Retirement of the Chairman Leaves the Party Headless.

CHOICE MAY LIGHT UPON SEXTON

McCarthy Favors Him, but His Own

Desires Are Said to Be Against Taking the Pince at Present.

(Copyright, 1896, by Press Publishing Company.) LONDON, Feb. 1 .- (New York World Cablegram-Special Telegram)-That Justin McCarthy would not permit himself to be again nominated for the chairmanship of the Irish party I was enabled to announce exclusively, shortly after the close of the last session of Parliament in the autumn. In view of the meeting of the Irish Parliament in Dublin next Saturday he has now written a letter, announcing his determination and declaring that he is actuated in taking this step solely by failing health and by personal considerations I mentioned in the dispatch referred to, which he will explain in greater detail to his colleagues in Dublia.

His decision has occasioned much surprise today among his politicians generally, no newspaper here or in Ireland having regarded the report of retirement as more than conjecture. Even his colleagues believe he could be prevailed upon to retain the chairmanship until the convention of the Irish race in Dublin next summer might restore unity in the Irish party. Only a few days ago Mr. McCarthy assured the World correspondent that he had firmly made up his mind to retire; but as the communication was cabled. Mr. McCarthy then said:

CANNOT AFFORD TO LEAD. "It is impossible for me any longer to perform the duties of leader and pay any-thing like adequate attention to my literary work, by which I have to live. As chairman I have to be constantly in attendance at the House of Commons, as matters were always arising which demanded my presence, and I was precluded from carrying out any sustained literary work. I am not as young as I once was, and I have had more than one warning during the past two years that I must not overtax my energies. Since I have been the leader I-have been practically have been the leader I have been practically unable to feel assured of getting any of my work done within the time allowed for it, and there are two or three matters which I feel I must finish and which, if they are to be finished at all, must be set about without any further delay.

"I do not intend to resign my seat in

Parliament, and I shall endeavor to give the closest possible attention to my duties. But that will not tax my strength nor encroach on my time to anything like the same degree as being the responsible head of the party. as being the responsible head of the party. The reasons I have given you are the only ones through which I am compelled to resign and I can assure you it is a step to which I have not made up my mind without great regret and reluctance, and under what I regard as the compulsion of circumstances."

On the question of his successor Mr. Mc-Carthy was naturally inclined to be reticent, as he felt it was a matter for the party as he felt it was a matter for the party alone to decide. But he did not conceal his hope that Mr. Sexton may be induced to take his place, being, in his words, "the ablest parliamentarian in the party, and, indeed, in the House of Commons.

SEXTON MAY NOT ACCEPT. From other sources I learn that Mr. Sexton will hardly accept the place as he still thinks the dissentient element in the party is sufficiently strong to nullify any work he might be able to do for it, besides rendering the office of chairman, one of constant annovance and thanklessness. S ever, the Healyites sink personal animosities and join with the majority in asking Mr. Sexton to take the place, he probably would assent His life is bound up with the movement, he has earned a unique position for himself in the House of Commons, and he is acknowledged to be the highest expert in that chamon both the land and the educationa to the fore in the ensuing session.

Should Sexton definitely refuse to be the leader, there is little doubt that the choice of a majority will fall on Mr. Dillon. His election probably would more than ever an-tagonize the Healyites, though it is thought now that it would not cause the actual se cession of Healy and his followers. Mr Dillon, though not altogether of Mr. Sexton's parliamentary caliber or experience, is a man of determined character, a hard worker, thoroughly devoted to the cause and very popular in Ireland.

As a matter of fact the Irish cause in Parliament or in the sympathy or even the inrest of the English liberal party is shelved and hopeless until internecine difficulties among its politicians are settled.

The present feeling of Ireland's friends in England, Scotland and Wales, I dare say, Gladstone down, is one of profrom Mr. Gladstone down, is one of pro-found disgust over the silly and suicidal quar-rels of Irish politicians. This immolation of true and tried Justin McCarthy should be a sufficient warning. BALLARD SMITH.

GERMAN POLITICAL COMPLICATIONS.

Secretary of State for the Interior Will Resign. LONDON. Feb. 2 .-- A dispatch to the Graphic from Berlin says: "An Intimate friend of Dr. Von Boetticher, secretary of

state for the interior, informs me that he is determiend to resign immediately." The correspondent of the Times at Berlin says: As confirming the intrigue against Chancellor Von Hohenlohe, there appears the following semi-official statement: "The em-peror's speech of January 18 has been used by the Agrarians, bimetallists and Bismarck-ians as the starting point for an intrigue

ians as the starting point for an intrigue to compass Chancellor von Hohenlohe's fall. The names of General Count von Waldersee and Von Tartensleben are advanced as pos-sible successors, because it is feared the premature disclosures of the real candidate's name would jeopardize the success of the scheme. There is not the slightest indication that Chancellor von Hohenlobe's posi-tion is shaken, but these hopes are based on the emperor's wish for a larger navy, which the chancellor disfavors."

The Times added that the name of the secret candidate above referred to is beto be Count Herbert von Bismarck, may be that his name is advanced as means to defeat the intrigue, by connect-

a means to defeat the intrigue, by connecting with it the name of a personage ditasteful to the emperor. Despite the assertion that Chanceller von Hohenlohe's position is unshaken," says the Times dispatch, admission that he opposes the emperor on naval affairs looks threatening for his

JUSTIN M'CARTHY WILL RESIGN.

