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REVIEW OF THE CUBAN WAR

How the Trouble Begun and Has Been Maintained.

CAMPOS COULD HAVE SECURED PEACE

But the Deposed General's Soldiers Were Not the Instruments the Rebels Thought He Could Best Use.

(Copyright, 1896, by the Associated Press,) NEW YORK, May 24 .- A gentleman for forty-five years a resident of Cuba in an interview with a representative of the Associated press today gave the following timely resume of the past and present of the Cuban rebellion of today, or that initiated February 24, 1895. Parable,

and was conducted with great secrecy. It had many active agents among the best classes In central and eastern Cuba. Since the close of the last war the very active propaganda of the autonomists has educated the masses. Today they want equal freedom for all.

"Everything was done by the masses through their representatives to persuade Spain to grant their reasonable demands, but the long promised reforms were deferred from the long promised reforms were deferred from year to year. Early in 1805 many of the colored, or working classes were idle. Then, February 24, 1895, a number raised the flag of rebellion and demanded a free Cuba. The standard of revolt was set up in a number of places and the blacks joined the party leaders.

"Simul ameously in contral Cuba small parties formed. At that time the movement.

ties formed. At that time the movement was not deemed a really serious one. How ever, the small parties maintained their in-dependence and grew in numbers and strength. Then they had few or no arms, but all had the death-dealing machete.

MADE LIGHT OF THE AFFAIR. "The Spanish officials, not believing the movement was serious, so informed the government and made light of the whole uperament and made fight of the waste up-rising. Later, Spain became alarmed and gent out General Martinez Campos, who, in-stead of bringing the long promised reforms brought soldiers, whereas, if he had come alone authorized to adjust all the differences the extension of the rebellion would have

been prevented and a settlement had. "While the insular events were multiply-ing Generals Gemez and Macco landed with a considerable following. They we a joined later by the late Jose Marti. Then General Crombet and his party landed. They were ambushed by the Spanish, Crombet was killed, the survivors were made prisoner and today are in More castle at Havana.

"When it became known that Gemez.
Matti and Macco had landed hundreds of
Cubins abandoned their homes and joined
them. Generals Gemez, Marti and others commenced e ganizing their respective commands. Later reports came of exitmishes

with the Spanish troops. The rebels made many prisoners and thus secured arms.

HOW FOOD WAS OBTAINED. "The rebe's foraged for all living supplies Next the rebels made the owners of estates pay a tax on all cattle slaughtered for gen eral or private consumption. Herds were driven into the mountain fastnesses for future supplies. Then, as now, they had more men than could be armed. The best men were selected and armed as tirradores, or charpshoeters. The men without arms, savof rich mountain lands, growing corn, pumpkins, sweet potatoes and plantains, food supplies and commissuriat depart

main center of the rebellion. The people in central and eastern Cuba who are openly on the side of the rebels sympathize with them and keep them fully advised of every movement of the royal troops."

In reply to a question regarding the preent strength, the gentleman said that fully 50,000 men are in the various rebel commands, of whom, say three-fourths, have

BLACKS THE BEST FIGHTERS.

"Quite recently," said he, "when Genera Calixto Garcia landed, hundreds of white and blacks instantly joined his standard The men in the rebel army are about hal white and half negroes. The laffer make the best soldiers. As a general rule in fight they fire two or three velleys, close with the enemy and rush in, machete in hand shouting their favorite ery, 'A machete.
All sense of danger seems to disappear nd they fight like demons and make fearful adversaries. Arms are cut off at a blow and heads split open to the very chin. "The rebel army is officered by whites and blacks. Discipline is rigidly enforced. Rob-

ery in the broad sense also is punished," When asked as to the rebel method of attack the speaker said that it was of the usual Cuban type. "They post their tirradores, or sharp-

sheeters, in parties of fifty. First they enfrom ambush, firing upon them and produc-ing panic and death. If crowded too much that party will fall back, while a new one of fifty will make a flank attack, and so they uply harass the Spaniards and expose themselves as little as possible. The Cubans are as crafty in ambushing as Indians. In many of the skirmishes in which the tir-radores fell back when outnumbered, such ngagements are made to do duty as Span-

POLICY OF SPANISH TROOPS. "The policy of the Spanish troops is one of makeshifts, rather than of search and battling with the Cubans. The real fighting today is in the western part of central Cuba and to that part the rebels are hurrying for ward every available man. In many ceas cities and towns trade is at a standstill and there is much misery and want, mill selling at \$1 a gallon. No vegetables are available and there is great difficulty in getting meat. But for breadstuffs received from the United States and elsewhere famine would follow. Despite all statements to the contrary the rebels cross the trocha when-

er they please.
"The continued presence of Antonio Ma-"The continued presence of Antonio Maceo in the province of Pinar del Rio is of
his own volution. His following today is we'll of new looms that have been introduced. armed and has ammunition.

The Cubans have orders to release all prisoners captured, after securing their arms and supplies. On the other hand, however Spanish commanders are responsible for the shooting of hundreds of defenseless persons and reporting the affair as a Spanish victory. Early in the rebellion women were not allowed in the Cuban bands, but since the de-cree ordering the abandoning of rural towns and hamlets has been put in force thousands ter. of women have joined the rebels, many of them taking their families with them. One mother left her Spanish husband and took pine cons into the Cuban army.

