## LEADS THREE RAIDS DEWITTE HAS OTHER OBJECT DEATH FOR WILLIAM RHEA

Mrs. Nation Resumes Hostilities in Topeka and Continues Them All Day.

BEGINS BY SMASHING ANOTHER JOINT

Makes Mr. Murphy's Booze Emporium Look Johnstown After Flood.

COLD STORA ANT NEXT ENTERED press Germany even more than the United

Reduces to Kindling noy Bars Stored There and in a Livery Barn.

500 WARRIORS IN HER ARMY

Ministers, Women and College Boys Organize Secretly Under Her Leadership to "Smash"-Police Arrest Her Four Times.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 17 .- Mrs. Carrie Na tion put in a busy Sunday in Topeka today and as a result the capital city has experienced more genuine excitement than can e remembered by the oldest inhabitant Mrs. Nation literally crammed the day full of exciting episodes. She succeeded in having the contents of a notorious joint smashed, broke into a cold storage plant where a number of fine bars had been stored away for safety and demolished them, addressed a large mass meeting of men and women, and was arrested four times. The last time that the law laid work in Russia is the price of sugar, which its hands upon her was when Mrs. Nation | checks the consumption of tea. emerged from the church where the mass

meeting had been held. Tonight Mrs. Nation announces that she left off today and will not rest until all return cargoes to make a direct steamthe joints in Topeka have been closed. This morning at 6 o'clock she sailled forth burgh profitable. Therefore, they deplore from the state house grounds at the head of 500 men and women, all armed with the difficulties. hatchets and axes, and moved on the joints of the city. Nobody but Mrs. Nation knew what plans she had laid. In the crowd were a large number of the students of Washburn college, some of the ministers of the city and a number of professional and business men. The crowd marched in perfect military order. There was no excitement. The men and women were following their recognized leader, whom they trusted implicitly.

#### Smash Without Formality.

The company marched silently out of the work of demolition was commenced with- any difference in the existing rates. out preliminaries. Mrs. Nation, brandishing a new hatchet, had started the onslaught, uttering words of deprecation against the joint keepers as she deftly sent her weapon through the first plate- duty on sugar." says: glass window at hand. Others followed her lead quickly. Amid the shouts of the the policemen present, trying to protect have been taken by surprise and the Rus d everything smashable was attacked. Hardly five minutes after Mrs. Nation has begun the smashing what was once a well-

furnished joint was in complete ruins. Her work over, Mrs. Nation proudly emerged from the place only to be arrested. She went along with the officer, followed by her band and many people who had gath ered. At the police station she was released promptly and hurried back to her

She entered a livery stable in which some bars had been stored and smashed them. Then at the head of twenty-five of turers of agricultural implements in the her stoutest-hearted followers she went to the Morer cold storage plant and entered in the search of some liquor she thought tory tariff which the Russian government had been stored there. This time Mrs. intends to place in effect on March 1. The Nation was arrested by the county authorities and was taken to jail in a patrol wagon. It was afternoon before she was released from jail on bond, and after tak- to send out notices to all manufacturers in- garding the sale of the Danish West Indies ing dinner with Sheriff Cook she went to the First Christian church, where she was accested by an officer with a warrant and taken to the county fall again. She stayed this time for two hours and finally her bond was signed by one of the jointists of the city, a prominent negro politician. Campaign Arranged in Secret.

The gathering of the clans at the state house grounds was conducted with the utmost secrecy. Very few knew about the intended raid except those going to take part in it. At 4:30 o'clock dark, stlent forms might be seen hurrying across the diagonal walks and the lawns of the state house square toward the big ghost-like building in which the business of the state is transacted.

At every point of vantage in the grounds sentinels of the "army" were posted. These accosted each comer in true military style and obliged him to give an account of himself. If he wore a white handkerchief around his neck it was all right and he was allowed to proceed, as the white handkerchief was the emblem worn by the cru-

'What is your company?" one would ask of the other.

Company C. We meet over on the south steps of the state house." And so the questioning went on. Finally the army was massed in the dark, dismal corridor under the east steps of the capitol building and calmly awaited the coming of their leader. As they waited their number was augmented by many more men, who entered the state house grounds with a determined and grim look on their faces and with axes slung over their shoulders. Two men came in with great mining picks, and others had sledgehammers. These weapons were too large for the women, who composed one fifth of the party, and they carried bright new hatchets.

