disaster for at least a week or two. One report places the number of stroyed. dead in Tahiti and adjacent islands as

which swept over the Society islands. subjects was entirely destroyed, and There is no cable communication with one American named Seefeldt, who Samoa and the department does not lived near by, battled for hours with expect to hear any official news of the the waves before he was rescued Many fine homes in Taumao were de

The heaviest loss of life, it is high as 10,000 and the property loss at | feared, occurred in the lagoons of the \$5,000,000, but this could not be con- Tuamotu Islands, the guardian of the firmed by officers of the steamer Mari- quarantine station being among those posa, which has arrived at San Fran- who perished. The schooner Papeete cisco from the scene of the disaster. was submerged near Anaa, and the It is affirmed beyond doubt, however, sailors had to be lashed to the vessel.



The Position of the Isles Swept by the Great Storm Is Shown by the Map. The Pictures Are Those of a Native and Harbor Scene.

TAHITI

The officials of the Department of State have received no advices re- ly swept away. A settlement of sev- sustained damages to the extent of garding the tidal wave and hurricane eral hundred Cook Islanders, British about \$100,000.

Wonderful Machine Used by United States Coast Survey. A machine that prophesies is an

Washington, D. C., which can and does like of which exists in no other army probably outrank those of any other predict the time of high and low tide than the French. One of the ast de- state. It could with equal fitness be for a given locality, and makes these crees signed by M. Loubet has been styled the foremost cattle state; and, predictions for a year in advance. Its that conferring the Cross of the Le- judging from its famous undeveloped performance is not limited to a year, gion of Honor upon the regiment, iron ores, it may become a center of but that is the maximum of work it is which will now display the order on metallurgy. With but a fraction of usually called upon to do. It is com- its colors. The Foreign Legion con- its acres devoted to grain, it produces pact and delicate to a degree not easy sists solely of foreigners, chiefly nearly 200,000,000 bushels a year of to appreciate. To make these tidal Alsatians, Germans, Italians and Span- wheat, corn and other grains. On 15,predictions, which are issued in the lards. All, of course, are volunteers, 000,000 acres it is annually growing form of a fat book of tables every and many are deserters from their nearly \$300,000,000 worth of agriculyear by the survey, the machine is own country. Yet these men have tural products. Texas is an empire first set, then operated by hand. As time after time stood by their adopted with less than one-tenth of its area unmay be surmised, the setting of the flag to the last gasp, and no French der cultivation-a fraction so small machine is the point at which accurate | regiment has a higher record for sheer | that it might be cut off one side the mechanism and the human brain join gallantry than the Foreign Legion .- state without being missed from the forces. There are nineteen factors to Paris Letter to London Telegraph. be determined in making tidal predictions. Each factor alters all the rest. Hence the machine is so constructed that an alteration of one factor has its effect on the others. How this is done is understood in a mea ure by noting that there is a getting of nineteen dials, with pointers. Each pointer is on a pulley mounted eccen trically on its shaft, and over this pulley passes a chain which goes from one to another. Obviously if the eccentricity of one pulley is altered it has its proportionate effect on all the rest. The engine was invented by Prof. William Ferrell, who presented it to the government without charge for his idea. It cost originally but \$3,500 and does the work of forty expert computers.

Virtues of the Apple.

An apple eater is rarely either dyspeptic or bilious. The apple is an excellent dietetic remedy and corrective, acting beneficially upon the liver. It mediately. It is invaluable in curing hemorrhoid disturbances, and prevents the development of stones in the bladder and liver. It is a good preventive of sore throat, and bephorous that it contains, possessing more of this element than any other fruit or vegetable. It is regarded as a valuable brain and nerve food.

Made Fortune Breeding Sheep. Charles Cunningham, a native of thirty years ago and got a job as sheep herder. In a year or two he went into partnership with a friend bought him out. Gradually he inknown as "the sheep king" of the a sum not far from a million. He was the first to bring imported sheep into Umatilla county, Oregon.