DESTROYING EVERYTHING "The Spanish destroy everything as they march. The Cubans do not now hold any arms, having reduced this to a science.

town, village or port; but, when advised of expeditions, the rebels concentrate near the coast and cover the landing of men and steamers lay to at night outside of the ma-rine league. The beats, painted a light drab, are swung over the side when they are laden with men and arms. If a man-of boats without lights make for the shore. the expeditions sent to Cuba have landed except the Competitor. Nineteen expeditions have made successful trips. Thousands of rides and machetes and tens of thousands of carridges have reached the rebels, includsome cannon, dynamite and hospital

"The climate today between rain and mois-ture is invaluable to the Cubans. It pens from revolving.

up their encinies, while they can recruit and get ready for the dry season's campaign. "Regarding American investments in Cuba. many millions of American money are invested in mines and sugar estates in Cuba. The question of belligerency was discussed. Any delay in that line, the Cuban residents say, will simply protong the war. The rebels may that they will not accept any government of Cuba under Spanish rule.

MUST BE A FREE CUBA. It must be a free Cuba. If, perchance, the inited States intervened and asked for the United States intervened and assect for the sale of Cuba to Cubass under an American guarantee, such an arrangement would lead to a reseation of bostilities. Short of that they will accept nothing from Spain Falling recognition as belligerents, they will fight for ten years.

"Havana and western Cuba are loyal to Spain. Many loyal Spaniards, however, want fuller rights for Cuba.

"Annexation is not understood, nor with the masses acceptable. They would doem it but a change of masters without any bene-"The damage done to the coffee and sugar estates in Cuba," he says, "is almost irre-

Owing to his interests in Cuba and his being in sympathy with the Cubans, he refused to permit his name to be used.

"The present rebellion," he said, "was devised and planned by Cubans in New York.

Following its conception a carefully worked out propaganda was made in eastern Cuba.

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Out of today, or that initiated February 24, 1885.

He said: "Hundreds of Spaniards are sent to Cuba take official positions. Many are appointed with the clear but tacit understanding that one-half of their gains were to be remitted to the official who had set to be remitted to the official who had set to be remitted to the official who had set to be remitted to the cuban budget is made good by a national tax on Cuban property."

This informant made a single exception to next Saturday.

It is not thought that the period within He mid: "Hundreds of Spaniards are sent

Fillbuster's Vessel Fired Upon by Spanish Men-of-War.

NEW YORK, May 24.—News reached this Carriava & Co., Tampa and New York, alone lity today from Puerto Cortez, Honduras, have 8,000 bales of leaf to ship. NEW YORK, May 24.- News reached this that the steamship Bermuda, with a large party of fillbusters and a cargo of ammunition and provisions, had a nar ow escape on her last cruise to Cuba.

This was the Bermuda's second successful trip. She crossed the St. Johns river bar on April 7. Lieutenant Colonel Peida Vidal was charge of the expedition and the steamer was in command of Captain E. G. Reilly. The vessel passed Bermuda and hove to at a place on the northern coast of Cuba, some a place on the northern coast of Cuba, some ten miles east of Cardenas and at once began to lower her boats. It was said teday by one in authority that the first boat capsized being overloaded, and that five men were drowned, among them N. de Cardenas, a brother of Colonel Nicholas de Cardenas, the of the insurgent leaders.

The armed launch Intrepid conveyed yesterlay from Sagua Grande a ship carrying provisions to the troops in Sagua Chica. The provisions were landed safety, but when the launch left the rebels attacked the troops and tried to capture the supplies. The department of Colonel Nicholas de Cardenas, a brother of Colonel Nicholas de Cardenas, the colones of the insurgent leaders.

f the insurgent leaders.
The cargo was all landed, when one of the cats got adrift. Some of the party began houting. Suddenly the flash of an electric light was seen directly over the ship's masthead. The shouts of the men in the masticaid. The shouls of the men in the boat had been heard by a Spanish warsh p. There was a flash and a rear and a solld shot passed about 200 feet astern of the ship. Captain Relily headed his ship westward and was pulling away from the Stanlarde very quicky. A few minutes after a second shot was fired and went wide. Then it was discovered that two Scarlish and the CRITICISED THE CONFERENCE.

Bishop Thoburn at Cleveland Dewas discovered that two Spanish gun oats were in pursuit. The race between he warship and the fillbuster was an excit ng one, but the Bermuda had no trouble in showing the Spaniards her heels. When lay dawned nothing could be seen of the

VON BIERBESTEIN ON STERN.

American Sunday Laws Set Up as a Full for German Statutes. BERLIN, May 24.—In speaking of the

Thus ments appeared to prevail in the United States than are entertained in Corner to the state of the state are entertained in Germany. In cases where German laws were involved he seemed to think only German views should have weight. He cited the case of the present law cor cerning Sunday, now being very vigorously enforced in New York. Germans had been centenced to imprisonment and compelled to pay disproportionately heavy fines. However, it was never thought the German goverument should intervene in their behalf. Germany, he said, expected a similar attitude on the part of the United States. He must, therefore, decline to convey the crit-cal remarks of Secretary Olney to the Bavarian government, whose officials had im-posed the sentence upon Mr. Stern, or in

LI HUNG CHANG INTERVIEWED.

tions Touched Upon. MOSCOW, May 24.-Li Hung Chang, the pecial envoy of the emperor of China to the coronation of the czar, has submitted to an interview on the subject of his mission in Russia and in other western countries, which he will visit when he leaves Russia. He said he intended to go to America after visiting France and England. The role mission entrusted to him, he continued, apart from the coronation, was to study the European and American systems of government with a view to introducing foreign custom in China. He formally denied that an treaty had yet been concluded with Russia, as has been so often asserted in the last few months. He also said that he had no projects for the conclusion of the treaties with any power. Russia and China, he averred, were in accord on all points, and it was China's wish to maintain the same exellent relations with France,

VETERANS CELEBRATE IN MEXICO.