### Tranquilly Oversleeps.

Mrs. Nation overslept herself by one hour. Joint smashing, she explained, had aleep on account of the excitement it

But get in line there, men and women. she commanded, "we must be about the Lord's work now. Get your hatchets ready and follow me." And they did.

Two by two, with no excitement, weapons in hand, they moved out on their mission of destruction. In the front proudly marched Mrs. Nation, with her hatched raised proudly. Behind her were Mrs. Rose Christ and Miss Madeline Southard. who accompanied her on her trip to Chicago, and Dr. Eva Harding. Next came six Washburn college boys bearing an immense

battering ram. The crowd turned the corner at Sixth street and soon reached the front door of Murphy's fashionable joint. Four policemen stood at the door to guard the en-

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Discriminating Duty on American Imports Intended to Impress Germany.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 17.-Shrewd obsevers in St. Petersburg believe that the Russian minister of finance, M. De Witte, in imposing a discriminating duty on American manufactures of steel was not only animated by a desire to protect the Russian | Each Juror is Polled and Declares the sugar industry, but was eager to seize an opportunity to mobilize Russia's industrial army with a view to proving its ability to stand the test of a tariff war. It is believed, moreover, that he desires to im

The Russian press does not give any par ticular approval to the experiment. Bourse Gazette, usually influenced by the minister of finance, warns both sides against implicit faith in the Bismarckian heory that tariff wars do not disturb good political relations, pointing out that experience has shown the opposite to be the

case as a rute. "We hope the friction will be as quickly emoved as it arone," continues the Bourse Gazette, "since the political relations now existing between the two powers are the best they have ever known. Both are playing the game of the tertium gaudens, which is perpetrating a blow against both."

The Novosti, correctly representing Russian public opinion as to the Russian government's sugar policy, demands the abolition of the tax and of a system devised to enable a few lazy manufacturers to make enormous profits at the expense of the com-

Temperance Question Involved. The result of the export policy, the Novosti contends, is assigned principally to domestic high prices. It is well known that | read: one of the chief obstacles to temperance

Americans here have long been convinced that one of the most formidable obstacles and form as charged in the information. to the development of America's export will begin tomorrow morning where she trade with Russia is the lack of sufficient ship line between New York and St. Peters any action that would tend to aggravate

### Developments at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 .- Count Lichterveide, the minister to the United States order of the court and each man, as the from Belgium, says his government has question, "Was this and is this your vernot taken any steps looking to retaliation against the United States because of the duty on Belgium sugar imported into the and the jury polled. He sat erect in his rector in this association for a quarter of United States. The countervalling duty on Belgium sugar

Recently, as has been the custom annually, it has been restated or readjusted and this state house grounds, down Kansas avenue has given rise to the impression that the old man paced the corridors of the court to the place on East Seventh kept by Ed step was taken recently by this govern-When the joint was reached the ment. The readjusted duty makes little if LONDON, Feb. 18.—The St. Petersburg

correspondent of the Times, who describes the action of M. De Witte as "a reprisal strikingly disproportionate to America's

going on they must have been entirely expected. The jurors decline to discuss what erusaders and the dictatorial commands of conqueted in Washington. Russians here occurred in the jury room. ground on all sides. Next the door to the United States, express great regret was smashed in with an ax, the interior at the 'unfortunate incident' and a hope entered, and bar, kegs, bottles, mirrors that some amicable arrangement may be reached.

### IMPLEMENT MEN ARE STIRRED

Illinois Manufacturers Will Call Meet ing to Consider New Trouble Created by Russin.

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.-Stirred to the sense of the necessity for immediate action, the Illinois Manufacturers' association will endeavor to assemble the leading manufac United States in Chicago at an early date for the purpose of discussing the retaliadirectors of the Illinois Manufacturers' association will hold a conference here tomorrow, when arrangements will be made

It is understood that the manufacturers hope that the tariff may be changed.

### COLD DAYS FOR SPANIARDS

Thormometer Registers Eight Degree Below Zero and Snow Falls in New Pinces.

MADRID, Peb. 17 .- Throughout Spain the weather is intensely cold, the thermometer registering eight below zero. Snow has fallen in Palma, where snow storms have been practically unknown. A heavy gale is sweeping the southern coast and eight

small wrecks are reported from Cadiz. PARIS, Feb. 17.-Very severe weather and heavy snowstorms are reported throughout France. Snow has fallen at intervals dur ing the day in Paris. Snowfalls are also reported in Algiers, where several natives have been frozen to death. Telegraphic communication with the interior is par tially interrupted.

