PLOT FOR AN UPRISING

Filipinos at Manila Are Said to Have Prepared for the Same.

OFFICIALS DON'T LOOK FOR IT

Object of the Attempt May Be to Show the New Civil Commission That the Insurrection Continues-An Insurgent Paper Says Congress Has Done Nothing.

MANILA, May 14.—The latest rumor of an outbreak in Manila among the natives, which was in circulation last week, was seriously discussed by some of the local papers and attracted more general attention than has usually been the case with this sort of thing. As a matter of fact many Filipinos did leave their American employers with the apparent intention of joining some such move. Their action, taken in connection with the arrest of several natives for carrying concealed weapons and the dispersion of several suspicious gatherings, gave color to the reports.

Officials have been active in the matter, but are not inclined to think an uprising will be attempted. They believe the Filipinos lack the necessary courage, especially in view of the fact that the natives feared to attempt the demonstration at the time or General Lawton's funeral, alhough they had made careful preparations and many insurgents had come to Manila for this purpose.

A paper found among the effects of General Pantealeon Garcia asserts that the United States congress has done nothing for the Filipinos and therefore all Filipines who are working for Americans must leave their employers at once or suffer the penalty. One report is that the Filipino junta is endeavoring to incite an outbreak in order to show the civil commission that the insurrection is still alive.

It does not seem possible that the

peace proposals Senor Buencamino has drawn for submission to Aguinaldo and the other insurgent leaders will have much weight with the Filipinos. Buencamino's reputation, gained in former wars, is that of a man who hurries to get on the winning side. He was in disfavor with the Filipinos even before the collapse of their government, owing to a widespread suspicion of disloyalty to his colleagues.

Last week General MacArthur received a large number of officials, consuls and representatives of commercial bodies. To Lieutenant Colonel Crowder, his military secretary, he will assign many duties heretofore devolving on the adjutant general. This action is taken in view of the increasing importance of the governor-general's position. General MacArthur will give to his staff authority in matters of detail and will devote himself largely to questions of policy.

The towns of Holongus and Maalin on the Island of Leyte have been occupied by troops of the Forty-third volunteer infantry. The insurgents opposed the landing of the Americans and sustained heavy losses. The Americans suffered three casualties.

CONGRESS NEARING AN END

House Ready to Adjourn June 1, Senate May Continue Longer

WASHINGTON, May 14.-The house this week will send to the senate the last of the general supply bills-the general deficiency and the military academy appropriation bills-and will be ready for adjournment as soon as the senate passes them and adjusts the differences between the two branches upon those already passed or pending in conference. These conference reports on appropriation bills are to be given the right of way from now until the end of the session. The house leaders say they will be ready for the sine die adjournment June 1, but allowing for delays and accidents incident to the closing up of the session, they are not inclined to think both houses will be ready to quit before June 10. Later on if complications arise in the senate the house may emphasize its readiness to adjourn by adjourning over from day to day, while the senate is in the final throes of dissolution.

The general deficiency bill will be taken up today and it will be followed by the military academy bill. It is understood the senate army reorganization bill may be taken up on Wednesday. The remainder of the week until Saturday will be devoted to miscellaneous matters. Saturday under a special order adopted some time ago is to be given up to the ceremonies attending the acceptance of the statue of General Grant presented by the Grand Army of the Republic.

RUSSIA WOULD INTERVENE.

Turkish Writer Grows Hold in Facing Uncle Samuel.

LONDON, May 14.-The Times publishes this morning a letter from its Odessa correspondent, dated May in which he comments upon the suspicion and jealousy with which official circles in Russia are watching the progress of the Turko-American dispute. He quotes at great length from an important article sanctioned by the Turkish censor, that has appeared in the Odessky Listok, which declares that "the imperial policy of the United States is prompted by the necessity of finding new outlets for trade."

Talmage Speaks at Edinburgh.

EDINBURGH, May 14.-Eynod hall, which has a capacity of 6,000, was crowded today by an assembly to hear Rev. Dr. DeWitt Talmage. Dr. Talmaga delivered a second lecture later to a large assembly-blockading the appreaches to the hall.

Bubonic Plague in Australia. SIDNEY, N. S. W., May 14.-The number of cases of the bubonic plague officially reported to this date is 216. Of these seventy-three have proved

FOR THE LAST STAND.