The stock of tools increased slowly ply of raw material diminished, the latter was supplied by the manufacture of artificial flakes. When the lesson of associating definite forms the next few months. He will be of implements with definite uses was | taught all kinds of deals. Young Morlearned, special types arose, notably the almond shaped implement and the poniard. Then came the transition from the eolithic to the paleolithic, and man is on at least prehistoric

A Point in Military Etiquette. It has always been a moot point in a lady on his arm. This delicate by the issue of an official army order. In future, if the lady is taking the arm of the officer, then he can, and must, give the salute with his left. But if, as a favorite custom is, the officer is taking the lady under the arm, he has to disengage himself and salute regularly with his right.

suburbs. The building of the Amer- All the important buildings on Mo-ISLANDS ican consulate and French government tauta Island were destroyed. Throughity, and a general appeal for succor tives. has been made.

building collapsed and the English out the path of the storm breadfruit, consulate was seriously damaged. It cocoanut, banana and plantain trees will require years to restore the is- were blown down, and the result will lands to their former state of prosper- be a tremendous hardship to the na-The islands Moorea, Huaheni, Rait-

The village of Tarona was completed tia and Tohaa, of the Society group,

French Foreign Legion Has High Record for Gallantry.

greater havoc was wrought in the church in Fanaran were washed away.

Great honor has been done to that engine in use by the coast survey at unique corps, the Foreign Legion, the whose magnitude of granite deposits

He Accused.

returned indictments for murder mineral resources defying description, against Charles H. Moyer, William D.



Haywood, George A. Pettibone, Harry Orchard and Steve Adams. Their trial is set for April 24.

A separate indictment, covering the same charge, was returned against Jack Simpkins, who is not yet in cus-

Protecting the Forest Preserves.

The government has recently sold to be cut on the Yellowstone Forest reserve in Montana. After the fire, nished room, the best public automo spruce and pine ties are cut and rein the sheepraising business, but soon moved there will be left a plentiful stand of young timber which in a few creased his flocks until he became years will be of mechantable dimensions and find a ready market. By preventing the raids of thieves and the destruction by fire, they may be made a source of revenue for all time.-Philadelphia Record.

> Young Marshall S. Morgan, son of the multimillionaire traction magnate, Randall Morgan of Philadelphia, has gone to work as a clerk in the office of the Cincinnati Traction Company. There he will acquire education for gan's duties are not confined to any special class of work. He will look into the street car building and street car running and street car line manipulation in all the various ramifica-

The Christian Gentleman.

pride themselves upon their gruff- he ate mutton before playing the part ness, and though they may possess of lover, beef before playing that of virtue, their manners make them in- murderer, and pork before assuming tolerable. The finest gentleman that the character of a tyrant. That may ever breathed was the Model Man of be merely a story or a fact, but it is Nazareth. And if Christianity has no a well-known truth that beef will enhigher recommendation, Hare's state- able more exhausting muscular work ment in "Guesses of Truth," "the to be done than will mutton. So there Christian is God Almighty's gentle may be something in the "roast beef man," that alone makes it an invalu- of old England." In the eighteenth able element in society.—Dr. Madison | century this was one of the English

FORETELLS ACTION OF TIDES. | SERVE ADOPTED COUNTRY WELL | BEAUTY AND RICHES IN TEXAS.

Great State in Itself a Magnificent Empire. The new Granite State of Texas,

other; with a population of 3,000,000, and easily able to support 50,000,000, FOUR ARE UNDER INDICTMENT. with a variety of soils suitable for every crop from that of the tropics to Informer is to Stand Trial with Men that of the higher altitudes of the temperate zone, with great water powers yet unutilized; with a wealth of a beauty of mountain scenery unknown and unappreciated by the world at large, and a charm of climate unsurpassed in the United States, varying from cold regions like the northwest to sunny areas where roses bloom throughout the winter.-Chicago Tribune.