LONDON, Feb. 17 .- All Europe is experlencing a return of winter weather. Severe cold and snowstorms are reported from all parts of England, Germany, Italy, Austria and Prussia. The blizzard continues in the Odessa district. In Switzerland ments can be made many villages are cut off. Numerous deaths are reported.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 17.-Early this morning snow fell in this city and in the valley of Mexico. The ground being covered with snow in the higher suburbs where trees and tropical plants were beau tiful with a white mantle, greatly aroused the curiosity of the people and created gotten to be such an ordinary affair with much excitement. Snow has not fallen in her that she never had occasion to lose any this city before for nearly half a century. In the city, however, it melted as fast as fell

### DEATH BREAKS UP THE CRUISE

Lady DeGrey Feels that a Court A pointment Under Edward is Imminent

(Copyright, 1901, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, Feb. 17 .- (New York World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)-The An thony Drexel party for the Mediterranean cruise on the Margherita has been broken up by the leath of Queen Victoria, as Lady DeGrey is prevented from going by the im minence of her nomination to a court apway to the Greek isles. They will return to Cannes within a month.

July in Zahn Murder Case Finds Verdict in the First Degree.

TWENTY-TWO HOURS CONSIDERING CASE

Result to Be His Individual Choice-Prisoner's Father Much Affected.

FREMONT, Neb., Feb. 17 .- (Special Telegram.)-The jury in the Herman Zahn hours, brought in a verdict of murder in had agreed. Judge Grimison, the attorneys and clerk were sent for and the prisoner brought over to the court room. He slightly inflamed and swollen. As the jury flied past him to their seats in the box he eagerly scanned their faces. Their coun- state, tenances were pule and haggard and they

"Gentlemen of the jury, who is your foreman?" asked the judge: 'Fred Howe," was the answer.

'Mr. Howe, have you agreed upon your verdict?" "We have," replied Mr. Powe,

"You will deliver your verdict to the verdict.

The clerk unfolded the paper and slowly

that the defendant, William Rhea, is guilty of murder in the first degree in manner And we further do find, say and determine that the defendant, William Rhea, should houses of the legislature and that the govsuffer death. "FRED A. HOWE, Foreman."

### Falters at Death Sentence.

As Clerk Cruikshank read the last part of the verdict his voice faltered. He hesitated and continued in an awe-struck tone that the defendant, William Rhea, should suffer death." The jury was then polled by dict."" was asked him, answered "Yes." Not a muscle of the defendant's face

chair, his lips and teeth firmly set tohas been imposed for several years past. 3:15 he was taken back to the jail. Fifty it for eighteen years. people were in the room, among them William Klein, Rhea's father. Last night the house for hours, his wan, drawn face showing that he was suffering intense mental Hobart, who has been noted as a factor anguish. His pale face grew whiter, while his lips trembled and his body shook with the members of the old Saengerfest board mob, composed mostly of colored people suppressed emotion as he heard read the and also a director in the Saengerfest penalty his boy must pay for his crime. Rhea walked back to his cell as unconcerned as at any other time during the "If any official negotiations have been trial. The verdict was what was generally

### the property glass was soon crashing to sian papers, which are always well disposed OXLEY JURY SAYS GUILTY

Murder in Second Degree is Verdiet at Broken Bow, After Nine Hours' Deliberation.

BROKEN BOW, Neb., Feb. 17 .- (Special relegram.)-The jury in the Fullbart case reached a verdict at 3:30 this morning, finding Oxley guilty of murder in the second degree, after being out nine hours. The ballot stood at first nine for conviction and three for acquittal. The defanse will appeal the case in all probability.

### SAYS DANISH SALE IS OFF

Copenhagen Correspondent Claims that Steamship Company Prevents Uncle Sam's Island Purchase.

LONDON, Feb. 17 .- "The Danish government," says the Copenhagen correspondent of the Daily Mail, "has suddenly broken off all dealings with the United States reterested in the Russian trade, asking them This is due to a satisfactory offer made o attend the meeting. The chief object in by the Danish East Asiatic Steamship comcalling the manufacturers together will be pany to assist and in the future administer to canvass the situation with a view to its the islands. The American government has been notified as to this decision.

The Copenhagen correspondent of the will endeavor to get a sugar importer to Times says: "From a competent source ! protest against the tariff imposed on beet learn that the Danish West Indies will not sugar from Russia and thus carry the ques- be sold during the present parliamentary before the board of appraisers in the session. The syndicate will form a new Transatlantic Steamship company and undertake other commercial enterprises in connection with the islands, whose excellent ports will be, it is presumed, invaluable when the Nicaragua canal is finished

"The negotiations are still uncompleted but they will be settled before October and the perotiations with the United States will then be dropped. Mr. Anderson, a prominent director of the East Asiatic Steamship company, is among the most anxious to retain the islands."