Sexton Expected to Succeed Him as Lender of the Irish Party. LONDON, Feb. 2 .- It is approunced that Justin McCarthy will resign the leadership of the Irish parliamentary party at the meeting of that party which has been called for Saturday next, as has already been exclusively announced in the Associated press dispatches. When questioned regarding this report, Mr. McCarthy admitted it was his in-tention to resign, but he declined to give any details. It is understood, however, that he feels that his health is unequal to the arduous position. But he will retain his seat in Parliament. It is believed Thomas Sexton will be invited to succeed Mr. McCarthy and he will probably accept. John Dillon and Edward Blake are also spoken of for the position.

MADRID. Feb. 2 .- The report that the

WHO WILL SUCCEED M'CARTHY RAILROAD REFUSES TO OPERATE.

Complication in Venezuela Over a Concession to Englishmen. (Copyright, 1856, by Press Publishing Company.) World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)-The trouble over the English railroad between Guanta and Barcelona threatens to bring about a serious interpational complication. Superintendent White, who has suspended Superintendent White, who has suspended the services, refused to obey the orders of Minister of Public Works Bougal Serra to resume, and says he will await instructions from London. The minister has imposed a fine of \$100 a day until trains shall be run. The complication has provoked bitter comments here against Englishmen. The press says that British action regarding concessions in weaker countries is always units; and in weaker countries is always unjust and arrogant; that Great Britain is quick to claim damages and to get them with war-ships when resistance is impossible, and is

ships when resistance is impossible, and is never willing to comply with the law. The press urges that the railroad be compelled to pay the government under the guaranty, which provides that the road must transport 300 tons of coal from the mines at Guanta before payment begins. At the time the railroad ceased operations exactly 300 tons had been moved. The spirit of the contract, it is held, however, demands that transportation shall be continuous. The action of the government imposing the \$100 fine has given great satisfaction here. fine has given great satisfaction here. Crespo has returned to Caracas and will

W. NEPHEW KING. NEWS FROM MEXICO'S CAPITAL.

remain here several days.

Developments of an Industrial Nature In that Republic.
CITY OF MEXICO, Feb. 2.—Architect Paton of the Chicago firm of Fisher & Patton is here with plans for a six-story hotel, to be built on Pasco de La Reforma, a fashionable drive and residence avenue, by Chicago capitalists. Plans will be immediately submitted to the government.

Colonel O. H. Payne, brother-in-law of ex-Secretary Whitney, is here. Sir Weetman Pearson, head of the Vera Cruz harbor works,

will visit that port at once.

The Mexican International Exposition company expects this week to conclude arrangements with the government for a national ex-hibit and a national committee to co-operate with the exposition managers will be apwith the exposition managers will be appointed. The land on which the exposition will be held was yesterday formally conveyed to a New York syndicate, organized to carry out the exposition project.

The capital of the Gulf, Rio Grande & Pacific railway of Mexico will be \$80,000,000 in silver. Headquarters of the company will probably be fixed at Cleveland, O. It is hoped to complete 250 miles of the year that year.

complete 250 miles of the road this year giveen Trevino and Emiterio de La Garza. The total length of the lines will be over 1,000 miles. Lines are to connect the town of Trevino at the terminus of the Monterey and Mexican Gulf with some point on the Pacific and to run a line to the United States frontier east of Laredo, etc. The construction of these roads will give great impetus to the development of northern Mexico. Companies under the name of the Rio Grande Improvement and Construction company will be organized to build these lines.

SOUTH AMERICAN NEWS NOTES.

Ministerial Crisis in Ecuador—Bolivia Objects to President Cleveland. Copyright, 1896, by Press Publishing Company.) COLON, Colombia, Feb. 2.-(New York World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)-A dispatch from Guayaquil says that the ministers of the public works and public instruction in Ecuador have resigned.

A dispatch from Rio Janeiro says it is reported that Bolivia is unwilling to accept Brazil's proposal that President Cleveland arbitrate as to the lines of delimitation be-

tween them.

Argentine has resolved to buy more artillery in Europe. Her treasury estimates show a \$6,000,000 deficit for 1896. An agent from Costa Rica is inducing Panama canal laborers to go to that country. There is in consequence a lively interchange of laborers, as hundreds are coming from Costa Rica to Panama.

QUITO, Ecuador—(via Colon, Colombia), Feb. 2.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—The religious order of the Christian Brothers, believing that public opinion here was against it, has left the

STANDING OFF A TURKISH ARMY.

Men to Take Zeitoun. LONDON, Feb. 2 .- A dispatch from Contantinople to the Daily News says: Reports from Turkish sources, believed to be fairly accurate, state that it is believed the Zeitounlis are still holding out. The Turks have made several different attacks upon the town, but all have failed and their losses are reported to amount to 10,000. It is alleged that 50,000 troops will be needed to capture Zeitoun. It is believed the Zeitounits num-ber from 15,000 to 20,00 well armed and provisioned for a year. There is a doubtful report that 4,000 Russian Armenians crossed he Persian frontier and defeated the Turks at S'z, eighteen hours from Zeltoun, and

INDEMNITY DEMANDED OF TURKEY.

have now joined the Zeitounlis.

Minister Terrell Requests Pay for Pillaging American Missions. CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 2.-The United States minister, Mr. Terrell, has demanded an indemnity of \$100,000 for the burning and pillaging of the American missions at Marash and Kharput. He also asked for the immediste granting of firmans for rebuilding them.