Schwab's Gift to Native Town. A New Yorker who is constantly doing generous acts without attracting special attention to them is Charles M. Schwab, the young steelmaster. He was born in the village of Williamsburg, the sleepiest place in Pennsylvania, except Loretto, to which his family moved. When Schwab got rich he built a paper mill at the place of his nativity, "merely to liven it up." He made it a co-operative affair and got everybody interested. He supported the enterprise until it was upon a self-supporting basis and then he turned it over to the town. It is quite a money maker and has lessened the taxes no-

International Exposition Prizes.

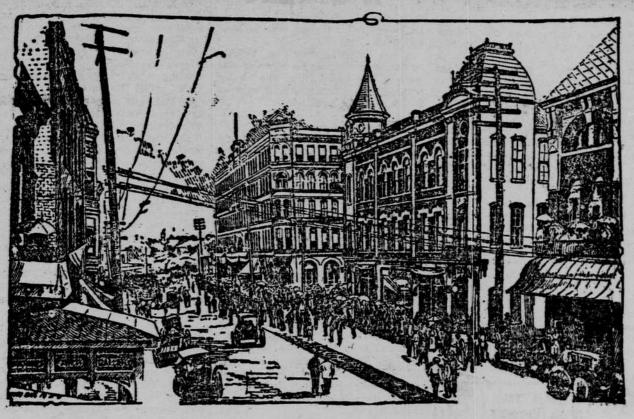
In connection with the coming international exposition at Milan the king of Italy will give \$16,000 in prizes, as follows: Two thousand dollars each for the most artistically furbile, flying machine, workingmen's house, and the most useful invention for Italian industries and \$1,000 each for the best automatic coupler motor boat, best means for distribution of milk, best brass band, best horse exhibit and the best indicator for highpower currents. The prizes will be awarded to any one exhibiting at the exposition and the competition is open to the world.

Bering Strait. The narowest part of Bering strait, which separates Asia from America, is near 66 deg. lat., between East Cape, in Asia, and Cape Prince of Wales, in America, where the capes approach within 36 miles of each oth-

er. The English channel at its narrowest point at Dover, England, is 20 miles across to the French coast. The length of the Panama canal will be 47 miles, the breadth 100 feet, and the minimum depth of water 35 feet. The estimated cost is over \$225,000,-

It is said of Kean, the actor, that

Progressive City of the Southwest Suffered Severely from Cyclone



Scene on the Principal Retail Thoroughfare on a Busy Day.

There is not a city in the South- | MISS REID POPULAR IN LONDON. | NICHOLAS "TSAR" OF RUSSIA. east that has made greater strides in Meridian, Miss., almost wiped out by the cyclone of March 2.

Agriculture and manufacturing industries constitute the wealth of the Reid has been the magnet that drew place. There were within the city many of the best known noblemen of limits four cottonseed oil mills, one | England to the brilliant social funclarge cotton factory, a fertilizer fac- tions of the Reids since their introtory that was built with a capital of \$300,000 and manufacturing plan for | She has been escorted on occasions by soap, leather, drugs and candy, and also a number of extensive brick yards.

The immense machine shops of the Northeastern railroad, employing creasing hourly. about 600 hands, had their location

The city has always been reckoned one of the cleanest as well as one of the prettiest towns in the South, the business section being about 350 feet above the sea level, with the many beautiful residences of the inhabitants overtopping the business district by about a hundred feet.

Meridian is also noted as being the leading educational institutions of the From the farming districts within

150 000 to 175 000 bales of cotton are shipped into the city each year. Some idea of what the extensiveness

of the city's industries were can be obtained from the following figures:

Value of cotton annually marketed there, \$5,000,000; increased value from manufactured cottons, \$200,000; annual cottonseed crop, \$1,000,000; annual pay rolls of Meridian's factories, \$650,000; annual pay rolls of the railroads there, \$500,000; sawmills in Meridian territory (cutting yellow pine), 370; (cutting hard wood), 17.

Clerk McDowell of the house of representatives has issued a vest-pocket directory of the house, giving names of the members, their residences and their committee rooms. "What's this, Aleck?" asked a disgruntled member who came into the clerk's office after he had had a session with the speaker about getting recognized to call up a bill, "That's a vest-pocket directory of the house," Clerk McDowell replied. The member examined it care-"Seems to me like a rotten waste of money," he said finally. "You could have made it a heap smaller and more accurate if you had printed Speaker Cannon's name in it and let it go at that. If he ain't all there is

eat my hat."-Chicago Chronicle. Andrew Carnegie a Musician.