### OIL WELLS IN THE GULF Secretary of War Gives Permission

for Sinking Them Near Sabine Pass.

AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 17 .- A special from Beaumont, Tex., says: Colonel W. H. Pope of this city and Judge O. M. Carter of Fort Worth have received permission from the secretary of war to sink oil wells in the Gulf of Mexico in the vicinity of what is known as the "oil pool," near Sabine Judge Carter says work will be com-

menced as soon as preliminary arrange

#### SIBERIA AND PORT ARTHUR Reported Russo-Chinese Agreement for a Railroad Connecting the Two.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 17.-It is re ported from Nagasaki that an agreement has been concluded between China and the Russo-Chinese bank for the construction of railway from Lake Baikal, Siberia, to Port Arthur. The bank, in return for constructing the line, gets the right to work it for thirty years. The same information aserts also that a line is projected from Hakhta to Pekin.

### THIEVES GET LEYDS' PAPERS Pranavant Diplomatic Agent Loses

Occuments in Mysterious Way at Brussels.

BRUSSELS. Feb. 17 .- Dr. Leyds, the Fransvaal diplomatic agent, returned here last night from The Hague. His baggage containing diplomatic papers. The police are investigating the matter.

Sends Police Bill Back to Legislature with Objection that it Favors Governor.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17 .-- It was learned to day that Mayor Van Wyck on Saturday evening returned to Albany the police bili with his disapproval attached.

The memorandum which the mayor sent o Albany with his veto is addressed: the Senate of the State of New York," and in part says:

"This bill abolishes the present Board of Police Commissioners in charge of the police department of the city of New York and transfers all their powers to a single commissioner to be named by the mayor, subject at all times to a power of remurder case, after being out twenty-two moval vested not only in the mayor, but also in the governor. The power of rethe first degree and fixed the penalty at | moval given to the governor is not limited death. A few minutes before 2 o'clock the in any way. It is not a power of removal turymen informed the balliff that they for cause and it does not require that the commissioner shall have any opportunity of being heard before his removal.

"The position of the commissioner to be looked paler than usual and his eyes were appointed under this bill is therefore that although a local office, his tenure of office is at the pleasure of the governor of the

"It is further provided in the bill that looked tired and weary after their night's no person the governor removes shall ever subsequently be appointed to the office. The whole purpose and effect of this disof removal vested in the governor is to completely nullify the power of appointment nominally given to the mayor. "This is a violation of the provisions of

the constitution, which guarantees to the bailiff. Bailiff, you will deliver the ver- inhabitants of the counties, cities, towns dict to the clerk. The clerk will read the and villages of the state the right to select their local officers. "This bill is an attack upon the constitu-

tional rights of local self-government. It "We, the jury, duly empaneled and sworn is all the more dangerous because the atin the above entitled case, do find and say tack is made in an underhand and indirect way. The mayor's message will reach Albany toworrow morning. It is believed that the

bill will be passed over his veto by both

#### ernor will then sign it. AFTERMATH OF FIGHT CASE

Mayor Fleischmann and W. N. Hobart Resign from Festival Board in Distavor.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 17.-Mayor Julius Fleischmann and W. N. Hobart have resigned as directors of the Cincinnati May tremendous blow on the head with the Musical Festival association. The mayor continued imposition of a countervailing changed while the verdict was being read sical events here. Hobart has been a diwas a liberal patron of the biennial mu- frightful manner. a century and connected with it since its seized by some neighbors. One of them, gether, with his eyes fixed on the clerk. At organization. He has been president of

to the contest that was scheduled for last Athletic association. Mayor Fleischmann had given the permit for the contest. While the promoters of the Jeffries-Ruhlin contest had much abuse berned on them. especially during the trial for an injuncciates in the festival directory were most severe and the retiring members do not care longer to be associated with them.

### COLONEL COOK IS GUNNING

Denver G. A. R. Man Goes Into Chicago to Make Trouble for Cleveland Enganament.

CHICAGO, Feb. 17 .- Colonel George W. Cook of Denver, past department commander of the Grand Army of the Republic of Colorado and Wyoming and a member of the national council of the Grand Army of the Republic, arrived here today for he purpose of arousing sentiment among the members of the order against the recent action of the executive committee of the council at a meeting in St. Louis in changing the place of the forthcoming enampment from Denver to Cleveland.