Want the Dispute Dropped LONDON, Feb. 2 .- The Post in an editorial on the Dunraven inquiry says: The limitation of the inquiry into the Dunraven charges requires explanation and it is regretable the cup committee was not represcotted at the inquiry. If the result of the inquiry is satisfactory to the New York Yacht club there is nothing more to be said, but it is to be hoped we have heard the last of this regretable episode.

Germany Sounding the Powers. LONDON, Feb. 2 .- The Observer (unionist) this morning says: "We have good authority leading us to express the belief that Germany recently invited Russia and other powers to co-operate in a plan hostile to England's continued occupation of Egypt. Ac-cording to our information and belief, this plan was declined by Russia."

Sultan Did Not Keep Currie Waiting. LONDON, Feb. 2 .- Sir Philip Currie, British ambassador at Constantinople, writes to the Daily News denying a published state-ment that he was kept waiting for an hour in a cold ante-room when he went to deliver the queen's letter to the sultan.

MADRID, Feb. 2.—Martinez Campos, the retiring captain-general of Cuba, has arrived at Corunna, where he was accorded a favorable reception. The rebel government of Cuba is reported to have taken refuge in the Sierra Maestra.

Palace Party Still at Work. LONDON, Feb. 2 .- A Constantinople dispatch to the Times says; Careful inquiry convinces me that the palace party set affort the rumors of the Russo-Turkish alliance in

William Will Visit Athens

LONDON, Feb. 2.-A Berlin dispatch to American government has made overtures to the Chronicle says: It is stated that Emthe European powers to recognize the Cubau peror Will am will attend the Olympic games in April.

MARIN SHOWS GREAT ACTIVITY

CARACAS, Venezuela, Feb. 2.-(New York Spanish Commander in Cuba Rushing Swiftly from Point to Point.

GOMEZ RECROSSES THE WALL OF MEN

Gets His Forces from Pinar del Rio Into Havana Province Without Meeting Any Serious Spanish Opposition.

(Copyright, 1896, by Press Publishing Company.) HAVANA, Cuba, Feb. 2 .- (New Work World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)-Ever cince General Marin left Havana last Thursday he has been constantly on the move. When he started Gomez and Maceo were both in Pinar del Rio province, and it was thought they would try to join their commands, but at San Antonio General Marin learned that Gomez had recressed the line, going east again, General Marin turned also and went to Quivican, afterward going to Melena, where there was a skirmish yesterday. Gomez disappeared and General Marin moved his troops back to Quivican, where they are quartered today.

General Marin left Quivican at 5 a.m. yesterday. It had been reported that strong insurgent forces had been seen near he railroad line between San Felipe and Gu es and the commander-in-chief went in hot parsuit with his splendid brigade of nearly 2,000 cavalry and infantry. On reaching Melena, a small station two miles west of Guines and about twenty-five miles southeast of this city, he learned that the insurgents had been seen near there. The entire command was ordered to leave the train, squads of cavalry were dispacthed in great haste in a northerly direction to reconnoiter, outposts were established and preparations were made for action, a strong guard being left at the railway to protect the train with its supplies. One hour later there was a skirmish between a portion of General Marin's command and what was supposed to be General Gomez's rear guard, but no report of it is obtainable. It is stated that the detachment of Spanish troops under command of Colonel Jose Ma-con, a skillful fighter, is expected to join

Marin. The detachment under Colonel Cor-nell was looked for at Melena today. The day before General Marin arrived at Melena 100 insurgents rode into town, went to a drug store, helped themselves to medicines and rode away. Insurgents have looted drug stores before and have taken physicians from a town in the middle of the night to their camps to treat their sick and wounded.

Measles is said to be epidamic there. Gomez and his followers are in Havana province, east of the famed "military" wall. Maceo and his men are reported to be still in Pinar del Rio province, but moving east and not far from the border of Havana province. Great activity continues along the so-called "strong" Spanish line, which is being strengthened day by day in order now to prevent, if possible, Maceo from crossing castward and joining Gomez. The insurgents derailed a freight train of

thirty cars last evening near Pozo Redondo, a small station about seven miles north of Batanbano. Eighty Spanish infantry accompanied the train, which had an armored car. Rebels hiding in the cane fields opened fire, but the soldiers drove them off and saved the property in the cars.

No trains ran today south of San Felipe.

SPANISH USE CASTLE MORO. Prisoners Captured from Rebel Ranks

HAVANA, Feb. 2.-Ten prisoners who were arrested at Mines Folia for complicity in to Santiago de Cuba. Five prisoners of er captured in Pinar del Rio province have been brought to this city and placed in Moro castle. A report has been received from Manzanillo that the well known insurgent leader, Francisco Rabi, has died from wounds received in battle. In a skirmish The column of surgents were wounded. Vienna fired upon La Cret's band at the plantation of Carlote, near Jovelianos, and killed six of the insurgents.

LONDON, Feb. 2 .- A dispatch to the Times from Washington, commenting upon the attitude of the senate, says: "Nobody can say what might happen should the Venezuela difficulty pass from the hands of the exe-cutive into those of congress. I reaffirm with fuller knowledge than before that there is a sincere desire for a friendly settlement at the white house, and that Great Britain's

acceptance of arbitration would be followed by an explosion of delight in America." Prussian Diet Loses Stoecker. LONDON, Feb. 2 .- The Chronicle's Berlin correspondent learns that as the outcome of the expulsion of Rev. Dr. Stoecker, late court chaplain, from the conservative party, on account of the disagreements on the sub-ject of Christian socialist reformers, Dr. Stoecker will resign his seat in the Prussian

Would Welcome Uhl. BUDAPEST, Hungary, Feb. 2 .- (New York World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)-The World correspondent understands from authority that Assistant Secretary Uhl of the United States Department of State, a diplomat of experience, would be acceptable as

American ambassador at Berlin. England Favorable to Bayard. LONDON, Feb. 2.-The Daily News in an editorial expresses its regret at the censure pronounced upon Mr. Bayard, the United States ambassador, "because," says the Daily News, "no man is better qualified to assist in a friendly settlement of the difficulties between England and America."