It is a fact not generally known that Andrew Carnegie's patronage of music and his penchant for giving away church organs as well as libraries is the result of a well-ordered musical taste resulting from a considerable education in that line. When Mr. Carnegie was a young man in Pittsburg he was a student under George Murray Alexander, who was for many years organist in one of the larger churches. At that time Mr. Carnegie gave his attention to the violin and although he never won fame, his intimates say he even yet gets out his of the old-time tunes.

Horses Badly Mixed Up.

E. E. Andrews of Norway, Me., went west a while ago and purchased a carload of horses. He saw them loaded and then came on east. When they arrived he found that the car which bought. Investigation of the mystery showed that the horses had been taken out at Montreal for water and

Magnificent Throne Room.

The throne room of the royal palace at Madrid is one of the most in red and gold, it contains rock crystablets and priceless porphyry. The "Majesty of Spain," in illustration of the virtue of kings and the manlied in the different costumes of the

progress than the devastated town of Daughter of American Ambassador May Wed English Peer.

Is Miss Jean Templeton Reid, daugh-Advantageously situated upon five ter of the American ambassador. different railroad lines that stretch out | Whitelaw Reid, about to lose her heart from the city in all directions through | to some dashing English peer? Those the fertile agricultural lands and the who are in a position to speak with forests of the surrounding country, it authority upon this interesting topic has advanced in population from 4,000 assert with positiveness that the quespeople in 1880 to 24,000 at the pres- tion will soon be answered in the affirmative.

It is a recognized fact that Miss duction into the official life in London. peers whose names have been identified with English history since the Norman conquest, and it is noted that her popularity in court circles is in-

While Miss Reid is devoted to her parents and brother, she finds time to make social calls and attend parties which throw her in contact with the most illustrious young men of the period, and it is a significant fact that her name has been added to visiting lists which, before her advent, had been barred to the average American woman of wealth and position. What this means the future may disclose. home of the East Mississippi Female but in the meanwhile the subject is College, considered to be one of the engrossing society to the exclusion of other topics.

Ambassador Reid has rented the beautiful old Bedfordshire seat of the a radius of 10 miles of the city from late Lord Cowper, and Miss Reid pro-



poses soon to spend her time at West Park. A series of brilliant entertainments are planned.

Healthfulness of a Sneeze.

and surgeon Sir Frederic Treves, we to the house of representatives, I'll ought not to complain of sneezing, catarrh, coughing and the general discomfort that ordinarily accompany a common cold. They are not sympsystem is defending itself. The efforts | suit to recover. of the sufferer, says the distinguished authority, should not be directed to nature, which is putting up a brave fight against dangerous bacteria. Indeed, a cold would in the majority of presence of infection would not be discovered until the bacteria were so numerous that a fight would be hopeless. A medicine which merely stops cough- when they ought to have been learning ing or allays inflammation may be their lessons and playing marbles, and fiddle and "makes a stagger" at some | thwarting nature's efforts to cure.-

Latest Thing in Jewelry.

If a woman wishes to have the very latest thing in jewelry just now she must get a bangle bracelet set with liamonds. At least, that is the verdict of the smart jewelers. These bangles have for a foundation a strip not contain a single horse that he had of platina which is set with diamonds placed so closely together that one can see nothing but the band of brilliant stones. Of course, one must feed. When they were returned his have a few loose bills to spare to buy horses had been placed in another one of these trifles, for the cheapest car and another man's animals in his of them costs \$450, while from that figure they run up to \$1,500.