Memorial Day Services Held by Grand Army Members. CITY OF MEXICO, May 24.—The local Grand Army of the Republic held a commemorative service today at the Methodist church and an eloquent sermon was delivered by Rev. Mr. Evans.

British subjects resident here celebrated the queen's birthday by an athletic contest nd pienie.
There will be a heavy increase in

Regulations for fiscal reforms consequent on the abolition of old interstate and intermunicipal duties, to go into effect July 1, give satisfaction. The next reform will probably be the simplification of the tariff. which, however, will be accomplished in so gradual a way as to give no shock to the manufacturing industries which are now asvast importance and which it is the duty of the government to protect and fos-

LONDON, May 24 .- A famous suit of armor, which Charles VII presented to Jean of Arc, has been found in the galleries of the chateau of Aisne , where it was placed years ago, by a collector, the marquis de Courval. Stood there will be a minority report con-lit exactly fits a girl 5 feet 4 inches in height and hears the arms which Charles VII he-question has been raised as to the next place

sion ob her triumphal entry into Rheims.

LONDON, May 24 .- The directors of the Eurl's court wheel have decided to present \$25 to every one of the persons imprisoned in that structure throughout the night of Thursday and the morning of Friday last, owing to the disarrangement of the machinery of that structure, which prevented the wheel

GENERAL WEYLER IN HAVANA

His Short Excursion Ends in the Grounding of the War Vessel.

FITZHUGH LEE HAS ENGAGED ROOMS

New Consul General Expects to Reach the Cuban Capital Next Saturday_Exporters Rushing Out Tobacco.

General Weyler returned to Havana today from Bahla Honda. The war ship Marquere de la Ensenda, on which he sailed from Bahia Honda, ran afround fifty yards from

official irregularity in Cuba, that of General
Martinez Campos, who, he said, was an honest captain general.

It is not thought that the period within which leaf tobacco already con-racted for may be exported will be extended. The rush may be exported will be extended. The rush BERMUDA HAS A NARROW ESCAPE. to get the leaf out is very great, and the Plant line has put on another ship, the Al-glers, which will take to Tampa 5,000 bales comorrow. Much given leaf is being shipped.

General Weyler has instructed General Arolas, commander of the trocha, to circulate the news so that Maceo shall know that Gomez has failed to concentrate and from being captured by the Spanish warships move west. Nevertheless, reports indicate reat activity on the part of Gomez's men. Rallway communication has been cut between Esperana Jacotea, in Matanzas, on the Cardenas line, and Jucaro. A dispatch dated May 20 says that many rebels are in the vicinity. Farmers arriving there report

cannonading.
The armed launch Intrepid conveyed yes

Volunteer corps of Havana went to the cathedral today, where its banner was dedicated. Then it went to a banquet at Regla, across the bay. The banquet proved to be a great demonstration of loyalty to Spain. One of the speakers, Eva Canel, an author-

livers a Strong Sermon.

CLEVELAND, May 24.—Bishop Theburn ook occasion in a sermon he delivered at the Armory today to lecture the delegates to the Methodist conference for their indifference regarding missions. Bishop Thoburn has long been a laborer in the mission field of India and he took the conference to tack severely for not giving better financial support to the work. "Some day," he said, "we shall all stand

Some day, he send, we shall all stand stand stand stand stand: "If Mr. Stern claimed the same respect in Germany that Germans had enjoyed in America he should conduct himself while mission cause. The only answer we can make will be that we were so busy with previous questions, questions of privilege, points of order and laying things on the table' in Germany in the manner expected from educated, respectable men temporarily in

> India; but even at that rate it would take 200 years to Christianize the country. The sermon has given rise to talk that a motion will be made to reconsider the vote bishops, in order that an assistant for Bishop The burn may be chosen. The bishop said tonight he did not care so much for an assistant. Since the hard times had begun he money supply of the missions has failen off to such an extent that it will be necessary to send home from India one of six of the missionaries now there. Bishop Thoburn has been quoted as saying that he would resign if the conference did not afford him help. He denies that. He says, however, that if financial support is not pro-cided by the conference he will remain in this country and endeavor to raise the

> cincinnati, May 24.—A Commercial Gazette special from Xenia, O., says: Quite a number of delegates to the general assembly of the United Presbyterian Rev. J. H. McMichael will preach the open ing sermon Wednesday night. Among dele gates who occupied pulpits here today Rev. Mr. Kirkpatrick of Scattle, Wash. Rev. H. C. Marshall of Rock Island, Ill. Rev. Stewart of San Francisco and Rev. Riley Litle of Albany, Ore.