All Sorts and Conditions of Men Com

mandeered at Pretoria. LONDON, May 14.-The Lourenze Marquez correspondent of the Times,

telegraphing Sunday, says;
"It is rumored that the Transvaa! read, in secret session, has resolved to order all residents, irrespective of nationality, to assist in the defense of the republic in accordance with the terms of the revised military law.

"The Boers now recognize that they are in the last extremity and all sorts and conditions of men have been commandeered. The merchants have protested against the stoppage of a consignment of clothing and corned beef, although the latter was purchased in America, United States Consul Stanley Hollis, who sympathies are notorious, is said to have remonstrated against what he called interference with American trade."

"The war is practically over," says the Daily Chronicle's Kroonstad correspondent, and in less definite terms this is the view to be gathered from all the correspondents.

They picture the Boers as utterly demoralized and disheartened by Lord Roberts' unexpectedly rapid advance and by his facile turning of the carefully prepared positions of the Boers.

There was practically no fighting and there are no further details to give respecting the occupation of Kroonstad. The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says the union jack was hoisted in the market place by Mrs. Lockhead, the American wife of a Scotchman.

Most of the horses of the Boers are in a wretched condition, but President Kruger declares he will continue the war.

It appears that the Boers at Kroonstad had been reinforced by 3,000 men from natal last Friday, and that altogether 3,000 with a number of guns trekked from Kroonsstad on the approach of Lord Roberts. The Boers made an ineffectual stand at Bischrand and had claborate entrenchments in front of Kroonstad, which offered great facilities for a rear guard action. Their only anxiety, however, appears to have been to get away safely with all their guns and convoys, which again they have successfully accomplished. The few stores they were unable to carry away they burned.

SAYS IT'S ALL A MISTAKE.

Alleged Embezzler Neeley Maintains Air of Innocence.

MUNCIE, Ind., May 14.-C. F. W. Neeley was called upon today at the home of his sister and the reported confession of Mr. Rich was read to him. Mr. Neeley refused absolutely to make a statement further than to say that there must be a mistake. Rica was one of Muncie's leading young busines men, a son-in-law of Joseph A. Godgard, wholesale grocer, and for several years was a traveling salesman and also was secretary of the Indiana Traveling Men's Protective association. kich has always been an intimate friend of Neeley's, and secured his appointment in the Cuban postal department through Neeley. They were extensively associated together in business enterprises.

DEWEY TAKES NEEDED REST.

Knoxville's Program of Celebration Beglus Today.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., May 14.-Admiral Dewey passed a quiet Sunday in Knoxville, He attended St. John's Episcopal church in the morning and spent the remainder of the day in his rooms. The hotels are filling up with visitors, indicating the presence of large crowds in the city tomorrow to witness the parade and other features o. the Dewey celebration. The Woman's building, a structure built and used by the women's societies of the city, will be the scene of most of the public receptions. At that place after the parade the mayor wil welcome the admiral, after which the latter will hold a public reception.

CALLS GERMANS HIS ALLIES

Emperor Francis Joseph Speaks of Recent Visit and the Outlook.

BUDA PEST, May 14.-Replying today to an address from the presidents of the Austrian and the Hungarian delegations with reference to his recent visit to Berlin, Emperor Francis Joseph declared:

"In the intimate relations of the allies so clearly manifested at Berlin, I find a happy complement of the excellent relations between Austria-Hungary and all the powers, especially Russia. May this augur firm conditions for the continuing maintenance of peace.

Reduced Time. CHICAGO, May 14.—The Chicago & Northwestern railway announces that the time of the Overland Limited from San Francisco to Chicago has been reduced one hour and a half. The train will, after next Sunday, leave San Francisco at 10 o'clock instead of 8:30 a. m., as at present, and reach Chicago at 9:30 c. m., the third day,, making connection with all fast trains from Chicago to the east.

Again Appeals for India. NEW YORK, May 14.-The Indian famine relief committee tonight issued an appeal to the citizens. The appeal asserts that despite the systematic aid furnished 6,000,000 people in India, at least 6,000,000 more are starving.

Cuban Postal Affairs.