Want Leonard Arrested. LONDON, Feb. 2.-A dispatch from Capetown to the Times says the Spanish authorities have been asked to arrest Mr. Leonard, who had embarked from Capetown before the warrant which has been issued for his arrest could be served at Teneriffe.

Guatemala's Presidential Palace. Copyright, 1896, by Press Publishing Company. GUATEMALA, Feb. 2 .- (New York World liblegram - Special Telegram.)-The new presidential palace will be dedicated soon. President Barrios has bought over \$100,000 worth of furniture from Paris for it.

Unknown Vessel Burned at Sea. SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 2.-The barkentine Modoc arrived today and reports having sighted a vessel burning at sea on January 28 about 110 miles west of Cape Flattery. The vessel is supposed to be the Ninevah, which salled January 16 from Vancouver for the British south colonies. When sighted the vessel's stern was all on fire and the mizzenmast was gone, so that it could not be ascertained whether she was a bark or a ship. The Modoc stayed near for twenty-four hours, but as there were no signs of the crew and as the fire had passed the mizzenmast it was decided that the crew must have deserted the vessel. ing sighted a vessel burning at sea on Janu-

Mackays Return from Europe. NEW YORK, Feb. 2.-Mr. and Mrs. John V. Mackay and their son, Clarence, were convinces me that the palace party set affort the rumors of the Russo-Turkish alliance in order to increase the distrust among the powers.

American Commission at Shanghai. SHANGHAI, Feb. 2.—Mr. Cheshire, United States Consul Reed and Lieutenant Commander Merrill of the American commission of inquiry into the Chengtu outrages have arrived here.

DID NOT ASK FOR THEIR NAMES. BIG FLOOD IN THE SOUTH Captain of the Beebe Knows None of

the Hawkins' Passengers. BOSTON, Feb. 2.—The three masted schooner Leander V. Beebe, which vessel Loss of Life rescued the majority of the men comprising the ill-fated expedition which sailed from New York last Sunday night on the J. W. Hawkins, bound for Cubs, arrived at this port from Baltimore today, and dropped anchor in the upper harbor. Captain William M. Howes was put ashore by a tug and at once reported his arrival to his agents in this city. Captain Howes, after giving a detailed account of the rescue of seventy of the filibusterers from the sinking steamer, said:

"I do not know the names of any of the men, nor their position, nor did I ask them. Monday we were packed in the cabin like sardines in a box. Forty-one men were quartered there and the remainder distributed in other parts of the vessel. The men from the steamer saved nothing but their clothing. I furnished some of them hats, underclothing and coats; fed them and made all as comfortable as possible.

"On Tuesday, at 10 o'clock, when off the Highlands of Navesink, N. J., I sighted a tug boat in the distance and hoisted the usual signals for the boat to come albugside. The boat proved to be the Fred B. Dalzell, Captain de Nieso. I asked the captain what he would take a party of saventy shipwrecked. he would take a party of seventy shipwrecked men to New York for, and he replied \$100. I told him I would give him \$70 or \$1 per man, to which agreement he readily as-sented and the transfer of the men to the

tug was made.
"I paid the captain out of my own pocket
and the only assurance I have that I will ever get it back is the word of the men. by the way, were all gentlemen, and I think thoroughly honest.

"My stock of provisions was fast giving away, and I was glad of the opportunity to send them safely to New York. When the men left my ship, the tried to show their appreciation of the kindness of my crew and made up a purse to present to my men. They succeeded in raising \$30." Captain Howes was then asked if it was true that one of the men rescued was General Garcia, the leader of the expedition. He

said he did not know.
"The steward of the Hawkins," said Captain Howes, "who, by the way, was an American, told me the steamer was totally unfit for sea and that she leaked like a sieve while coming down Long Island sound."

MYSTERY OF A WOMAN'S MURDER. No Clew to the Author of the Crime

Near Cincinnati. CINCINNATI, Feb. 2.—A hundred different clews to the murder and beheading of woman near Fort Thomas on Friday night are floating today. Many of them have been a stream a mile wide. Traffic, though intertraced to a worthless origin. The sheriff of Campbell county, Kentucky, and all the detectives on both sides of the river are working on the case. Not a single arrest has been made and not a single suspicion has settled upon any man as the perpetrator nor has any thread been discovered likely to lead to the identification of the woman. All the ponds, as well as the Covington reservoir, have been dragged. The water is going out of the reservoir, as it has been for twenty-four hours. It will be well toward noon tomorrow before it will be empty. Then search in the mud for the head can be made. Meantime rumer is busy on all the streets tenight. One story generally circulated is that the head has been found, and that the murderer, a Fort Thomson soldier, has com-mitted suicide. Investigation has shown this to be wholly false. There is one theory on which there is a general agreement, and that is the woman was murdered in an attempt to take either money or papers from her person. This inference is justified by the signs of a struggle and the torn cond of the woman's clothing.

the murder of three soldiers, have been taken GAVE A CASH BOND AND LEFT. Hynms Brothers Glad to Get Away

TORONTO, Ont., Feb. 2.-The brothers Dallas and Harry Hymans, who were released yesterday on \$1,500 cash ball, to appear before the police magistrate Tuesday, left at noon today for New York on a special train, ac-Gooch, their New York counsel. Toronto detectives believe the brothers will forfeit their bond and that they will not be again seen in Canada.