REV. WITHROW PLEADS FOR PEACE

byterian Conference Talks. SARATOGA, N. Y., May 24.—Moderator Withrow, newly elected to office in the Presbyterian conference, said today in the course of his discourse, that he was pleading for moderation and conciliation. His subject Questioned as to the relations of China to Great Britain, Li says it was difficult to make himself acquainted with the point libustrated in the career of Christ in the illustrated in the career of Christ, in the ourse of Christianity in the world, and in he conduct of Christians. With great emphasis and reiteration he exclaimed: "The horridest thing of hades is to see human beings trying to hurt one another. Theological contests never have been a source of ben-efit," he declared, "though possibly good may have been brought out of ecclesiastical

He expressed entire dissent from the ples, who declare: "We will cleanse the church, even if we split it apart in doing so." Christianity does not receive the confidence of the world while it uses the axe. Fighting churches are a laughing stock. Conclination and mutual consideration are indispensable to the healthy growth and progress comes with The moderator's sermon has been the subject of general investigation ever since it was delivered, the liberal and the

noderate classes applauding its spirit.
Tomorrow will be a busy day in the asmbly. The further consideration of the report on young people is in order for the morning and the floor has been accorded to Rev. C. S. Lane of Mount Vernon, N. Y. who will move to strike out the remainder of the resolution and to discharge the committee. It is threatened by the more active supporters of the Christian Enleavor movement that they will move to re-onsider what has already been done and

throw the whole matter overboard.

The report of the committee appointed to nfer with the seminaries in order to bring them into closer relations with the assembly will be presented tomorrow. It is underand hears the arms which that the sego of or meeting. An invitation has been received from Petoskey. Mich., but it is said it is not likely to be seriously considered. The sion of her triumphal entry into likelins.

Francisco. Favorable action is said to depend upon the disposition of the churches there and their readiness to guarantee a part of the expenses of taking the assembly

> Movements of Ocean Vessels, May 24. Havre-Arrived-La Touraine, from New Southampton-Arrived-Saale, from York. Queenstown-Salied-Lucania, for New

so far.

SOME CLOUDS IN THE SENATE.

Line of Proceedings for the Week Not Very Clear. WASHINGTON, May 23 .- The outlook se

o the line of proceeding in the senate during the present week is not very clear. It s the general understanding that the debate on Senator Buller's bond resolution will contique Munday and possibly longer, but if it holds the floor beyond Monday there will be an effort to displace it with the general leffciency appropriation bill. This is the only one of the appropriation bills which as not received the altention of the senate. and as it has now been reported the members of the appropriations committee ar-Copyright, 1896, by Press Publishing Company.)
HAVANA, May 24.—(New York World
Cablegram — Special Telegram.)—Captain possible to hold a quorum, and therefore may insist upon going forward to a finish before the deficiency bill is considered. He before the deficiency bill is considered. He thinks it will be possible to conclude the senate debate upon the bond bill Monday, or at the latest Tuesday! Senators Dubois and Prichard had stated

hey would ask to be heard on the bond bill before a vote is taken, and it is probable also that Senator Allison may submit some remarks upon it. The opponents of the bond bill will try to prevent a vote being reached at all, and some of them will obstruct its to the fullest extent possible with

teans at their command.
Of the fourteen general appropriation bills only six have become laws, leaving eight till to be sent to the president, and none f these except the legislative and the river and harbor bills are entirely out of confer-once. There will, therefore, be numerous conference reports to be presented and, as these are always privileged, it will be seen, of course, that they can be used to displace the bond bill. Ordinarily the bond bill would not occasion prolonged debate, but it may be used to prevent the consideration of oth-

It is expected that during the week the bill to repeal the rebate of the tax on al-cohol used in the arts will be passed without opposition or the consumption of much The filled cheese bill is also lebated as opportunity offers. Senator Lidge ounts upon time to consider the immigra-ion bill. Senator Mitchell of Oregon hopes also to put up his resolution providing for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people, as does Senator

Hill the bill defining contempt of court.
The talk is general that the date of final adjournment will depend almost entirely ipon the length of time the president may eld the river and harber bill. Without having any direct authority for the supposi ion senators generally expect a veto of that measure, and count upon baving to remain long enough to attempt to pass it despite the executive disapproval. Senator Allison expressed the opinion today that in case of early action by the president, whether fa-vorable or adversely, that the senate would be prepared to adjourn by the first of next week. In that event, everything will be rushed aside this week for the appropria-

HOUSE CLEARING THE DECKS NOW.

Conference. Reports WAI Consume Much Time This Week. WASHINGTON, May 24.-The house is rapidly clearing the decks for final action. Conference reports are likely to coasum a large portion of the time of the house this week, as they did last. In the last lays of a section little inde gence 's given members and by the operation of the rules in matters

will of the leaders. The general clamor for unanimous consent legiclation, which becomes louder as the session draws to a close, promises to be entirely checked this session by the action of Mr. Kem, populist of Nebraska, if he persists in his threat. He demanded the "regular order" at every opportunity last week and threatens to continue to do so to the of a bill to grant an abandoned military res ervation to his state. If he carries out his program he will relieve Speaker Reed, whom ne is seeking to embarrass, of the immens resoure to which a speaker is always sub-

jected on such occasions. The Phillips labor commission bill and th Erdman arbitration bill, which were crowded out by conference reports last week, will be brought up this week if time permits. The bill to repeal the free alcohol clause of the present tariff law in the shape of a compromise proposition agreed on by the friends and foes of the measure will, however, be allowed the right of way before these two bills. There are also six election cases on the calendar. The Murray-Elliot ease from South Carolina and the Mitchell-Walsh case from New York, in both of which the majority reports favor the re-publican contestants, are the most urgent of these, and it is the intention of the lead-ers to dispose of all of them at this ression. Tomorrow ke District of Columbia day.