WASHINGTON, May 14.-Representative Bromwell of Ohio today introduced a resolution directing the secretary of war to ascertain the amount, if any, of moneys or other property belonging to the postal revenue of the island of Cuba, which have, since the ratification of the treaty with Spain, been wrongfully misappropriated and taken to his own use by any official or officials of the United States, and to certify the amount to the secretary of the treasury, who is directed to trans-fer the amount so certified to the secretary of war,

MRS. FROST IS SERENE

Husband's Stomach May Show Poison, But Who Gave It to Him?

HER LIFE IN THE YORK JAIL.

Efforts of Some Admirers to Hold Conversation With Her-One of Them Barely Escupes Capture -- Prisoner Maintains a Cool, Calm Manner-Mis-

cellaneous Nebraska Notes.

YORK, Neb., May 14.-The fact that a pursuing jailer stumbled over a lawn mower in the dark is all that saved one of Mrs. Frost's men admirers from being captured. For several nights two or more men have been signalling and rapping on the casement of the windows of the jail, calling to Mrs. Frost that they wanted to talk with The authorities thinking that possibly there might be an attempt by parties to converse with Mrs. Frost they located her in a cell back and away from the outside windows where it is a little difficult to communicate with the outside public and informed her that one of the rules of the jail was that she should hold no communication or conversation with anyone on the outside with the threat that if she did they would remove her still farther from the window and in not as pleasant a cell room.

When Jailer Bickley was in the jail he heard a gentle knocking, then louder and then heard some man calling "Mrs. Frost, Mrs. Frost." Putting out the light in the jail Bickley crept around to the side door and made a dash for the intruder and would have captured him had it not been that he stumbled over a lawn mower left in the court house yard.

Just what these men admirers, or friends of Mrs. Frost want is a question. It is believed that if it were not for the vigilance of the jailer there might have been an attempted jail delivery. The York county jail is one of the best and strongest country jails, situated in the basement of the court house in the north east corner. One or two inmates in past years have gotten out and escaped.

Mrs. Frost, in appearance, conversation and actions is apparently less concerned as to the results of the chemical analysis of the stomach of Mr. Frost than any other woman in York. She still maintains that cool, calm manner, heartily eats her meals and spends most of the time reading books, magazines and newspapers.

In conversation the subject of her husband's death was brought around and in reply to the question asking her if she did not think it would go hard with her if the chemical analysis showed poison in the stomach, she, in a half boasting way, replied that "it does not matter much whether the stomach was full of poison, they would have a pretty hard time to prove that I gave it to Mr. Frost."

A Bank's Deal With Bartley OMAHA, Neb., May 14.-A deposition on behalf of the defense in the case of the state of Nebraska against he First National bank of placed on file and opened in the United States circuit court here. In the deposition Atwell L. Burr, president of the bank at the time of the failure, testifies as to the collections between the bank and ex-Treasurer Bartley. He says that the arrangement was made by the treasurer in Lincoln and under its terms the bank was to pay 6 per cent for the money of the state deposited by the treasurer in the bank; that 3 per cent was to go to Bartley and 3 per cent to the state; that at that time Bartley gave him \$10,000 of the state money and that he secured from Alma certificates of deposit for that amount, which he gave to Bartley and which were afterwards deposited in the Alma bank by Bartley. Burr also said that no one knew of the arrangement except himself, Bartley and Dan Sullivan, the cashier of the bank, and that none of the funds of the state deposited in the bank was deposited under the terms of the bong upon which the state of Nebraska sueto recover its money alleged to be in the bank at the time of the failure. He further says that all the money of the state had been withdrawn by Bartley before the failure, the amount being \$25,244.76.

Resolutions by Grand Army. BEATRICE, Neb., May 14.-The department convention of the Grand Army of the Republic just prior to adjournment passed a resolution thanking the house of representatives for it prompt action on the bill establishing a National Soldiers' home sanitarium at the South Daktota hot springs and urging the speedy passage of the measure by the senate. Resolutions of thanks were extended to Rawlins post and citizens of Beatrice for the entertainment furnished the encampment.