BUFFALO, Feb. 2.—The belief of the

Toronto detectives that the Hyams brothers will not return to that city, but will forfeit their bail, will probably be realized. At any rate, money seems to be no particular object to the party, since the ordered special coach and engine to brin them from Suspension bridge to this city when, so far as time was concerned, they would have reached New York just as soon by waiting for the regular express which-Hyams continued their journey tonight.

OKLAHOMA CITIZENS MURDERED. Iwo Wealthy Frenchmen Killed by

Robbers Near Wewoka. KANSAS CITY, Feb. 2 .- A special to the limes from Perry, Okl., says: A horrible nurder has come to light west of here, near Wewoka, Two Frenchmen, aged 60 and 75 years, were found dead in their homes on a farm Thursday morning. The men, John and Jacob Mauntz, have never been married. They had a fine tract of land and lived in an ordinary house. It is said that they had great wealth and the theory is that they were murdered for their money. John E. Ezell was passing the Mountz homestead and saw the elder Mauntz hanging in the yard and was astonished to find him dead. The old man was hanged up by a rope, a piece of which was around his neck and was also shot. brother was dead in the house, with several builte holes through him. Officers are mak-ing an investigation. The theory is that robpers hung the men and then took their

FUNERAL WAS TOO HURRIED. Burial of an Indiana Physician

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Feb. 2.-Waveland is all excitement over the mysterious burial of Dr. Columbus Moore, a former resident, who died recently in Chicago. The Chicago undertaker had telegraphed to Waveland that upon arrival of the coffin it must be buried immediately and without opening it. This was done by lantern light upon the arrival of the midnight train. But when it was learned that Moore had died of a disease that had baffled the doctors and that he had been an invalid for years, the peculiar burial order aroused suspicion. It is thought the coffin did not contain any body and it is very probable the coffin will

DEMAND THEIR BACK Chicago & Southeastern Shopmen at Lebauon Strike.

LEBANON, Ind., Feb. 2.—The entire forces of the Chicago & Southeastern railroad shops struck yesterday for back pay they declare to be due them. Early today the shops were found on fire and saved with great difficulty, number of freight cars and freight and passenger stations being destroyed. The strikers deny a hand in the conflagration, and in a mass meeting passed resolutions condemning mob violence. It is rumored tonight the trainmen will join the strikers unless a settlement is reached within the next twentyfour hours.

Will Not Cult an Extra Session. INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 2.-Governor Ma thews today officially announced he would ot call an extra ression of the legis Movements of Ocean Vessels, Feb. 2.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Arrived—La Touralne from Havre; Scotia from Hamburg; Umbria from Liverpool.

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and Property in Two States.

VERY HEAVY RAINS IN MISSISSIPPI Entire Family of Children Drowned While Their Parents Were

Away from Home at a

Festival.

MADISON, Miss., Feb. 2.-A terrific rain fell here last night, washing away bridges and road beds, all through this section. The water at Calhoun station was the highest for thirty years.

TERRY, Miss., Feb. 2.-Heavy rains here the past forty-eight hours caused a general overflow of streams. Bridges were carried away in all directions, causing a loss of many thousands of dellars to the country. CANTON, Miss., Feb. 2.-Rains in the past forty-eight hours have caused the most

destructive overflow known in this section for twenty years. The entire western portion of the city is inundated from two to five feet deep. The people of the overflowed section have been taken by boats to other sections of the city. The Illinois Central rail-road is submerged and many bridges destroyed. News was received here this morning of the drowning of an entire family of children on the Reid place, four miles from Canton, the parents having gone to a festival and the dwelling being flooded before their return

PORT GIBSON, Miss., Feb. 2.—Rain fell here for thirty hours continuously. The government gauge shows a fall of 7½ inches.

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COLUMBIA, Tex., Feb. 2.—The Brazos river began rising from the normal stage less than forty-eight hours since, now it is outside its banks in a number of places. Travelers from Brazos report the road between that place and this is now covered in apparent places, and if the rise continues. several places, and if the rise continues communication in the direction of the county seat will be interrupted. The water now entirely surrounds this town except toward the north, or the Richmond road. The rise is almost unprecedented.

NAVASOTA, Tex., Feb. 2.—The Brazos river is still rising, being six inches over the Santa Fe track for two miles near the Allen farm. The two rivers have united between Navasota and Allen farm, making

fered with, will not be suspended.

MEMPHIS, Feb. 2.—The unprecedented rains in the lower Mississippi valley during the past ten days have caused all streams to overflow and the low lands in Tennessee, Arkansas and Mississippi are one vast sea of water. Bridges have been washed away on several of the railroads and traffic is seriously delayed. In Arkansas the damage from the flood will reach high figures. The Ouachita river rose thirty feet within thirty-six hours and the torrent of waters swept everything before it. Many fine plantations and farms in that fertile valley have been submerged and outhouses and fences swept submerged and outhouses and fences swept away. Rain has been falling almost steadily during the past forty-eight hours and the water will go still higher.