SHORT MANY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Late Disbursing Agent of the State Department Under Arrest. WASHINGTON, May 24,-Frank J. Kieckhoefer, late chief of the Bureau of Accounts and disbursing officer of the State department, was arrested today on warrants charg-

ng him with embezzlement as follows:

July 2, 1895, \$18,229; August 10, 1895, \$2,399. and October 22, same year, \$16,837. Kieck-was taken to police headquarters. where a conference was held be-tween the district attorney, inspec-tor Hollingsberger and Attorney Ferguson, representing the prismer, nature of the conference was no closed and subsequently Kleckhoefer was taken to the First preemet and locked up. The complaint on which the arrest was made was filed by Edward I. Reineck. The pris-oner said he was very much surprised at his arrest and was guilty of no wrong. The chortage in his accounts has been said to approximate \$137,000.

JUDGE LOCHREN'S NEW SERVICE,

WASHINGTON, May 24 .- Ex-Commissioner of Pensions William Lochren probably will open court as United States judge for the Minnesota district about June 1. Judge

Lochren relinquished his duties at the pension bureau last Wednesday, when he took the oath of office, and since then D. I Murphy, the first deputy commissioner, who has been nominated but not yet confirmed as Judge Loshren's successor, has been acting commissioner. Judge Lochren expects to leave Monday for Minneapolis, and the large accumulation of cases in the Eighth circuit

Hogaboom Emerges from His Hiding. HOT SPRINGS Ark., May 24 -Ed Hoga-coom, president of the City Savings Bank boom, president of the City Savings Bank and Trust company of Hot Springs, which recently failed, with liabilities of nearly \$175,000, and whose whereabouts have been a mystery, returned to this city yesterday. As soon as his presence breame known, he was besieged by a clamor-us crowd of creditors. Depositors in the bank, who had lost all their savings in the defunct instition, fairly swarmed around Hogaboom's residence. Excitement was very high, and the opinion was freely expressed that violence would be done Hogaboom, but this is hardly probable. Hogaboom has, since his absence from Hot Springs, been spending his time quietly in a village near Memphis.

DENVER, May 24.—Regarding the whole-sale destruction of mail matter at Cripple Creek, Postoffice Inspector McMeichen says that Postmaster Rose had authority to burn old papers which were uncalled for. He adds that the fallure to distribute mails properly in the Cripple Creek posteffice is due chiefly to the incompetency of the postmaster, and that he has frequently reported the facts to the department at Washington.

PROHIBS FIGURE ON SILVER

National Convention Likely to Be Disturbed by the Issue.

THREE FACTIONS TO BE REPRESENTED

Rentley of Vebraska Regarded as a Broad Gauge Sixteen to One Advocate by the Leaders of Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Pa., May 24.—Free silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 promises to be the main issue before the prohibitionists' national convention, which will convene here Wednestay. Leaders of both factions of the party are here and they say it will be the liveliest convention the third party people have ever held. Ex-Governor John P. St. John of Kansas will lead the free sliver wing of the party, while the opposition will be headed by Samuel Dickey of Albion, Mich., chairman of the national central committee and a strong gold standard man. Ex-Governor St. John says that two-thirds of appropriation bills and by other legitimate the prohibitionists of the country are for free silver, but that the rank and file are too poor to come to the convention. It would cost a Kansas farmer the price of 400 bushels of corn to get here, he says, and as their farms are all mortgaged they can-

not afford it Chairman Dickey says there will be three factions in the convention; one which de-sires a platform for probibition only; one desiring any sound decaration which can be adopted without serious opposition, and third which desires prohibition, free silver, woman suffrage, free trade. ment ownership of railway and telegraph lines, restricted immigration, anti-menopoly, united ownership of land, and "anything elec that anybody wants." This latter faction is said to have a majority of the delegates and is called the broad gauge wing The leading candidates for the nomina for president are Joshua Levering of Baltimore, who represents the narrow gauge wing; Charles E. Bentley of Nebraska, a free sliver or broad gauge man, and Rhode Island, presenting the conservative candidate, John Metcalf. Ex-Governor St. John says there will be about 900 delegates in attendance, while Mr. Dickey thinks ther are filling up, it is estimated by the leaders that the convention will be attended by from 10,000 to 15,000 prohibitionists.

SURE SOUND MONEY WILL WIN. Ex-Senator Platt Talks of the St

Louis Convention. NEW YORK, May 24.—Ex-Senator Platt gave out a statement tonight in part as fol-"The business men of the country may confidently rely upon their views being

expressed at St. Louis, both as to the main tenance of the gold standard and as to the nomination of a candidate who can appro printely stand on a gold platform. New York will present such a candidate, and the vote of this state will be cast almost unani "I observe Senator Miller in a recent in terview says I have no commission to speak for our delegates on that point. It is a small matter whether I have or not. The import-

and by the operation of the rules in matters and thing is the fact. He, for instance, have fight privilege, like conference reports, questions can be brought to a vote at the Morion's request, having attended the constilled the leaders. The general clamor for unanimous consent Morton in the field, having been the first recall his record in the matter and can at east express enough confidence in his character as a man to say that he will keep

"What is true of Mr. Miller in this re-spect is similarly true of the delegates. whether they are representing districts of the state at large."