Postoffice Safe Blown Open. BANCROFT, Neb., May 14-The safe in the Bancroft postoffice was blown open near the midnight hour. Several dollars in cash and stamps was taken. The safe door was blown off with pow-

der, the door being thrown about ten feet. The furniture in the office was somewhat damaged. There is no clue to who the guilty persons are. Hensen After Law Breakers. KEARNEY, Neb., May 14.-N. P. Hansen, chairman of the committee on violation of the state pharmacy law, returned from a meeting of the State Board of Pharmacy at Lincoln. Mr.

Hansen states that during the last

four months there have been thirtyfour complaints for the violation of the state pharmacy law and that all these cases have been thoroughly investigated and in many instances convictions were made and heavy fines imposed. Mr. Hansen was instructed to keep up his crusade against the law-

THE MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

Quotations From New York, Chicago South Omaha and Elsewhere.

South Omaha and Elsewhere.

SOUTH OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

SOUTH OMAHA, May 14.—CATTLE—There was a fair run of cattle, but there was the usual good demand and the market was brisk and a little higher, at least 5c higher than yesterday on the general run of cattle. Buyers seemed to want the cattle and they were out early in the morning, so that everything in the way of beef cattle changed hands in a very snort time. Sellers were well pleased with the prices received. There was nothing very choice on sale, so that the top did not show up very well on paper. Beef steers, \$1,5006.10; steers and helfers, \$4,0064.95; helfers, \$4,0066.00; bulls, \$1,255.81.80; calves, \$4,5007.00; stags, \$3,509.425; stock cows and helfers, \$2,5094.55; stockers and feeders, \$3,5095.00.

HOGS—Some of the packers started out early bidding steady to strong prices, but shortly after that Chicago came lower and they went back on their first bids and for a time the market was slow and a rathe easier than yesterday, especially on the light hogs. A little later on the market railied under the influence of the very good local nemand and more favorable advices from other market points. The close was stronger, so that taking the market as a whole it was strong as compared with yesterday. The hogs sold largely at \$5,15, with a \$5.30 top, the same as yesterday, SOUTH OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

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SHEEP—There were a few cars here today, mostly lambs. There was not much change in the situation and about all that could be said of the market is to call it steady. Quotations: Clipped methers, \$5.3075.40; clipped yearlings, \$5.4085.60; clipped ewes, good to choice, \$1.6035.00; fair to good clipped ewes, \$4.25 \$4.60 good to choice Colorado wooled lambs, \$5.7567.00; good to choice clipped lambs, \$5.7567.00; fair to good clipped lambs, \$5.7567.00; fair to good clipped lambs, \$5.7567.50; fair to good clipped lambs, \$5.7567.50; Chicago Live Stock Market.

clipped lambs, \$5.50\(\text{g}\)5.75.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.
CHICAGO, May 14.—CATTLE—steers,
active, \$600c higher; butchera' stock
strong... good to prime steers, \$5.00\(\text{g}\)5.09; boot to medium, \$4.26\(\text{g}\)4.85; stockers and
feeders, \$1.75\(\text{g}\)5.09; cows, \$3.00\(\text{g}\)4.60; heifers,
\$4.06\(\text{g}\)5.25; calves, \$4.00\(\text{g}\)6.09; Texas fed steers,
\$4.09\(\text{g}\)5.25; Texas bulls, \$1.25\(\text{g}\)3.75.

HOGS—Active, closing strong; top, \$5.45;
mixed and butchers, \$5.10\(\text{g}\)5.46; good to
choice heavy, \$5.25\(\text{g}\)5.35; rough heavy,
\$5.10\(\text{g}\)5.29; light, \$5.00\(\text{g}\)5.32\(\text{g}\); bulk of sales,
\$5.25\(\text{g}\)5.35.

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SHEEP—Slow; lambs steady; good to choice wethers, \$5.3505.70; fair to choice mixed, \$5.00035.50; western sheep, 5.3009 5.70; yearlings, \$5.7506.10; native lambs, \$5.0007.40; western lambs, \$6.0007.40.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PRODUCE, CHICAGO, May 14.—WHEAT—No. 2, spring, 650056; No. 3, 610064/2c; No. 2 red, 70071c.

CORN—No. 2.338/0390; No. 2 redlements.