Last Public Execution in Canada. ada took place in Ottawa on Feb. 11. magnificent in the world. Decorated 1869, when Patrick James Whelan was hanged for the murder of D'Arcy tal chandeliers, colossal looking McGee. During the session of 1869 glasses of the finest quality, marble an act was passed providing that executions of sentences imposing the exceiling is painted by Tiepolo with the | treme penalty of the law should take place within the prison walls, and that no one should be present thereat except the necessary officers and cer-

Proper Title of the Ruler of the North-

ern Empire. Though we occasionally read in the newspapers of the Czar, referring to Nicholas II, he is almost universally designated as the Tsar. Though many learned etymologists have said that the national title of the Russian sovereign is a corruption of the word Caesar, like the German Kaiser, this is a mistake. The cause of the error is that at the beginning of the eighteenth century we knew the Russians only through the Poles, with whom we had long international intercourse before we became acquainted with the Muscovites. The word "Czar" is the Polish form of the word "Tsar," with the slight difference in the pronunciation which distinguishes the two words derived from the Slavonic language.

The Russians, like all the Slavs, be long to the Greek church, using the Cyrillic alphabet, containing thirtyeight signs still employed in the sacred language, but reduced to thirty-one in the common language. The Catholic Slavs, like the Poles, having kept the Latin alphabet of twenty-four signs, were compelled to resort to the combination of double letters to take the place of the sibillant consonants which are found in the Cyrillic alpha- cannot mail at regular postage rates. bet. The "cz" forms one of these combinations; hence the Polish ortho- organizations or associations of citigraphy, which was adopted at first by some illustrious writers like Voltaire leges. and Saint-Simon.

The same rule applies to the derivatives of the word "tsar"-tsarine. tsarevna, tsarevitch. These words are even spelled Cesarin, Cesarevna and and the increase in appropriation Csarevitch, as a tribute to their im- agreed upon is considered by the comaginary origin. But the word "tsar" mittee as being as small as will satishas no Latin etymology and is not a factorily meet the growth of the mails. translation of the word Caesar.-Lon-

Indian Woman's Worthy Ambition. Laura M. Cornelius, a full-blooded Indian of the Oneida tribe in Wisconsin, has gone to New York, where she intends to study law in Barnard college. At a county school she won a scholarship in a seminary in Fond du Lac and afterward studied for a time in Stanford university, Califor-Indian in features and build and is proud of it. Her object in studying law is to be of service to the people of her own race. "My religion." she says, "is this: I believe in God, in minding my own business and in hustling for what one wants."

Mrs. Thaw in Lawsuit.

Mrs. Mary C. Thaw, of Pittsburg, whose daughter is countess of Yarmouth commissioned a firm to put a stained glass in the Third Presbyterian church of Pittsburg, for which she agreed to pay \$25,000. When the work was done it failed to give her satisfaction and she ordered it torn out. The firm did so, practically re building the window at a cost of \$16. 500. This Mrs. Thaw refused to pay toms of disease, but proofs that the and now the company has brought

Early Hardships Leave Mark. It is remarked with surprise that the labor members of parliament are not large men, nor are they apparently especially robust. T. P. O'Connor, writing on this subject, explains in this way: "The lives of many of them have been hard; they began the struggle for bread in the mine, in the workshop, before the furnace, at an age those years of early toil nearly always

Wholesale Cutting.

"Yes, we used to sit out on the old porch in the beautiful moonlight. Strange to say, Jack never believed he kissed me as often as I accused him of doing." "Ah, how did you convince him,

dear?" "Why, the next night I told him to cut a notch in the porch each time

he took a kiss.' "How did the scheme work?" "Very well for a while, but-er-by the end of the week there wasn't any

Gold Pieces Baked in a Cake.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Richmond of this city have just celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary, attended by near relatives and the immediate family.

A feature of this unusual event was the placing of fifty twenty-dollar gold pieces in the huge cake, and as it was carved the coins fell to various members. One son was so fortunate as to receive three of the double eagles in his one slice of the anniversary cake.

BIG BATTLE IN JOLO.