ENDORSES GEDDES FOR AUDITOR Hall County Starts the Boom of the Grand Island Editor.

GRAND ISLAND, May 24:- (Special Tele The republican primaries of Grand Island and Hall county were held yesterday, and delegates to the county convention were se lected. In the Second ward, in which Hon. W. M. Geddes resides, the following resolu tions were unanimously and enthusiastically

adcred:

Whereas, Ex-Mayor W. M. Geddes, resident of this, the Second ward, of the city of Grand Island, is a candidate for the position of state auditor, and is a worthy citizen, fully qualified to discharge the duties of the office; therefore, be it. Resolved, That the republican voters of the Second ward assembled hereby heartily endorse his candidacy and present his name to the county and state conventions for their fullest consideration, recommending that they accord him the same courtesy that has heretofore been granted other honorable and worthy members of the party.

It is generally conceded that G. L. Rouse

It is generally conceded that G. L. Rouse and W. H. Harrison have a majority of the candidates for members of the house. Wash-ington township, in which the Soldiers' home is located, passed resolutions endorsing heir candidacy.

The candidacy of W. M. Geddes for state auditor was endorsed in every precinct of the city, and also in Washington township. in which the Soldiers' home is located.

DEBS DECLINES TO LEAD LABOR

Any Political Ambition. MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 24.-A special t he Commercial-Appeal from Birmingham Ala., says: Eugene V. Debs, prosident of the A. R. U., said tonight:

"I will state for the public print that will not serve in a public office. I have a fixed conception of a public office and do not care to hold one. Politics and labor are care to hold one. Politics and labor are two different institutions and I will not give up labor for politics. The two don't go well together and I believe I am of more use in labor. I will not go into politics and will not accept the nomination for president.

MAJOR WARNER'S CLEVER CARD

Refuses to Be a Candidate for Gov-ernor of Missouri. KANSAS CITY, May 24 .- Major William Varner, ex-commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, who has been a much talked-of gubernatorial candidate, has saued the following card to the public:

To the Republicans of Missouri: wer to numerous inquiries from friends in all parts of the state. I say to you frankly I am not and will not be a candidate for governor. I have no enemies to punish and more friends than I could deserve if I lived to be a cold as Mothwich to be as old as Methusiah. "WILLIAM WARNER."

Gold Democrats of Indianapolis. INDIANAPOLIS, May 24.-- A meeting of the prominent democrats in this city was held last night for the purpose of opposing the free silver wing of the party in the state All were rigorously opposed to free coin-age. A mass meeting of democrats of the county opposed to free allver was called for Thursday evening next. Delegates will be sent to the Chicago convention who will oppose any free silver candidate. Nine-tenths of the prominent democrats of Indianapolis

are for the gold standard. Judge Hayward's Candidacy. NEBRASKA CITY, May 24 .- (Special.)-

nounced himself as a caudidate for governor, has done much to vitalize the interest of republicans, and his nomination will receive

SINGLE COPY FIVE CENTS.

SERVICE OF MEMORIAL SUNDAY.

LINU S and Patriotic Songs.

LINU S May 24.—(Special Telegram.)—
Grand of the Republic memorial services w III ld this morning at 10:30 at St.

Mark's Train church, conducted by Veteri = isten to Appropriate Ser-W. H ley, D. D., pastor. The mem-bers of rague and Appointation posts as-

sembled at their rooms at 10:15 and marched in a body to the church, where a patriotic song service was held, including appropriate hymns and scriptural readings. "Tenting of the Old Camp Grounds" was given as a sol by Mr. Albers. This evening seats were reserved for the veterans at Trinity Method ist Episcopal church, where another patriotic service was rendered. On Decoration day

an innovation will be made by dispensing with any speeches at the cemetery. FREMONT, May 24 — (Special.)—The Sunday before Memorial day was observed by a union service of all the churches at Love's opera house this morning. Under the auspices of McPherson post, Grand Army of the Republic, the Grand Army post, Centennial lodge, Independent Order of Old Fellows, Uniform Rank Kuights of Pythias, Sons of Veterans, Daughters of Women's Relief corps, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Modern Woodmen and Fremont fire department attended. The and Fremont fire department attended. The house was filled to the doors and many were turned away. The decorations were numer-ous and tastefully arranged. The stage was draped with flags and banners of the different patriotic societies and at the front were arranged cut flowering plants. The service consisted of invocation by the paster of the Christian church, music by a double male quartet, reading of scripture by Rev. W. H. Buss, the offering, music by quartet, prayer by Rev. P. M. Sisson, sermon by Rev. N. Chestnut of the Presbyterian church, music by the quartet and benediction by Rev. C. W. Brinstead. There were eighty-four vetpresent.

WAYNE, Neb., May 24.—(Special Tele gram.)—More than 600 people assembled at the opera house today to attend the memorial services. The address was delivered by Rev. W. W. Theobald.

W. W. Theobald, CHADRON, Neb., May 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Union services by the various churches of this city were held at the Rink opera house in commemoration of Deceration day. The building was beautifully decorated and the singing by the large choir as well as the sermin by Rev. Mr. Ricker of the Congregational church was most beauti-

ful and impressive.