CORN-No. 2,38%@39c; No. 2 yellow, 94c. OATS—No. 2. 23½c; No. 2 white, 269 1½c; No. 3 white, 25½@25½c. RYE—No. 2. 53¼@54c. BARLEY—Fair to choice malting, 379

42c.
PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., \$11.40
9.1.45. Lard, per 109 lbs., \$6.82\frac{1}{2}6.85.
Short ribs, sides (loose), \$5.40\frac{1}{2}6.55. Dry
salted shoulders (boxed), \$6.50\frac{1}{2}6.75.
Short clear sides (boxed), \$7.05\frac{1}{2}7.15.

salted shoulders (boxed), \$1.5066.75. Short clear sides (boxed), \$1.0567.15.

NEW YORK GRAIN MARKET.

NEW YORK, May 14.—WHEAT—Spot weak; No. 2 red, 73%c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 red, 75%c, elevator; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 74%c f. o. b., afloat to arrive; the close was heavy at 11%71%c net dpscline. May, 70%c71c, closed 70%c; July, 71%c77-7-16c, closed at 71%c; September, 72 1-1667-73c, closed at 72%c.

CORN—Spot weak; No. 2 43c f. o. b., afloat and 42.c elevator. Option market opened steady on higher cables, but experienced a severe break under active liquidation and sympathy with wheat, closing weak at 1c decline. May, 43%c43c, closed at 42%c; July, 43%c44%c; September, 43%c44%c, closed at 42%c; September, 43%c44%c, closed at 42%c.

KANSAS CITY, LIVE STOCK.

KANSAS CITY, May 17.—CATTLE—Market steady to 10c higher; native steers, 43.00%5.50; Texas steers, 44.0044.75; Texas cows, \$3.0063.75; native cows and helfers, \$2.0064.75; stockers and feeders, \$3.60 (5.50; bulls, \$2.0065.50; bulk of sales, \$5.0565.50; heavy, \$5.07605.25; packers, \$5.0565.20; mixed, \$4.9065.17; light, \$4.9065.50; Texas steers, \$4.0001; pigs, \$4.6564.95.

SHEEP—Market strong; lambs, \$5.1067.50; muttons, \$3.0066.00.

TOWNE MAKES A STATEMENT.

ays He is Not a Populist, but is Glad of the Nomination.

DULUTH, May 12.-Charles Towne today made the following statement with reference to his nomination for the vice presidency by the Sloux Falls convention.

"It was my judgment that the Sloux Falls convention should appoint a conference committee to meet with similar committees from the democratic and silver republican conventions at Kansas City on July 4 for the purpose of jointly considering the vice presiden-tial nomination. This opinion was freely communicated to prominent men of the convention, both before it assembled and while it was in session. In the exercise of its discretion, however, it decided differently. When the conclusion was reached to nominate a candidate the unanimity and enthusiasm with which the convention named me is of course exceedingly gratifying. It must be remembered that many of the strongest men in the country were members of the convention, which was composed of the wise and conservative majority of the people's party, whose devotion to the great cause in which all the reform forces are enlisted nobody can question.

"The endorsement of such a body in a high compliment and I deeply appreclate it. Moreover, it sets an example of unselfishness at this juncture that ought not to be without good influence. Neither Mr. Bryan nor myself belong to the populist party. To be sure, such a consideration may seem unimportant when men are engaged in a great contest against the same evil tendencies in the government; but mere names are still somewhat powerful in influencing political conduct and we must render all praise to the convention which thought only of the

principles at stake. "Harmony and co-operation are essential this year among the democratic, the people's and the silver republican parties. To preserve their combined strength of 1896 is the first consideration. The next is to go into the camp of those who then opposed us and get recruits. If the nominations at Sioux Falls are placed before the country with all reform parties behind them, they will, in my opinion, be ratified by the people of the republic in November."

Lorimer Will Run Again CHICAGO, May 12.-Republicans of the second congressional district today renominated William Lorrimer for congress. States Attorney Charles S. Deneen and Congressman Lorrimer were chosen delegates to the national convention and D. W. Ball and E. Raymond Bliss, alternates.

McGee Gets Twenty Years. PORTSMOUTH, O., May 12,-"Rabbit" McGee this afternoon pleaded guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to twenty years in the penitentiary for killing George Hackworth, postmaster at Mount Joy. November 8.

DEATH OF C. W. FROST

At Least Two People Knew if It Was Through Poison.

