March 2 King William of Prussia signed the decree of con-fiscation of the fortune of the king of

And It Was Illegal.

But a decree, contrary to a vote of the Landtag, ought to have been afterward rati-fied by a vote of the assembly a formality The Guelph found was, therefore, held by the Prussian government not only unjustly but illegally since 1868. The use to which

this fund has been put is well known. The revenue therefrom has been directed, not solely against the Hanoverian dynasty, but as since 1871 the chancellor's office has had 5,000,000 annual revenue that the confiscation put at its disposal, the Prussian cabinet has one crazy about private secrets.
The chancellor leaned wholly on the pub-

he opinion of Europe, Recently revealed scandals show that a very great personage did not disdain to feed at the same crib as the "reptile" journalists. Europe learned who was getting the money. This state of things ended, the government had to look elsewhere it it wished to continue to buy

newspapers.

The grand duke of Hesse died this evening. aged 54 years. He fought against Prussin in 1896 and the independence of the grand duchy was saved only by the intervention of Russia, by which an annexation similar to that of Hanover and Nassau was prevented. The grand duke married, in 1862, a daughter of Queen Victoria, who died in 1878. His heir, Prince Ernest, is 23 years old. He passes for a supporter of the clerical party, and is of course an officer in the Prussian JACQUES ST. CERE.

WILL BANQUET REID.

American Artists in Paris Will Testify Their Appreciation of the Minister to France. Paris, March 13 .- The American artists here are arranging to give a special farewell banquet to Mr. Reid.

The following is the text of the address

from the American residents to be presented to Mr. Reid at the coming banquet by Consul General King: "We your fellow citizens, desire to mark our warm appreciation of the able, dignified and successful manner in which you have fulfilled the duties of your office during the last three years. At the very commencement of your diplomatic functions you were confronted with innumintricate questions arising out opening of the French exposiof the opening of the French exposi-tion of 1889, which, as well as the constant cessfully met by the judgment, foresight and courtesy which have invariably distin-guished your official career. We have not forgotten, moreover, that you secured from France the first official acceptance by a nation of our government's invitation to the World's Columbian exposition. The intimate personal relations which you cultivated and have maintained with different members of the government and the esteem and re spect in which you are held in France, have largely contributed to the substantial compiction, as announced by the French press and officials, of a new ex-tradition treaty more than doubling of the number of extraditable crimes, and our commercial convention providing for reciprocity for certain articles in return for the free admission of hides, sugar and coffee. Your fruitful labors for copyright and for the reappeal of duty on works of art have likewise earned you the applause of our countrymen, and as the crowning act of your career the long negotiations for the re-moval of the prohibition of American pork— a question of the first importance to the United States—after unceasing efforts, ex-tending over eleven years, have triumphantly closed through the vigor, the tast and wisdom of your exertions. The thoughtful courtesies you have extended, not only to those residents in the capital, but to the American passing through Paris as well as to members of the government and people of France, in which you have been so effectively aided by our accomplished wife, pave strengthened ad confirmed the reputation of our country for hospitality. In fact, it can truthfully be said that no American minister has more faithfully and admirably administered his trust than yourself. In view, therefore, of the universal appreciation of your character and services we have ventured to tender you this forewell banquet and beg to express the hope that in returning to your native land, with the added experience of well spent years abroad, you will find a new field of usefulness, the increasing regard of your countrymen and the enjoyment of every happiness?

James Gordon Bennett has telegraphed from New York to have his name put to the address.
General Meredith, ex-minister to Greece, General Meredith, ex-minister to Greece, has charge of the program. The opening toast will be "The President of the United States." It will be followed by "The President of the French Republic" and "Our Guest," proposed by Chairman Hayes. The presentation of the addresses and Mr. Reid's reply will follow. Next will come these toasts: "The Two Republics," responded to by Minister Ribot. "The Press and Diplomacy," responded to by Minister de Freycinet; "Education and Democracy," responded to by Jules Simon, and "French and American Friendship," responded to by Colonel Stuart Taylor. Mr. Reid will speak for the most part in Euglish. His closing remarks will be in French, addressed to the French guests.

guests.

M. Roubiells, prefect of the department of the Seine; M. Rosa, prefect of the Paris police, and Senor Tierard have intimated that they will attend the banquet.