Mr. Cook declares that Denver has no been treated fairly by the executive committee and declared tonight that he had t "from most excellent authority" that a rominent member of the committee stated during the last encampment in Chicago that while Denver would be chosen here Cleveland would finally secure the prize. This alleged statement Mr. Cook quotes as evidence of the Insincerity which he

### M'CUTCHEON'S PENCIL IDLE George Ade Takes the Clever Car-

toonist South to Recuperate in Health. CHICAGO, Feb. 17 .- John T. McCutcheon,

he well-known Chicago artist and newspaper man, who spent two years in the Philippines and who for several weeks has been seriously ill with pneumonia, will be taken to Asheville, N. C., in a short time. Unfortunate symptoms developed during the past week and his friends became alarmed at his condition. As a consequence arrangements have been made for a private ar, which will be placed at the disposal of Mr. McCutcheon. Trained nurses will accompany him, as will also George Ade, his lose friend and colaborer.

The doctors who have attended Mr. Mc-Cutcheon declare that the tropical fever has so infested his entire system that nothing but a change of climate can save his

### WITH VICTORIA AS A MODEL

Clara Barton Assists in Organizing Association for Better Education of Women.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 17.-The National institute, an association formed for promoting the higher education of women, has determined to raise a fund for the establishment of university scholarships that shall bear the name Victoria Foundation and which shall serve to keep before young women of the future the high ideal womanliness and domestic virtues, coupled with the studious and progressive spirit as exemplified in the life and character of the late Queen Victoria. Clara Barton of Washington will be the

### treasurer of the fund. NATHANIEL SWIFT IS DEAD

Brother and Partner of the Ment Packer Dies with Congested

CHICAGO, Feb. 17.-Nathaniel Swift, a

brother of Gustavus F. Swift, the millionaire packer, died here today after an illness of four days, the immediate cause of his demise being congestion of the brain. Mr. Swift was born in Sagamore, Mass was placed for a moment in the vestibule 63 years ago. He was ordained a minister of his residence and shortly afterwards of the Methodist denomination and took pointment. Others, also, are detained in it was ascertained that thieves had entered his first pastorate at Eastham, Mass., when England. The Drexels are now on their the house by false keys and stolen a valise he was only 22 years old. In 1875 Mr. Swift gave up his ministerial duties to enter into the packing business with his brother.

## VAN WYCK DISAPPROVES IT MURDERS HIS STEPDAUGHTER

Hall Frampton Kills Ella Clark in Nebraska City.

BATTERS HER SKULL AFTER SHOOTING

Angry Mob Follows Him to Jail and Lack of Leadership Alone Prevents an Immediate

Lynching. NEBRASKA CITY, Feb. 17.-(Special Telegram.)-One of the most brutal murders in the history of Nebraska City was

ommitted this evening shortly after 6 o'clock, when Hall Frampton, a colored man, shot his stepdaughter, Elfa Clark, commonly known as Ella Frampton. The assault took place at their home on North Sixth street, in a part of town mostly uhabited by colored folks. Frampton had been drinking hard all day and some time

before the shooting took place had quar-

reled with his wife, and as a result had

packed up his belongings, with the intenion of leaving home. He tried to induce his wife and stepdaughter to go into the kitchen, to look over his things, but the sight of a double qualification and of the arbitrary power barrelled gun standing against the wall caused them to hesitate. As they turned to go he grabbed up the gun and fired one

barrel, narrowly missing his wife, Both mother and daughter ran toward the Missouri Pacific Railway crossing, fifty yards distant, where they separated, the girl running down the track to take refuge n the house of Mrs. Thompson. Frampton followed, gun in hand, threatening to shoot them both if he caught them.

#### Tries to Stop Him.

He was caught and held until it was hought the girl was safely beyond his reach, but he ran through the house and managed to overtake her within a few yards of their home, where he fired the remaining barrel at her. The charge entered her head under the right eye came out through the ear. She fell from Injured: the sidewalk down a small embankment. Not satisfied with this, he jumped down after her and kicked her violently several times about the face.