VICKSBURG, Miss., Feb. 2.—No trains have arrived today over the Alabama & Vicksburg railroad from Meridian, owing to the washouts, nor any from New Orlsans over the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley. Floods and rains are reported everywhere.

LOST CONTROL OF THE MOTOR CAR

Twenty Persons Injured in an Accident at San Francisco. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 2.-Twenty people were more or less injured today by an acning to the Cliff house. A car loaded with about seventy-five people was bound in from the beach, and while descending a steep grade the motorman lost control of the car and it plunged forward at a high rate of speed. The car jumped the track and companied by Mr. Wellman of Wellman & plunged about fifty feet through the sand. Those of the passengers who were outside all jumped, and they were the ones most injured. Broken legs and ankles, bruises and wounded scapls were numerous, about twenty suffering injury in some way. Simon Koshland, a wealthy wool dealer, had his left leg shattered. None of the passengers were fatally burt, and the wounded were

quickly removed to their homes. CUNARDER STUCK IN THE MUD.

Umbria a Prisoner for an Hour Near Her Slip. NEW YORK, Feb. 2.-For an hour and half tonight the Cunard steamship Umbria was a prisoner in the mud of the north river. The vessel had reached her pier and was being warped into the slip. The tide was lower than usual, owing to the strong westerly wind, and for that reason when the Umbria had been headed in she was caught in the soft mud. The vessel's engines were reversed, but she refused to budge. After four tugs had hauled away for an hour, the steamer slipped into her berth. In the strong box of the Umbria there was a gold hipment of 380,355 pounds sterling, equal to \$1,901,775. The gold is consigned to half dozen firms. S. Fleming, the purser, said he did not know where the gold was going. It is understood it is for the purchase of bonds.

WAS A CRIPPLE CREEK FAKE. Secretary of the Treasury Denies

Recent Rumor. ATCHISON, Feb. 2 .- A few weeks ago a story was published that the owners of gold mines at Cripple Creek had offered gold bullion in return for silver dollars, but that the government had declined the offer. A prominent Atchison democrat wrote Secretary Carlisle some time ago and received the follow-ing reply: "There is not a word of truth in the statement that the owners of gold mines at Cripple Creek or any other place have of-fered to give the government gold bullion in exchange for silver dollars or for any other kind of currency."

Peculiar Case at Cleveland. CLEVELAND, Feb. 2.-Francis A. Lon bard, a man about 50 years of age, has been a prisoner in the county jail here for more than a week under impsterious cir-cumstances. It is said the arrest was pro-cured by George Shiras of Pittsburg, son of Justice Shiras of the United States su-preme court, and it is intimated that the charge is subornation of perjury. The pris-oner is to be held here until Wednesday, when he will probably be taken to Pitts-burg, having been bound over to the federal grand jury in that city.

Lynn Polsoning Case Unsolved. NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—The condition of Martin Lynn and his wife, who were found unconscious in their residence yesterday unconscious in their residence yesterday, suffering from polson mysteriously administered, still remains unchanged. At midnight they had not recovered consciousness. The children are out of danger. It is thought by some that the polson may have been administered by Miss Lynn, the sister, who was found in the house dead, while she was suffering from mental unsoundness, brought about by her diseased condition.

Canadians Stealing Timber, SALT LAKE, Feb. 2.—A special to the Tribune from Butte, Mont, says: Com-plaint comes from settlers in Totton and Choteau counties alleging that the forest on the American side of the boundary hav been almost denuded of timber by Cana dians and that millions of dollars' wort of lumber has been taken during the pa-few years. The inspector has referred to matter to the secretary of the interior.

DR. DUESTROW FOUND GUILTY. BIG FIRE CAUSES A PANIC

Missouri Murderer of Wife and Child Will Hang. UNION, Mo., Feb. 2.—The celebrated case of Dr. Arthur Duestrow, the St. Louis millionaire, who has been on trial during the past month for the cold blooded murder of his wife and baby boy two years ago, ended today, the jury returning a verdict of guilty in the first degree. After arguments that took up the greater part of Saturday, and lasted until almost midnight, the case was given to the jury, the members of which went to rest without considering it. This morning the first ballot found the defendant guilty of murder in the first degree. The result was reached without much trouble, each member of the jury seemingly having settled the case in his own mind in the interval between midnight and this morning.

This is the second trial that Dr. Duestrow

has had on the charge of murder, the first resulting in a hung jury last year. The terrible crime with which he was charged was committed in February, 1894. One day that month, his wife and child were at home awaiting his coming to take a drive. When he came into the house, Duestrow, who was drunk, began to abuse his wife and finally chot her down in cold blood. He then picked up his 3-year-old boy, a beautiful child, and holding him at arm's length, killed him with a pistol shot through the head. His wife lingered for several days and finally After his arrest, Duestrow, with the help of his fortune, tried to evade the conse-quences of his crime. Ex-Governor Johnson, who is credited with being one of the finest criminal lawyers of this state, was