MATTER SOON TO BE CLEARED UP

Report of Chemist Sent Forward-City Attorney Wychoff, of York, Has the Statement and Will Hand It to the Coroner's Jury - Miscellaneous Nebraska Matters.

YORK, Neb., May 15 .- It is now known to at least two persons whether or not the late Charles W. Frost of this city was poisoned. For the last twelve days the stomach of the dead man has been undergoing analysis by Ds. William S. Robinson, a chemist ford in a sheet of purest vermillon. The of Omaha, and the doctor has made his report, but whether he found poison cannot be generally known until after the cororner's jury meein. The report was received from Omaha

by City Attorney W. W. Wycoff and, though he has been besieged all day by a curious crowd who hoped he would drop some hint as to the purport of the communication, he has firmly refused to discuss the matter further than to say he had the report and that he would submit it to the coroner's jury. A special call for a jury meeting has been issued and at 10 o'clock today the body will go into executive session. The city is in a fever of excitement. The fact that the report has been received has revived the topic of Mrs. Frost's possible guilt and it is the order of the hour now to review the evidence already in the hands of the authorities.

It is supposed that the jury meeting will be brief, as only one point of evidence remains to be considered, and that is clearly defined. The chemist either found poison or railed to find it. If the former, then steps will be taken to prosecute Mrs. Frost on a charge of murdering her husband; if the latter, then she will be released from jail

and the incident will be closed. Though little has been said about him in the newspapers thus far, J. O. Steinbach, the grocery clerk, is really one of the most important figures in the tragedy attending Charles Frost's death and, in the event of a trial, he promises to come to the front in the role of a star witness, if not something more. It was Steinbach who, two weeks ago, was at the bedside of the dying man during the few brief hours of his illness, and it was upon Steinbach that Mrs. Frost lavished her affections as her husband breathed her last. It was Steinbach also, whom the doctor sent twice to get an antidote for strychnine poisoning and who returned both times to say he was unable to find a drug store open.

There was a time when Steinbach was one of the leading citizens of York. He served two terms as mayor of this city. At another time he was the Burlington station agent here and he has always been prominent in lodge work. His domestic life, however, was not happy and two years ago his family left him.

To Cancel Delinquent Taxes.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 15.-Auditor Cornell made a decision which, if put into effect, will result in a reduction of approximately 50 per cent in the total amount of delinquent taxes owing to the state. These unpaid taxes amount to nearly \$3,000,000, or about a third more than the entire indebtedness of the state government. Auditor Cornell's decision will reduce the amount down to about \$1,500,000, according to his own estimate, and will tend to hasten the collection of the balance.

Several years ago the auditor received a communication from Watt Gauldrie, clerk of Washington county. asking for the cancellation of all or a portion of the delinquent taxes due from that county for the reason that many of the people against whom the taxes were assessed had died or moved away from the county, making it absolutely impossible to collect the entire amount due. Auditor Cornell has considered the question several days and arrived at the conclusion that the law gives him power to cancel uncollectable taxes under certain specified conditions. The proposition is a new one and its decision will have a sweeping effect all over the state, as the conditions are about the same in nearly every county.

Smallpox Stamped Out.

HASTINGS, Neb., May 15 .- Dr. O. A. Bunce, who had charge of the two smallpox cases in Hastings, reports that the two patients have fully recovered, the quarantine, the house and clothing of the inmates disinfected and all danger of a spread of the disease is

Recover Stolen Goods.

DILLER, Neb., May 15.-The goods stolen from the store of Lightner & Hutchinson here are being recovered it instalments. The latest discovery was made by B. F. Lightner, who went to Lanham Thursday and recovered about \$40 worth of shoes from a merchant at that place, who stated that he purchased them. It is thought there will be a number of parties arrested at Lanham for concealing stolen

Hills Now Back at Blair. BLAIR, Neb., May 15.—Deputy Sheriff Henry Mencke arrived from Tacoma, Wash, bringing with him Rowland P. Hills, arrested at that place and wanted at Blair on a charge of bigamy, and whose English wife arrived here from England about two weeks ago. When Hills stepped from the train he appeared very nervous and cast a sweeping glance over the crowd, evidently looking for Mrs. Hills No. 1.