As he turned to leave he noticed a slight movement of her limbs and in order to finish his horrible crime he struck her a stock of his gun, fracturing her skull in a

He immediately hid his gun in a nearby sewer and was about to flee, when he was Elmer Ingram, started up town with him. but when in the middle of the Sixth street These resignations are due to the opposi- bridge Frampton showed fight. In the tion of others in the May festival directory scuffle that followed Frampton was thrown off the bridge, landing on his shoulders in Friday night between Jeffries and Ruhiin. the soft mud below, unhurt. More neighbors arrived on the scene and he was taken in public-spirited enterprises, is one of to the county jail, followed by an angry who seemed bent on administering punishment on the spot. It was only lack of

#### leadership that prevented a lynching. Too Much Liquor the Cause. Trouble in the Peampton family has been

rather common of late and all seemed to be the result of too much liquor. He is under bonds to keep the peace as a result of a hugh Lee, talking to the Kansas City disturbance a short time back, but until Social Order of the Loyal Legion at a by her officers to be of a trivial nature. today had shown no disposition to be ugly. dinner at the Coates house held in memory No damage was done to the gun, except to from Loy Washington, also colored, early battleship Maine, said: n the afternoon, tends to strengthen the

everal times before almost white, and was considered one of as sure and strong." he brightest girls in her class. Her asso-

lates were mostly white. her last hours as comfortable as possible. Dr. Wilson was immediately called, but hours.

### DEWET IN A SORRY PLIGHT Telegraph's Correspondent

Says Boers' Horses Are

Exhausted. LONDON, Feb. 18.-A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from De Aar, dated February 16, confirms the report of the arrival there of Lord Kitchener and his staff to superintend the chase of General Dewet

The correspondent says: "Dewet's force is now denuded of almost all transport vehicles and his horses are exhausted." Other South African dispatches report

that several columns are pursuing General Dewet's, whose whereabouts are not indicated. The Times' correspondent at De Aar confirms the report that DeWet's commando is "extremely exhausted" and "harassed on all sides." He adds: "Unfortunately the heavy rains have handleapped the

ment of the British troops from the north The country is reduced to a swamp. The rise of the Orange river has only prevented the co-operation of General Bruce-Hamilton's column in the enemy's rear. The enemy gets sympathy, but few recruits, except mere youths. They are armed with Lee-Metfords

## ELUDES FRENCH'S VIGILANCE

Carolina Commando Breaks Through to the West. LONDON, Feb. 18 .- Dispatches from Pretoria announce that the Carolina commando

has broken through General French's cor-

Pretoria Dispatches Announce tha

SURPRISE THE INSURGENTS Fifth Infantry Detachment and Scouts Outwit Villamor and Alejandros, Two Leaders.

MANILA, Feb. 17.-Eighty men of the Fifth United States infantry and a detachment of scouts surprised the insurgent leaders. Villamor and Alejandros, near Paperia. Villamor was wounded.

There have been further incriminating developments in the charges against Dr. M. M. Carman, the American contractor, who with his partner, Thedorio Carranza, a Spanish merchant, was arrested Februar; 6, charged with furnishing supplies to aid the insurgents. Proof has been secured of his dealings with the rebels, showing that he supplied them with uniforms, visions, money and some arms. The investigation will be continued.

Many insurgent officers are surrendering

Bold Attempt on Loganport Man. LOGANSPORT, Ind., Feb. 17.—A bold attempt was made here tonight by an unknown man to assassinate Carl F. Isecker, a prominent young citzen of this city, as he was seated in his home. A shot from a 3s-caliber revolver was fired at Becker, the bullet narrowly missing his head. Neither the identity of the would-be assassin or his motive is known.

Temperature at Omaha vesterday:

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p. m 42
p. m 10
p. m 38
p. m 36

## VAN METRE SAYS HE LIED

Admits that If You See It in His DREAM STORIES ARE PROVEN UNTRUE Waterloo Tribune It Isn't Likely to He So.

CHICAGO, Feb. 17 .- A dispatch to the Chicago Times-Herald from Waterloo, Ia. Bays:

"Editor I. Van Metre of the Waterloo Tribune, whose purported interview with Pat Crowe and confession from him in regard to the Cudaby kidnaping case has gone broadcast over the country, today declared

the whole matter a heax." In his explanation of the story the Iowa editor states that the day before the publication of his weekly paper found him without enough matter to fill his columns. and that, believing It would not be taken seriously, he wrote and published the Pat Crowe yarn.