General Wood Reports Sanguinary

Struggle in Southern Archipelago. MANILA-An important action between American forces and hostile Moros has taken place near Jolo. Fifteen enlisted men were killed, a commissioned officer was wounded, four enlisted men were wounded and a na-

The Moros lost 600 men killed. Major General Leonard Wood, commander of the division of the Philippines, reports as follows from Jolo,

val contingent operating with the mil-

itary sustained thirty-two casualties.

capitol of the Sulu islands: "A severe action between troops, a naval detachment and constabulary and hostile Moros has taken place at Mount Dajo, near Jolo. The engagement opened during the afternoon of March 6 and ended in the morning of March 8. The action involved the capture of Mount Dajo, a lava cone, 2,100 feet high, with a crater at its summit and extremely steep. The last 400 feet were at an angle of 50 degrees and there were fifty perpendicular ridges covered with a growth of timber and strongly fortified and defended by an invisible force of Moros...

"The army casualties were fifteen enlisted men killed, four commissioned officers and thirty-two enlisted men wounded. The naval casualties num bered thirty-two. Ensign H. D. Cooke, Jr., commanding the Pampanga, was severely wounded and Coxswain Gilmore was severely wounded in the

"All the defenders of the Moro stronghold were killed. - Six hundred bodies were found on the field.

The attack was made under the most hazardous circumstances. Starting early in the afternoon of March 6. the assailants climbed for a distance of 2,100 feet up a lava cone, the thickly wooded ridges of which furnished the only foothold. The last 500 feet of the ascent was at an angle of sixty degrees, and the last fifty feet almost perpendicular. At the 100 were 600 fanatical Moros armed with rifles and knives and supported by native artillery. The fortified crater was almost invisible and seemingly inaccessible. At the word of command the troops rushed into the crater and a hand-tohand encounter followed.

FOR THE POSTAL SERVICE.

Appropriation, as Agreed Upon, Car-ries \$191,358,848.

WASHINGTON-An appropriation bill carrying \$191,358.848 for the postal service was finally agreed upon by the house committee on postoffices and post roads and will be reported to the house in about ten days. Two impormeasure, one forbidding the government departments franking anything through the mails which an individual and the other prevents committees, zens from enjoying the franking privi-

Last year's appropriation for the postoffice department was \$181,022,093. It is estimated that the amount of

SENATORS BY DIRECT VOTE.

Favorable Report of House Committee on Norris Bill.

WASHINGTON - The house commitee on election of president, vicepresident and representatives in congress has agreed to make a favorable report on a bill by Representative Norris of Nebraska providing for extending the term of members of congress to four years, and for the election of members of the senate by pop-

THOMPSON REACHES MEXICO.

New Ambassador from United States Presents Credentials.

MEXICO-The American ambassador Mr. Thompson, presented his credentials to President Diaz in the presence of a large and brilliant assembly. Complimentary speeches were made by the ambassador and President Diaz regarding the friendly feeling existing between the two republics.

CONTRACTORS WANT MORE TIME

But Are Turned Down by the Secretary of the Interior.

WASHINGTON-The application of Messrs. Robinson & Maney of St. Louis, for an extension of time for the completion of the work on the interstate canal, North Platte irrigation project in Nebraska, under their conal contract of December 14, 1905, which latter contract provides for completion of the work by May 1, 1906, has been denied by the secretary of the interior. The present conditions do not warrant granting the extension asked for, and if the force employed is properly increased it is believed the work can be completed on time.

Knox Don't Want the Job.

WASHINGTON-Associate Justice Henry Billings Brown of the supreme court intends to retire from the bench, and has so notified President Roosevelt. The president offered to appoint Senator Philander C. Knox to the vacancy, but the latter declined.

Spanish Editor in Trouble. BARCELONA, Spain .- The editor of El Divulivo, a local daily paper, has been sentenced to eight years' im-

prisonment for printing an insulting dispatch concerning King Alfonso Anti-Pass Bill: WASHINGTON-The Ransdell antipass bill was offered in amended form Wednesday to the entire house com-

mittee on judiciary by a sub-commit-

tee, and was made a special order for

WASHINGTON-The president has ecepted the resignation of Past Assistant Paymaster George Deering, United States navy, tried by court martial and convicted of irregularity