He was hurried through the crown

and across the platform, where Sher-

iff Mencke with a conveyance took

him to fail.

ling: Long ago a great-hearted king

JAPANESE ART.

They Wiped Up the Blood and fald No

More About It.

"From Sea to Sea," by Rudyard Kip-

came to Nikko river and looked across at the trees, upstream at the torrent and the hills whence it came, and downstream at the softer outlines of the crops and spurs of wooded mountains. "It needs only a dash of color in the foreground to bring this all together," said he, and he put a little child in a blue and white dressinggown under the awful trees to judge the effect. Emboldened by his tenderness, an aged beggar ventured to ask for alms. Now it was the ancient privilege of the great to try the temper of their blades upon beggars and such cattle. Mechanically the king swept off the old man's head, for he did not wish to be disturbed. The blood spurted across the granite slabs of the river ting smiled. Chance had solved the problem for him. "Build a bridge here," he said to the court carpenter, "of just such a color as that stuff on the stones. Build also a bridge of gray stone close by, for I would not forget the wants of my people." So he gave the little child across the stream a thousand pieces of gold and went his way. He had composed a landscape. As for the blood, they wiped it up and said no more about it, and that is the story of the Nikko bridge. You will not find it in the guide books.-Chicago News.

FACTS ABOUT THE DEAD SEA. Theory That Nothing Can Sink in It Is

Wrong. Some long current illusions concerning the Dead sea are dispelled by Henry Dexter, who went to see its reputed wonders with his own eyes, says Collier's Weekly. In his opinion the bed of the sea is of volcanic formation. "I took a plunge in the water to test its qualities. The water is, I should say, a bituminous salt brime. I was careful not to get the water in my eyes or on my hair. I had been told that nothing could sink in the Dead sea, but found that was untrue, for the reason that if I did not make an effort to keep on top I would go down. The water is of a character that if any one had a cutaneous disease it would make the fiesh smart fiercely. It was exceptionally refreshing, however, on account of the heat. The water was wonderfully clear, and you could see down a depth of twenty feet. The water was perhaps a little more buoyant than ordinary salt water, but it would not hold me up. It was not sticky, but washed off as freely as any salt water. One thing I noticed, and of which I have never been able to get an explanation, was a small island about 500 feet from the shore. This had on it large square blocks of stone. I have never been able to ascertain where these blocks came from. The theory that birds cannot fly over the water is untrue, as I saw lots of birds flying over it."-Chicago News.

WILL STUDY DIVINING RODS. French Commission Appointed to Report

Upon Them. At last the divining rod is to be scientifically investigated. A commission has been appointed in France to study all apparatus and methods employed by sorcerers, water seers and wizards, who use the divining rod. mineral rod, exploring pendulums, hydroscopic compasses, and the other instruments which go by a host of other fanciful names. Brothier de Rolliere is the president of the commission. He will procure divining rods of all kinds, including books, reviews, journals, reports of experiments, together with the names and addresses of the inventors of the aileged devices. It is to be hoped that the findings of this commission will, once for all, settle the question of the divining rod, not only for the discovery of water, but also of minerals. In England, particularly, the water diviner plies his lucrative profession without legal interference, and his dupes are often town authorities .-Scientific American.

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Particularly polite and gallant was the young man who was sauntering down Witherell street one day not long ago, when the sidewalks were covered with slush and the ditches were flooded to the top of the curb. He wore a pink carnation in his coat lapel; his trousers were definitely creased; his shoes had lately been polished, although the wealth of slush on the walks had dimmed their brilliancy. He was approaching a crossing. Just akead of him a young woman was wheeling a baby carriage in the same direction. The gutter was more than ankle deep with ice cold water. The young woman hesitated. To the rescue came the young man. "Can't I assist you?" he asked. "Thank you so much," was the reply, so appreciative in its tone that the young man boldly stepped into the watery ditch and ferried the lady across. Then he picked up the carriage and carried it over. "There," he said, as he sat it down, "I guess I haven't wakened it." He said "it" because he didn't know whether there was a girl or boy under the shawl. "Oh, it isn't a baby," volunteered the young lady. "I was down marketing and this is such an easy way to get the groceries home, you know." -Detroit Free Press.

How Widows Mourn in Sitks. Indian widows in Sitka go into mourning by painting the upper part of their faces black down to their

mouths.