William Astor has arrived from the south of France to attend the banquet. He breakfasted today at the American legation.

REMEMBERED THEIR HEROES,

tustrians Decorate the Graves of the Vic

tims of the Rebellion of '48. VIENNA, March 13.-Thousands of workmen today joined in the annual procession to the graves of the victims of the rebellion of 1845. Many symbols were deposited on the monuments. The police forbade the making of speeches. Everything was orderly until the return to the city when the action of the police in breaking up the procession to arrest a man, incensed the crowd and caused a ser-ious collision. Reinforcements were required and the police made charges repeatedly be-fore they dispersed the crowd.

Sorrow for the Duke of Hesse. LONDON, March 13.-The news of the death of grand duke of Herse has caused grief

at Windsor, where the deceased was a great favorite. The queen will send the doke of Edinburg to the present her at the funeral and may possibly delay her own departure for the continuent as a mark of respect for the decreased. If the

The courf efrcular referring to the death of The court efreular referring to the death of the grand duke of Hesse says: "Another heavy blow-has fallen on the queen, who feels that she loses a real son. The grand duke of Hesse was tenderly loved by the whole royal family."

FRANCE THREATENS GERMANY, Every Opportunity Will Be Taken Advan-

tage of to Recover Alsace-Lorraine. [Coppriohica, 1822 by James Garden Bennett.]
PARIS, March 14. - [New York Herald Cable-Special to The Ben.] - The European edition of the Herald recently published the replies received by the Figure from a number of notable Germans to whom that journal had put the question whether Germany would consent either to code Alsace-Lorraine back to France or to neutralize those provnces this (Monday) morning. The Figuro publishes a French view of the subject from the pen of M. Ernest Lovisse, professor of

the University of Paris.

He goes to the length of four and one half columns in the course of which he says: Your German correspondents say that Germany would feel insecure if Alsace was in the hands of France. Let them measure the distance from our old frontiers to Berlin and from our present borders to Paris. They have opened a bridge into the heart of France. We feel the breath of the enemy upon our necks."

upon our necks."

Going on to prove that the provocation for war is not likely to come from France, M. Lovisse shows how strong the party of order and sound sense has become in France, "The nation," he says, "is in arms but is not formed into a cast whose members burn to be soldiers, nor are its armic's commanded by a hereditary commander in the first who claims. hereditary commander-in-chief who claims a nereditary commander-in-chief who claims heritance by divide right. With us no one has a right to say to a recruit, 'you belong to me, body and soul, and if I order you to fire on your father you must obey.' Only the nation can move the French army, which is composed of the nation itself. No one in France can claim that his will is the supreme law. There is no one who the supreme law. There is no one who some fine morning without consulting any one can give the signal for war. The whole life of France is open to the day. She has no secret treaties to conceal. There is no country in the world where an offensive war would be more difficult not to an impossiwould be more difficult, not to say impossible for the government to undertake, than in rance.

Then taking up the historical and ethnological sides of the question, M. Lovisse concludes that no matter how long a period of years may elapse, France will never abandon her determination to be prepared to take possession of Alsace-Lorraine whenever an opportunity for doing so presents itself. France vill not go to war to recover the lost provinces, but when war comes she will take advantage of it to attain that end.

FUNERALS OF THE VICTIMS.

Heartrending Scenes at the Burial of the People Killed in Belgium Mine Accident. BRUSSELS, March 13.-According to a report of the Anderlues mine disaster sixtythree persons were rescued unburt, twenty injured and 153 were killed. Twenty thousand persons today attended the funerals of thirty one of the victims.

Trains for Anderiues were crammed with people and thousands walked from Charpeople and thousands walked from Charleroi. A chair with a plate on it was placed before each of the bereaved houses. Many widows and probably many imposters held plates and reaped a rich harvest. The municipal authorities have provided coffins for the victims. The scenes at the grave yard were heartrending throughout the funeral proceedings. The lamentations of the mourning were unceasing. Many men sobbed. Women became hysterical and breaking through the lines

hysterical and breaking through the lines would kiss the coffins, uttering touching exclamations of grief.

A suffocating smell of fire and steam still pervades the whole district. Police and militia continue to keep the crowds from the pits. A grand funeral service will be held tomorrow. It is feared that thirteen of the injured have no chance of recovery.

WON BY AN AMERICAN YACHT.