given charge of the case and was assisted by Colonel Nat Dryden, Charles Noland and J. Wesley Booth. Prosecuting Attorney Zachritz of St. Louis was assisted by Judge Bolte, presecuting attorney of Franklin county, Judge Gallenkamp and Lee Merrisether, Caupsal for the defance of the servative estimate places the aggregate at Counsel for the defense endeavored to establish a plea of insanity, but after two inquiries held before juries in which most expert testimony was heard on both sides. it was given up and the case came to trial in Union, on a change of venue from St. Louis. The first trial ended in a hung jury. Throughout the last trial before Judge Hirzel, Governor Johnson and his assistants kept up the insanity idea and were ably seconded by the defendant, who endeavored to create the impression that he was crazy As during the two inquests and the forme trial the defense put on the stand a number of the most prominent physicians in the state as experts, to prove Duestrow's insanity. Equally eminent experts testified on behalf of the state, and throughout the trial there was an almost constant warfare between the opposing counsel. Arguments were finally began on Saturday morning in a crowded court room. Those present were disappointed that the eloquent Governor Johnson was not able to speak, being confined to his room with a sprained ankle Judge Bolte, prosecuting attorney of Frank-

lin county, began the arguments. He dwelt particularly upon the instructions of the court given the day previous, explaining them in detail. Charles Noland, for the defense, spoke with eloquence, force and conviction. He directed his attacks against the state's contention that the crime was due to drunkenness and Duestrow's desire to con-He was followed by Judge Gallenkamp.

who roundly denounced the attempt of the dofense to besmirch the names of the pris-J. W. Booth, for the defense, argued that the worst that could be said of Duestrow was that he drank hard and was a million-

Lee Merriwether's denunciation of the at-tack made by the defendant and his counsel upon the defendant's mother was most scathing. He also showed how criminal attorneys resorted to every means to plead for and ac-

defense and at some length resented Merri-Prosecuting Attorney Zachritz, who was

then went to the jury.

When the result of the jury's deliberations was made known today Duestrow's counsel said an appeal to the supreme could would

the court room. THREE PEOPLE COMMIT SUICIDE.

One Woman and Two Men Kill Themselves in New York. BROOKLYN, N. Y., Feb. 2 .- One woman Brooklyn. For some time past she has been of his party had escaped. constant sufferer from neuralgia, and that, together with the fact that her husband, Anton Schwarz, a prominent member of the Brewers' exchange, had been found dead hotel. Many of the other guests rushed from about a year under peculiar circumstances their rooms in their night clothes and would in New York City, had-given her great men-

tal worry.
She shot herself through the mouth this morning, and when her son rushed into the building was in no danger. Among the guests room he discovered his mother had placed were Jennie Steele of Terre Haute, Thomas several rubber tubes over the gas jets and run them across the bed where she lay. He also found an empty bottle, which, it is believed contained a quantity of laudanum. Henry Burnse, a German, 50 years old, killed himself by drinking a mixture of strychnine and lager beer, during, it said, a fit of temporary insanity, because was reduced from the position of foreman that of conductor on the Reade avenue

trolley line. Raynor E. Rogers, 36 years old, shot himself in the head and died soon afterward.

Deaths of a Day. BERLIN, Feb. 2.—The grand duchess of Oldenburg is dead. She was born in 1826 and as Elizabeth, princess of Saxe-Altenand as Elizabeth, princess of Saxe-Altenburg, she was married in 1852 to the grand duke of Oldeaburg.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—George Bliss, senior member of the banking firm of Morton, Eliss & Co., died at his home in this city today. The cause of death was paralysis of the heart.

WASHINGTO, Feb. 2.—Lieutenant-Commander Rehert E. Carmody of the navy died suddenly at his home in Georgetown today. Lieutenant Carmody was appointed to the navy from New York on September 29, 1860, and received the rank of lieutenant-commander February 28, 1890. He was retired June 6, 1895.

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CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—Harry Wats, at one time a civil engineer of some prominence, died tonight of heart disease in a cheap lodging house. He is said to have been wealthy at one time and to be well con-nected in New York. His wife, who pro-cured a divorce from him, lives in Wash-ington, D. C.

Mand Bonesteel Mystery. CINCINNATI, Feb. 2.-No progress has been made in unraveling the mystery of the fate of Maud Belle Bonesteel, who disappeared from Kansas City one year ago. There is not the shadow of verification of the story that she died from the effects of a griminal operation performed by a physician of this city, nor has any gambler named Raymond nor any other person been arrested for complicity in that crime.

BOSTON, Feb. 2.—When the murderer of Mrs. Sophie Grant left his victim in the kitchen of her Brighton street house, Charlestown district, last night, he covered his retreat perfectly. Not a clew can be found. The theory of robbery is losing credence. Several detentions have been made by the police, but no arrests.

Colonel Thompson's Condition.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—At the residence of Colone! W. P. Thompson, the turfman, tonight, it was said that Mr. Thompson's condition was unchanged. No grave fears are entertained.

EAGLE PASS, Tex., Feb. 2.—Three hundred and fifty boiler makers and machinists of the Mexican International Rullway company are out on a strike. They demand 25 pany are out on a strike. They demand 25 per cent increase in wages and reinstates in wages and reinstates in wages and reinstates was bought for \$500,000 by a commissioner of sale. It was been granted, but negotiations are in progress.

Two Million Dollar Blaze Among Philadelphia Buildings.

LAFAYETTE HOTEL GUESTS ROUTED

Two Hundred and Fifty Disturbed by the Upper Stories of the Structure Being Destroyed.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 2.-Chestnut street, above Broad, was visited early this morning by one of the flercest fires this city has known for years. The big seven-story building of Charles H. Hazeltine, Nos. 1416 and 1418 Chestnut street, and the adjoining fivestory structure of the Baptist Publication society and the American Baptist Historical society, No. 1420, were destroyed.