#### WASHOUT CAUSES BAD WRECK Fireman and Three Passengers Killed and Others Injured Near Mills

City, Nevnda.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 17.-The Southern Pacific limited easthound express, which left tere at 10 a. m. yesterday, was wrecked at Mills City, Nev., last night. The fireman and three passengers were killed. The conductor, engineer, one brakeman, two postal clerks and one passenger were injured. The dead

ADOLPH BISSENGER AND WIFE, San Francisco. CLINTON R. COULTON, San Francisco. B. L. WHITTAKER, fireman

Engineer George Abbey. Postal Clerk C. A. Schuyler. Postal Clerk J. C. Corin. Slightly injured: Miss Bissenger, whose parents were among the killed. All the passengers were badly shaken up.

The train ran into a washout, which

Conductor Markle.

was caused by a cloudburst. All trains east and west were abandoned for fortyeight hours. Adolph Bissinger was a member of the firm of Bissinger & Co., dealers in wool, leather and hides. Clinton R. Coulter was the superintendent of the Pacific Coast Sup-

ply company. Later advices place the time of the wreck at 6 o'clock this morning. The killed were in the composite car, which was telescoped by the sleeper. About sixty feet of track was washed out by the cloudburst.

#### GENERAL LEE ON THE NAVY Says it is a National Pride and Should Be Kept Rendy for All Embegenetes.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 17 .- General Fitz-The fact that he had borrowed a gun of the anniversary of the destruction of the the rifling. A premature discharge of one "The American navy is a pride to the

belief that he was out for trouble, al- nation and it should be looked after, for giving an account of the bursting of a shell though he had made similar threats to kill it would be of importance if there ever in the bore of one of the big thirteen-inch The murdered girl was 15 years old and the future. No nation could send an army sarge has been received at the bureau of student in the eight grade of the Sixth to this country and be successful and we ordnance of the Navy department. The acstreet school. She was very light, in fact want a navy which would be a defense cident occurred several weeks ago while Anent his appointment as brigadier gen-

room and everything was done to make ture, General Lee said: "How long do I expect to remain in the active service? It may be for a year and it may be forever." and say that such explosions occur occacould not save her and she died in a few and then he added seriously that next sionally. It is probably the first time, howdefinite.

#### the general here and left for Huachuca Ariz., where Mrs. Lee goes for her health. General Lee returned to Omaha

MAY NOT BE THE LUCERNE'S Some Disbelieve that the Wreckage Near Bacillies is From that

Vennet. ST. JOHNS, N. F., Feb. 17.-There is now decided conflict of opinion with reference to the identity of the wreckage near Bacillieu. All who went to the scene on the government tug Ingraham assert that the wreckage shows no indication of having belonged to the Lucerne. On the other hand, the agent who went to the scene first | Regis the manager wanted him and the eninsists with equal positiveness that he saw gineer mounted the tricycle with the negro.

much material which had unquestionably belonged to that ship. brightens the outlook for the friends of and butchered Mrs. Bourgeois and her two the crew of the Lucerne, leading them to bables and ransacked the house. Two boys believe it may be adrift somewhere, though

disabled. The telegraph operator at Perlican wires that nothing had been found up to nightfall that would help unravel the mystery.

### ARREST SENTER'S PROSECUTOR E. R. Bartlett of Memphis Charged

with Forgery and Altering Rec-

ords in Recorder's Office.

MEMPHIS, Mo., Feb. 17 .- (Special Telegram.)-E. R. Bartlett, real estate and loan agent of this city, was arrested in his office on a charge of forgery and alter ing records in the recorder's office. The accused appeared before Judge McKee in the circuit court, entered a plea of not guilty and gave bond for his apearance Monday. Mr. Bartlett was one of the attorneys for the prosecution in the trial of Thomas R. Senter, who was convicted of forgery at Blue Earth, Minu., Wednesday Bartlett was said to be the author of a circular sent broadcast over Minneaota charging that a band of forgers and outlaws was located in Scotland county, with

#### ARREST WIFE AND DAUGHTER Officers Accuse Them of Potsoning John Commins' Coffee and Causing His Death.

headquarters at Memphis. This accusation

is most emphatically denied by citizens

of Memphis.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 17 .- Sheriff Cook today arrested Mrs. Maggie Cummins and ber 14-year-old daughter, Edna, on a warrant issued in Jefferson county, charging them with the murder of John Cummins, quarryman, the divorced husband of Mrs Cummins. The daughter is charged with putting poison in the coffee drank by the which resulted in his immediate father, death. Mrs. Cummins is charged with instigating the crime. The body was exhumed and the stomach removed and subtected to a chemical analysis.

# CONDITION OF THE WEATHER CAUCUS TO CONTINUE

Republican Legislaters Will Confer Again on Senatorial Situation.