ULYSSES, Neb., May 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Hen. G. W. Lotd arese in his place in the Congregational church this merning at the close of services and in behalf of the comtades and congregation thanked the ladies and friends who had furnished portraits, flags and flowers and so elaborately decorated the building; the quartets for their special and excellent music; Mrs. Dobson and her class for their songs; our heroes and Pastor Diffenbacher for his patriotic and able address. His remarks were timely, the room was artistically adorned, the congre-gation large and all did their parts well. Chaplain Diffentacher is as noted for his enthusiasm and fluency of speech as for his loyalty to country and good. His rendering of the poem "Our Grand Army of Dead" was highly commended.

SCHULYER, Neb. May 24.—(Spec'al.)— Memorial selvices were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Methodist church. The sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Pattee of the Episcopal church, and the attendance was large, as the services were conducted at a time when there was nothing else to interfere. Members of the post attended in body, as did the ladies of the Woman's

Relief corps. CREIGHTON, Neb., May 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Old soldiers of this vicinity and the Women's Relief corps met at their hall this morning at 10 o'clock and marched to the Baptist church, where memorial services were held, Rev. S. P. Parker officiating. The church was most beautifully decorated with flowers, flage, pictures of Lincoln, Grant and Logan and a fountain of water in the right alcove. The sermon was the finest of the kind ever preacher in Creighton. TECUMSEH, Neb., May 24.—(Special Tele-

services at the Methodist church here this afternoon. Rev. P. C. Johnson of Table Rock delivered the sermon. Judge Thomas Appelget of thic city will deliver the eration here on Memorial day. SUPERIOR Neb., May 24.—(Special Telegram.)—This afternoon the Memorial day o

the Grand Army was most appropriately ob-served. The exercises were held in the Methodist Episcopal church, which was rowded to the utmost. The address delivered by ex-Department Commander C. E. Adams was listened to with great and marked at tention, and his words of patriotism inspired the hearts and feelings of all, and so much were they appreciated that strong resolutions of endorsement were passed by his comrades

HAVE FAILED TO LOCATE HERMAN.

Salt Lake Authorities Working the Church Murder Mystery. SALT LAKE CITY, May 24 .- No particularly interesting developments have come t light today in connection with the story of Rev. Francis Herman and the two missing girls, Henrietta Clausen and Annie Samuel son, referred to in the dispatch published last night. When the Samuelson girl left bere, or disappeared, in January last, it was given out on her own statement that shintended to visit her friend. Fritz Hiddeen in the employ of the Pullman car company at Chicago. It is said that a letter has been received in this city from Hiddeen saying he girl cannot be found in Chicago. The solice have found books, apparel and other bings in the pastor's room in the church which have been identified as belonging to be missing girls. The last that has been eard from Herman was a letter mailed as Kansas City on May 11, in which he said he was on his way to Decorah, Ia. Disatches from Decorah, Ia., Crookston, Minn. and Kansas City say that no trace of Her-man can be found. It is known here that he had church subscriptions made in Minneap olis which he was to collect personally. Th

olice department is making every effort to ocate the missing pastor. KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 24.—Rev. Francis Herman, whose name is connected with the disappearance of two Salt Lake girls and who is said to have started for Kansas City May 7, has, as far as can be learned, left no trace here. Careful inquiry at police headquarters and in church circles, which he would have most likely been ident fied, reveal nothing that would indicate that he has been here, or at least, made any ex-tended stay in the city.

STREET CAR WRECKED AT DENVER Many Passengers Hurt and Three Will Probably Die.

ivenue line of the Tramway company got out of the control of the motorman about midnight, jumped the track at a curve when going down hill at high speed and turned over. There were seventy-four passengers on the car, a dozen of whom were injured. he most seriously injured are: Mrs. Sarah Hanson, aged 48, internal in

uries; bruked and cut; may die. Mrs. Jers's Connett, aged 25, concussion of the brain: probably internal injuries wound and cut over the head.

ALTON, Itl., May 21.—The Lovejoy Monu-nent association held a meeting here last ment association field a meeting here asso-evening and formally signed the contract with the Culver Stone company of Spring-field for the erection of the monument to the sreat abolitionist and martyr of free speech, for which the last legislature ap-propriated \$25.000. The site is the lot in the city cerrefery at aside for that purpose years ago. The monument overlooks the Missis-sippi.

British Stenmer Stranded CAPE HENRY, Va., May 24.—The Brit-ish steamer Gleniron, bound from Fernandina to Rotterdam with phosphate rock stranded on the Outer Diamond (Hatterns) shoals at 8 o'clock last night. The crew was taken off this morning by the life savers and the yessel abandoned in bad condition. She will be a total loss.

HE CALMLY KILLS HIS WIFE

Henry Walker of Custer County Deliberately Shoots His Spouse.

BLOODY END OF A YEAR OF QUARRELING

Husband Decides that His Family Troubles Can Be Settled in No Other Way Than by His Wife's Death.