Vanuerbilt's Alva Wins in the Nice Regatta -Pork Inspection. Panis, March 18. - The event at the Nice regatta today was a close race between Buron Rothschild's "Eros" and Mr. Vanderbilt's 'Alva," the latter winning. Lord Dunraven's "Valkyrie" won a gold medal and £200 in a contest with four French and two thirty-three miles in five hours and forty-five

minutes in a light breeze. A squadron of hussars, now stationed at Marseilles, will go to Costa Belle to act as a guard of honor during Queen Victoria's M. Duclose, the French revenue expert

sent to the United States to inquire into the system of American inspection of pork, said system of American inspection of pork, said to an Associated Press reporter today: "Secretary Rusk's system is as perfect as anything can be. Everything goes like clockwork under the direction of Mr. Hickman, who is a real savant. I visited the different pork centers, and I came to the conclusion that it is neither possible nor advantageous for anybody to pack or export a single hog that has not undergone a micro-

RESTORATION OF THE GUELPH FUND Cumberland's Resignation of Kingly Rights

Framed in Ambiguous Language. BERLIN, March 13 .- The North Germa Gazette confirms the reports that high per sonages advised Emperor William in favor of restoring the Gueiph fund, and speaks of the satisfaction it will afford the widowed queen, Marie, that she has lived to see a reconciliation. It is not known whether or not the capital, about 4,000,000 marks, will be refunded. It will probably be an entailed fortune, and only the interest will be paid over. The Hanover estates will remain under Prussian administration until the claims to the throne of Hanover are explicitly renounced. The duke of Cumberland's letter, in which he speaks of hunself as "First," spolling the word with of nimself as "First," sporing the word with a capital letter, indicating royalty, and signing himself "Cousin and brother." The epistolary form used between sovereigns, leaves the renunciation somewhat ambiguous. A parliament is almost certain to sanction the agreement unanimously although some papers remark that considering the state of the national finances it was not necessary for Prussia to make the duke of Cumberlan such a large present,

SPANISH FLOODS. Railroad Traffic Interrupted and Much Suf-Madrid, March 13.—The damage caused by loods in the south is more extensive than was at first supposed. In almost every province railroad traffic is suspended, towns being entirely isolated. The deputies for Cordova, Seville, Granada and other towns in Andulesa are receiving many petitions from mayors and other officials appealing for government assistance. The statement of the minister of public works that there are no funds from which to draw for relief purposes has met with a storm of griticism from the press and the public. It has been decided that the government shall devote \$100,000 to relief measures. The gueen has given \$200,000 from her private purso.

Analchists Cause Alarm, Paris. March, 13. - Searches of houses known to be occupied by anarchists in Passy, Montroge and other suburbs, have resulted in the discovery that a number of the trusted servants of the targe residences are members of the anarchists associations. Scared by the rumors of a big anarchistic conspir-acy, a deputation of foreign residents of Passy today waited upon the mayor to ob-tain information. The mayor declared that there was no cause for alarm.

Railroad Consolidations. I ww York, March 13.-The negotiations which have been pending for the past two weeks for an action of the Tennessee Coal and Iron railroads with the Debardelban Coal company have been successfully con-summated. The terms have been agreed upon satisfactorially between these two, which is at present more than five-sixths of the entire interests involved. A general statement of the result of the negotiations was made yesterday by the presidents of the two companies, ex-Senator Thomas C. Platt of the Tennessee and Henry E. Debardelban.

of the Tennessee and Henry E. Debardelban, It may be said that there will be no change in the organization of the Tennessee Coal and Iron company except increased representation in the board of directors and an increase in the amount of capitalization.

The Tennessee Coal and Iron company at present own 28,000 acres of coal and iron land, chiefly in Alabama, and has ten olast furnaces and 1,100 coke ovens. Its daily output is about 1,000 tons of piz iron and 6,000 furnaces and 1,100 coke ovens. Its daily output is about 1,000 tons of pig iron and 6,000 tons of coal. The Debarasiban company represents the consolidation of a half dozen corporations. It at first absorbed the Bessemer Iron and Steel company, then the Little Belle, and next the Eureka, and then the Henrietta. This absorption has taken place within the last four years. This company upon 160 000 ages, of coal and tree lands in owns 160,000 acres of coal and iron lands in the Warrior and Tehaba coal busins of Ala-bama. It has seven blast furnances and 1,040 coke ovens. Its daily output is 700 tons of pig iron and 3,000 tons of coal.