PROGRESS MADE DURING LAST WEEK

Election of Senators Seems Much Nearer Than Seven Days Ago.

Events Show the Accuracy of The Bee's Fublished Forecast.

NO INTENTION OF ABANDONING THE WORK

Cancus Will Continue Until a Choice is Made and the Election in Open Session is Consummated.

LINCOLN, Feb. 17 .- (Special Telegram.) The senatorial contest will be resumed omorrow in double form: First, in the open session of the foldt assembly, and second, in the secret caucus of the republican members.

While the choice of senators has not yet been effected, no one will deny but that progress was made during the last week. When The Bee reviewed the situation a week ago, outlining the position of the various candidates and forecasting an early agreement upon terms for a caucus, other papers were proclaiming that a caucus was more remote than ever, if not altogether an impossibility. The forecast of the caucus materializing even sooner than was expected, the acceptance of the demand for a simultaneous ballot by the followers of Thompson, Meiklejohn and Currie, bringing about the immediate signature of the caucus paper by the entire republican

membership. Nothing could disprove so effectually the false reports about Mr. Rosewater standing in the way of a caucus and blocking every effort to secure a caucus agreement and when the caucus met Tuesday night the Douglas delegation was not only promptly on hand, but stayed through to the finish. The caucus will unquestionable continue to hold its sessions until a choice is reached on two senatorial nominations under the conditions prescribed in the call, because to abandon this caucus would practically mean the abandonment of caucus action altogether, as it would be impossible to secure the necessary sixty-seven signatures to another caucus agreement, at least so long as Mr. Thompson is in the field.

## KEARSARGE IS NOT INJURED

Explosion of Thirteen-Inch Gun Treated Ligthly by Officers of the Ship.

PENSACOLA, Fla., Feb. 17.-The accident to one of the thirteen lach guns on the battleship Kearsarge while she was cruising recently off Key West in the Gulf of Mexico, as reported last night, is said

of the shells was the cause. WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 .- A mail report should be a war with a foreign nation in guns of the United States warship Kearthe ship was at target practice off Pensacola. The damage resulting is said to eral in the regular army and the report be not serious and consisted mainly in the After being shot she was carried to her that he would be retired in the near fu- deforming or "gouging" of the tube. This will not prevent the gun being used again The naval officials treat the matter lightly summer would probably be a little more ever, that an explosion has occurred in one of the thirteen-inch guns. The pe-

#### Mrs. Lee and her daughter accompanied cuniary loss will not be very large. **NEGRO PAYS QUICK PENALTY** Is Hanged and Riddled for Murdering

n Man and Butchering Rest of Family. NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 17 .- A negro named Thomas Jackson was lynched today at St Peter, a station on the Texas & Pacific road about twenty miles above this city, for a flendish series of crimes. This morning at a o'clock he visited the home of Alexander Bourgeois, the engineer of the drainage machine on Belle Point plantation, some distance from the plantation quarters, geing there on a railway tricycle. He told Bour

A little further on Jackson stabbed the engineer in the back and threw the body The absence of precise information into a ditch. He then returned to the house were visiting the family, and when they caught the first glimpse of the attack on Mrs. Bourgeois they hid in the woods. After the negro's departure the boys went to St. Peter and gave the alarm, returning with

a mob of several hundred men. The negro was traced to his home and identified by the boys. He was hanged and his body riddled with bullets before the

#### sheriff arrived. ASPHALT TROUBLE NOT ENDED Minister to Venezuela Adjusts it Tem-

porarily, but Violence Still

Thought Possible. WILLEMSTAD, Island of Curacoa, Feb. 17 .- (Via Haytlen Cable.) -The asphalt controversy has been temporarily adjusted by the diplomacy of the United States minister to Venezuela, Mr. Francis B. Loomis, and the matter will doubtless go to the courts, as it is reported that the United States government desires a format adjudication as to the rival interests in-

volved. It is understood that Mr. Loomis has conveyed a request to this effect to the Venezuelan government. Should the decision be against the New York and Bermudes company, then the question of intervention will be opened afresh. Trouble is feared at Pitch lake should an attempt to eject the New York and Bermudes company be made before a decision is reached by the courts.

#### **NEW SOUTH WALES OBJECTS** Replies to Milner that It Wants No Recruiting Done There for African War.

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Feb. 17 .- Sir Alfred Milner, having notified the government of Now South Wales of his intention to send an officer to recruit in Australia for the South African constabulary, the government has replied that the colony objects to such a proceeding.