BROKEN BOW, Neb., May 24.—(Special Pelegram.)-Henry Walker of Powell canyon, twenty-five miles west of Broken Bow, shot his wife yesterday with probable fatal re-

It appears from the best information that an be gained tonight that Walker and his wife have fived unhappily for several years, and he decided to terminate their troubles by killing her. He went to Callaway Friday and borrowed a revolver, and on the following day at noon proceeded to execute his remeditated plana. He shot at her three lines. One ball entered the left side, where it ledged. Another one entered the forehead, the third missing her. The doctors had been unable to locate either of the balls at noon today. Mrs. Walker is still conscious, but there is but little hope of her recovery. Walker's excuse for shooting his wife is

hat he thought she had tried to poison him, and that he would have to kill her as a matter of self-protection. He is about 32 years old and has three children, the oldas years old and has three children, the old-est 9 years and the youngest 2 years old. He is a man of inferior ability and apparently destitute of moral principle. He was ar-rested and brought to this city this evening and lodged in fall, and will be held on the charge of murder. He has been a resident of the county for about nine years. Mrs. Walker left him some two years, are for the Walker left him some two years ago for mistreatment, but evan went back to him. From his own story he is high tempered and of a victous disposition, and it was while in one of his pets that he committed the deed he now claims to be sorry for,

STABBED AT A COUNTRY DANCE. Alwine Gingery of Humboldt Danger-

ously Wounded. HUMBOLDT, Neb., May 24.—(Special Telegram.)-On Saturday evening while attending a country dance five miles southwest of this place Alwine Gingery was stabbed eight times by Clyde Johnson. He was brought to this city. Two stabs penetrated the imags, and, although dangerous wounds, it is thought they will not prove fatal. Both are young men, Gingery being of a quiet disposition and coming from a good family, Johnson has not yet been arrested,

FOUR KILLED BY AN EXPLOSION.

Maim Family of Chicago Almost Exterminated in Their Rome. CHICAGO, May 24.—By the explosion of a gasoline stove on Townsend street today a family of six persons was almost exterminated. Four are dead and a fifth is so badly burned that death is almost certain. The

names of the dead are; OTTO MALM, a carpenter, 32 years old. SIMA MALM, 8 years old. HILDA MALM, 6 years old. OTTO MALM, JR., 3 years old.

The injured: Mrs. Ella Malm, 33 years old; burned about

he hands, arm and face; will recover Ellen Malm, 8 years old; severely burned about the head and body; will probably die. Mrs. Malm, the wife and mother, had a isen to prepare breakfast and her husband and children were still asleep in bed. She lighted a gasoline stove, when the reservoir, oil exploded throwing the burning fluid about the rooms. Before the sleeping members of the family could be taken out or even warned they were shut in by flames and burned almost

a crisp.
When the explosion occurred Mrs. Malm rushed frantically from the dwelling and screamed for help. She then returned to the house, soon reappearing with her 3-year-old child in her arms. Pieces of burning clothing still adhered to the

The screams of the mether had by this time brought the neighbors to the scene. The fire department was summoned and the firemen rushed into the rooms and removed the inmates while water was thrown upon the flames. The mother's burns were at-tended to by the doctors, and it was found they were comparatively slight. She was removed to the home of friends.

REFUSED TO EAT PRISON FOOD. Prominent Chicago Man Jailed at

Denver Grows Quite Indignant. DENVER, May 24 -Orcar E. Miller, presilent of the Hernia Treatment company of Chicago, was brought here under arrest, charged with conspiracy to defraud the depositors and stockholders of the Commercial National bank of Denver, which failed two holder, has been unable to obtain bail and passed last night in the county jail and must at least spend another there. Miller was very indignant when he found that he would receive no more consideration than any other prisoner. He said he could give bond for a million in Chicago, but the United States district attorney refused to accept bonds-men from oviside this district. Miller expects to secure his release tomorrow, and in prison food and promises to make trouble for the authorities on account of his incar-ceration. Miller, who formerly lived here, was a prominent churchman and spent money liberally in church and charitable work. He is bitter in denunciation of what he terms the ingratitude of Denver people.

CLOUD BURST IN CENTRAL IOWA. Much Property Destroyed and Many

Lives Threatened. MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., May 24 .- A cloudburst today between La Moille and State Center caused Linn creek, which flows through this city, to rise in one hour from a mere rivulet to a river a half mile wide. The Chicago & Northwestern tracks and roadbed and two bridges near La Moille were seriously damaged, the flood destroy-ing crops and drowning considerable live stock. A heavy fall of hall accompanied the DENVER, May \$4 .- A car on the Agate rain. The railroad yards in this city are submerged and dwellings on the lowlands flooded to a depth of three feet. Some of the residents were rescued in boats, having narrow escapes. Railroad traffic cannot be resumed for a day or two. Iowa river is also on the biggest rampage for fifteen

ENROUTE TO CENTRAL AFRICA. William Stamps Cherry Organizing a New Expedition.

CHICAGO, May 24 .- William Stamps Cherry, who spent three years in central equatorial Africa, left last night for New York on another expedition into that country. On this trip Cherry will take up scientific work that will be of interest to the general pubiic. Mr. Cherry expects to call from New York Saturday, May 30, for London and thence to the western coast of Africa, where the expedition will be organized for the pur-

Accident at a Glass Factory. HARTFORD CITY, Ind., May 24.-An ex losion occurred today at the glass factory through a defective blast in the big tank, Several persons were badly burned. De-aire Moll inhaled steam and is dying. Wil-liam Sulten. Emil Witthert and J. Moore-were all more or less burned.