RECIPROCITY WITH NICARAGUA. Freaty with That Country Made Public-

Some of Its Provisions. Washington, D. C., March 13 .- The president today made public a proclamation of reciprocity with Nicaragua, which republic agrees to admit, duty free, among other things these: Animals live, corameal, fruits, fresh or dried, cottonseed oil and other products of said seed, tar, rosin and turpentine, coal, mineral or animal wood, lumber in the rough or prepared for building purposes, houses of wood or iron, tools and implements for horticultural purposes, wagons, iron and steel in rails for railroads and ons, from and steel in rails for railroads and other similar uses and structural from for bridges and building purposes, wire for feaces, with or without barbs, clamps, posts, clips and other accessories of wire not less than three lines in diameter; machinery of all kinds for agricultural purposes and all parts of such machinery; forges, water pumps of metal, pump hose, sledge hammers, drills for mining pur-poses, fron piping with its keys and faucets, crucibles for meiting metals, iron water tanks and lightning rods, roofs of galvanized iron, gutters, ridging, clamps and screws for the same; books pamphlets and other printed matter; vessels and boats of all kinds, litted together or in parts; gold and silver in

builton, bars or coin. It is understood that packings or coverings in which the articles named in the foregoing schedule are imported shall be free of duty if they are usual and proper for the purpose.

HARRISON'S SPEECHES. They Have Been Issued in Book Form, Together with His State Papers.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 13.-Considerable excitement and comment has been caused by the issue at this time of a volume of President Harrison's speeches and papers. including his extemporaneous addresses made during the presidential compaign, and on his several tours since his election. The president's friends have based great claims for statesmanship and superior mental scope and resources on speeches and certain state papers, this book, containing all the works and speeches made, are regarded by anti-Harri-sou republicans as a shrewd move to parade his superiority for an evident purpose. point to the fact as significant that it has been contrived to insect the names of all the distinguished people, not overlooking demo-crats, who participated on the occasions when the speeches were delivered. The compiler, however, says he had the book in view ever since the last campaign closed and that its appearance at this time is with-out suggestion and has no political object.

TURNERS AT THE FAIR.

They Take Steps to Organize a National Association for the Occasion. CHICAGO, Ill., March 13.-The local German turner society has taken the initiative in inducing the national executive board of the German turner societies of the United States to take an official part in the World's fair with a view to exhibiting the German method of physical culture, the appliances and other means of developing the body and he mind. The national executive board St. Louis entrusted the management to the local district board and approved its course in appointing a commission of fifteen to act as a board of control. At the same time it vested the board with power to co-operate with German, Bohemian, Polish and Scanding vian turners not included in the North Ame ican turnebund, besides it is understood that it will appropriate \$50,000 towards the orec tion of a building on the World's fair grounds. This building is expected to be 200x400 feet in size, and additional money will be furnished by the unattached societies Today the commission met to hear reports of the commissions and to affect a permanent organization. The report of the committee on permanent organization provides that the North American turnsbund delegates its to a local directory of seven, who hall incorporate themselves for a term of five years under the name of "World's Fair Commission for Physical and Meutal Training of the North American Turnebund,"

TWO YOUTHFUL HEARTS UNITED. larriage of a Boy of 19 and a Girl of 16 Newark, N. J.

NEWARK, N. J., March 13 .- A sensation was created today in the lower part of this city on the discovery of the secret marriage of two minors. The groom was Joseph Cari and the bride was Annie Freelin, aged 16 years. The bride is an orphan, her father having died six weeks ngo, leaving her by his will \$10,000. The groom is the son of a poor widow. The pair went to Mr. Harris, a colored justice of the peace, to perform the ceremony on February 19, the boy representing himself as 19 years and the girls 17 years of age. They then went to their respective homes. Father Cody of St. James church deciares that the marriage is illegal and has appointed Owen Kane the girl's guardian. Mr. Kane will send her to boarding school and shortly will begin pro seedings for the annulment of the marriage I'ho boy's father will insist on the validity of the marriage.