The buildings damaged by fire and water and falling walls were the four-story dry goods house of Homer, Leboutillier & Co., Nos. 1412 and 1414, the dwelling house at 1422, owned by the Wistar estate, and the Hotel Lafayette at Broad and Sansom streets. On either side of the main entrance to the Hazeltine building were the piano warerooms of Hallet & Davis, at 1416, and of close to \$2,000,000. It is thought this is almost fully covered by insurance.

There were about 250 guests in the Lafayette hotel, which is the rear of the destroyed buildings. Among these were Porter King, mayor of Atlanta, Ga., and the others of his party, who escorted the Liberty bell home and reached Philadelphia yesterday. Olga Nethersole, the actress, her brother, Louis F. Nethersole, and Madge Meadows and Maud Clayton of her company were also guests of the LaFayette. While there was considerable confusion in the hotel, the guests, barring a few weeping women, kept cool heads and all were removed in safety.

GUESTS WENT ELSEWHERE. The Atlanta party was carried in a patrol wagon to the Continental hotel, five blocks away, and the Nethersole party to the Metropole, opposite the Lafayette. Every other hostelry in the city was thrown open for the reception of the disturbed guests. Only the eighth and ninth floors of the hotel were burned, although the back of the building from cellar to roof was badly damaged by smoke and water. It had only been recently opened by a new management, after thorough renovation.

It was shortly before 3 o'clock when Poicemen Rice and Howard, while patrolling their beats at Broad and Chestnut streets, detected the smell of smoke. They straightoner's father and mother in order to prove way ran to the Lafayette hotel and went bereditary insanity, which attempt had been from floor to floor, looking for fire. When they reached the sixth a fierce blaze met their sight. It was in the rear of the Hazeltine building, which reached dangerously near the back of the hotel building. An alarm was struck, but before the first

engine could reach the scene a strong west wind had carried the flames throughout the entire building. A dozen lines of hose were quit their clients.

Again Colonel Nat Dryden closed for the light wood and paper which stocked the secturned on the Chestnut street front, but the ond, third and fourth floors, was easy food ing was known as the Hazeltine art galthe last to speak, brought into play all his ing was known as the Hazeltine art gal-powers of ridicule, sarcasm and wit and de- leries. Many leading artists had studios there livered a very effective address. The case and the art collections stored under the roof aggregated in value thousands of dollars. COLLAPSE OF BUILDINGS.

At 4 o'clock the walls began to collapse Duestrow received the verdict and the flames spread to the east of Homer, be made. Duestrow received the verdict and the flames spread to the east of Homer, calmly. He sat smeking a cigarette as the Leboutillier & Co. and on the west to the judge read the paper handed in by the jury. Baptist Publication society. A general alarm As far as external appearances go he was the coolest man among the twenty-five law-yers, reporters and citizens assembled in tion of the entire block, which was for a time threatened.

The upper p r ion of the Lafayette hatel was ignited by sparks flying from the burning building on Chestnut street, but the blaze was confined to the eighth and ninth floors. The and two men committed suicide in this city fire was not controlled until long after daytoday. The sensational suicide, however, was break and lines of hose are still playing upon that of Mrs. Augusta Schwarz, a wealthy it. Mayor King of Atlanta, aroused from his widow, who owned a handsome residence in bed by the fire, refused to leave the threat-Berkeley Place, the aristocratic section of ened hotel until he saw that every member

Olga Nethersole was one of the calmest persons in the building. She saw most of her effects safely removed before she left the their rooms in their night clothes and would have continued into the street had not assurance been made that the lower part of the A. Renham, Detroit; John Campbell, Spokane; Charles C. Boschee and wife, Buffalo; W. M. Barrett, Cincinnati; George Doran, Chicago; E. A. Patterson, Chicago; John W. Delano, Salt Lake City; George B. Clark, Washington, D. C.; and the following New Yorkers: J. H. Lyman and wife, J. R. Eagan, jr., Thomas Paul and wife, F. A. Ranney, John P. Haines, H. M. Kretchjian, A. G. Pukeysea, R. H. Gillespie and A. Wilson; E. R. Jamson of Boston, Harrison and William Parson of Baltimore and J. E. Blythe of St.

Louis. AS TO THE LOSSES. The Hazeltine building was valued at \$700,-000 and was fully insured. It was erected in 1888 and the first two floors were "fire proof." The loss on paintings on the second floor is between \$300,000 and \$400,000; uninsured.

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Among those destroyed were two by G. H.
Selous, valued at \$30,000 each; one by
Roberts-Fleury, valued at \$10,000.

There were thirty-nine offices in the building, occupied majnly by artists, lawyers and
dentists. Drs. Edwards and Cory, dentists,
on the third floor, lost a collection of South
American curios valued at \$10,000; partly insured. Other tenants lost sums ranging from sured. Other tenants lost sums ranging from \$50 to \$1,000. The valuable stock of planes in the stores on the first floor was destroyed, but the amount of this loss has not yet been

estimated. The Baptist publication building and stock were valued at \$400,000; insurance not given. The Historical society lost 10,000 volumes, valued at \$200,000 and insured for \$25,000. Dr. Wayland, the eminent divine, also lost Dr. Wayland, the eminent divine, also lost a valuable private library, on which there was no insurance, and Dr. T. C. Stolmoyer lost \$4,000. The losses on the Homer, Leboutilleire & LaFayette hotel buildings have not yet been approximated. The origin of the fire has not been learned.

Not a Legal Marriage for Fifty Years. PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 2.-The authorities have discovered that the new law

COLUMBUS, Ga., Feb. 2—The Georgia Midland railway was sold at auction here