TRAINMEN DISSATISFIED.

lows Employes of the Burlington Will Meet and Discuss Their Grievances. OTTUMWA, Ia., March 13-|Special Tele gram to THE BEE. |-Au important meeting of railroad conductors will be held at this city on the 20th to take steps to adjust alleged grievances of certain trainmen living in this city. The grievances these men urge is that the west division crews on the on the order of the Creston officials, have been running their trains to Murray, thus cutting off the earnings of crews on this di vision. The question has been taken u with the Order of Railway conductors an meetings at Aurora, Galesburg and other points have been held. The final moeting will be held in this city and the grievance properly arranged and presented to the "O. officials. It is thought the matter will adjusted amicably.

THOUGHT HIM A GREAT MAGICIAN.

With an Edison Phonograph Si Hassen Be-All Imposes on the Sultan of Morocco. New York, March 13.-Si Hassen Ben Ali the Moorish chief who left here last summer to collect rare exhibits from the African wilds for the World's fair, has commu with N. J. Riberly. The explorer states that he has arrived at Fez. When at the court of Muley Hassau, the sultan, he succeeded in creating a profound impression and en listed the sympathies and aid of the sultan mainly by means of an Edison phonograp which he caused to play "Yankee Doodle "Down on the Suwance River," and to de liver a Fourth of July oration on the spread eagle style. The sultan and court believed that he controlled spirits and furnished his with a special escort for his expedition

Rejoicing Over Mercier's Downfall. OUEBEC, March 13 .- The conservatives made a triumphal demonstration here last night in celebration of their defeat of Mer-cier. Numerous bands marched in the pro-cession and many of the paraders carried

Will Erect an Iron Palace. DULUTH, Minu., March 13 .- In connection with the iron development comes the plan for an iron palace as a feature of the Minnesota state building at the Columbian exposition. Commissioner Moore returned from St. Paul where he met the state committee of the World's fair. It is his idea that the iron palace be trimmed with the different varieties of building stone found in the state, such as those at Hunsdaie, Kettle River, Mankato, St. Cloud and Kasota, while Unri-ton county could furnish the necessary slat-sningles for roofing. All the Minnesota mining companies will be properly represented with samples of their ores

ERASTUS WIMAN TALKS WAR,

such He Thinks Will Be the Outcome of the Bering Sea Troubles. Cuicago, Ill., March 13 .- A war between England and the United States as the outcome of the Bering sea complications is seriously talked of by Erastus Wiman, the well known economist and financier. Mr.

Wiman is visiting friends in Chicago,

"The English government," said he, in an interview last night, "is under tremendous pressure now from the Canadian government, which being tory it complexion and strengthened by the recent elections is in a mood to insist that Canadian scalers be protected and given equal rights with Americans on the high seas. Bosides, the coming contest in England between the tories and Gladstone and the liberals makes it incumbent that a diversion of some kind be created to insure tory success at the polis. Nothing will so fire the British heart with enthusiasm as anything calculated to maintain the fiction that Brittania rules the wave, and under such circumstances it is not improbable that a vigorous foreign policy will provail during the coming summer, in which the peace of the world may be threatened. Actual hostilities are doubtful, but many, war has sprung from less serious cases, and

it is a fact that party exigencies have caused one-half of England's wars. At any rate, no party was ever in greater straits than is the tory party now.
"The threat of retaliation in the shape of abolition of the bonding privilege, which allows goods destined for Canada to pass through the United States without duties and vice versa, would be a two-edged weapon

far more hurtful to Chicago, Detroit, the twin cities, Boston and New England than to Canada. If this is the only retaliatory casure Canada has to fear, after he terrible exclusion imposed by the Mc Kinley bill it will have no effect on the popular sentiment in Canada except to solidify the adhesion to British connection and to strengthen the determination to keep inde-pendent of the United States."

DR. MILLER EXPLAINS. He Gives His Version of the Cleveland Inci-

dent to the Public. Dr. George L. Miller yesterday returned from Chicago and expressed much surprise that the newspaper reports of his reference to ex-President Cieveland's alleged criticisms of the democrats in congress had attracted so much attention. Dr. Miller fur nished the following statement for publica-

"OMAHA, March 13. -My attention has been called to a quotation of President Cleveland's which has been going the rounds of the press. It does both Mr. Cleveland and myself an injustice. I was speaking to the dom ocratic state committee against free coinage and to reinforce my views I impul-sively used the name of Mr. Cleveland. I did undoubtedly convey to the committee a stronger impression than I intended to do in the words I used. The fault was mine. I spoke with earnestness and freedom on the assurance that the discussion was purely private. My temarks were overheard by reporter in an adjacent hall, and went to the press and the country without any knowledge of mine. As to betrayals of confidence, there was none. Confidence was not enjoined in the letter, which was not even marked personal. In my discretion I decided when I received it not to publish it. The letter was written to me personally, in answer to an invitation to the Boya banquet, explaining the delay of Mr. Cleveland's reply because of his visit to the south.

HE PREFERRED DEATH.

Chicago Man Suicides Rather Than Be Separated from His Wife. DAYTON, O., March 13, - | Special Telegram to THE BEE. |- H. H. Hall, recently appointed engineer for the Chicago city vater works, committed suicide here this atterner Hall married the widow of Henry Melambrey, who was a merchant here and who died eighteen years ago. After her hus and's death she went west and met Hal vhose parents reside in Pullman, Ill. Hail' parents are wealiny and he was addicted to drink. He had trouble with his wife and she left him. While Hall was at Dwight Ill., being troated by the gold cure his wife got a divorce from him and married W. C. Brown, superintendent of a railroad at Racine, Wis, The marriage was kept a secret from Hall and his former wife came iere to hide from him awnile.

She was soon discovered and Hall came here to have a meeting with her. He put up at a hotel and employed the police to assist him to find her. She was discovered but would not have a meeting with Hall. He wrote her several notes and sent her several nessages, but she returned them all. In hi messages, but she returned them all. In his despair Hall bought a vial of morphine and drank about twenty grains of it at 3 o'clock and was dead in an hour. He left several letters to his mother and his sister, and gave his effects found on his person to his divorced wife. The remains were viewed by the cor mer and sent to the undertaker for furthe orders.

DEFAULTER O'BRIEN.

Catholic Knights of America Discuss His PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 13.-Members of the Catholic Knights of America resident in this city today talked freely of the dispatch printed in the morning papers concerning the efforts being made to settle the neavy defalcation of Treasurer W. J. O'Brien. The Inquirer says: "The agitation ove

O'Brien's stealing is attracting as much at tention in other cities as it is in Philadelphia There is reason to believe that the wors places of the defaulting officer have not been made public, and that it will be from here that certain information will go out, throwing light upon the manner in same possible for a great deal of the embez zlement to have been accomplished. One of the members in this city said that from the present appearances it would if the order loses \$60,000 surprising He added that it had been openly as-serted in Chattanooga, where the fugi-tive treasurer belongs, that there would be no prosecution of O'Brien at all. The ques-tion, he said, that was uppermost in the minds of all at this time was, had the senio supreme officers been blameless in the per-formance of their duties in connection with their supreme looting brother!"

SEEKING NEW HOMES.

settlers and Boomers Flocking to the Cheyenne and Arapahoe Reservations, GUTURIE, Okl., March 13 .- Many boomers are passing through here daily bound for the Cheyenne and Arapance Indian lands, which it is thought will soon be opened to settlement. Others who were unsuccessful in obtaining homes during the recent rush for the lows and other Indian lands and who have been camping about the city, are leaving for the new lands. It is estimated that 500 people are now gathered around the Chey enne lands waiting for the proclamation opening them to settlement. Prominent among the boomers are large numbers of negroes.

Killed His Assallant. GUTHRIE, Okl., March 18.-The news has ust reached here of a murder at Chandler which took place yesterday. Ames Zuic and George Barton, who occupy adjoining claims, engaged in a quarrel. Zule was armed with a Winchester. He fired, seri-ously injuring Barton. The latter, however, still had strength enough to continue the fight, and snatching the rifle from Zuie's hunds, discharged it, killing Zuie instantly. Barton's wound is a dangerous one and he will probably die.

Richmond Terminal Changes. ATLANTA, Ga., March 13 .- It is stated here on undoubted authority that a deal has been perfected by which the Righmond Termina perfected by which the Ruchmond Terminal property passes under control of the Baltimore & Ohio. John Inman is said to have engineered the matter and Mr. Oakma, formerly vice president of the Richmond & Danville, has been agreed upon to succeed Inman as president.

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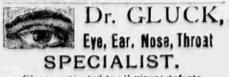
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