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Speaker Eends Indian Bill Back to House Committee.

Several Members of Committee Hostile to Project.

GREAT HUSTLE ALL AROUND NECESSARY

Thurston, Allen and Mercer Propose to Fight it Out.

Friends of that Measure Find Themselves Very Neatly Circumvented by the Big Man from Maine.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 .- (Special Telestead of to conference, as was supposed Mr. Walton further said, never intended that in the senate. It was given out by those where, on the inside that just as soon as the Indian Mr. Walton's effort at extenuation was apbill was reported to the house and amend- plauded by the spectators. ments cited there would be a motion on the

It is unfortunate for the Indian congress amendment that such a course should have been taken, forcing, as it does, the whole subject of an appropriation for a congress of the Indian tribes before the Indian committee, a number of members of which are known to be hostile to the measure. The committee will have a meeting on the bill Thursday morning, and it is the intention of Senators Allen and Thurston and Congressman Mercer to be present and if possible secure a favorable report on the amendment. The committee consists of eeventeen members es follows: James S. Sherman, chairman, New York; Charles Curtis, Kansas; Israel F. Fischer, New York; Frank M. Eddy, Minnesota; Alexander Stewart, Wisconsin; John F. Lacey, Iowa; Horace G. Snover, Michigan; Charles B, Landis, Indiana; Samuel J. Barrows, Massachusetts; Horace B. Packer, Pennsylvania; Charles E. Pearce, Missouri; John S. Little, Arkansas; William A. Jones, Virginia; Elijah B. Lewis, T. Zenor, Indiana; Marenas E. Benton, Missouri. Laiely Chairman Sherman has been talking against making any more appropriations for the Omaha Exposition and has been outspoken in criticism of the proposed congress, but the friends of the measure hope to reach the chairman in time to report the amendment favorably. Congressman Lacey of Iowa is against the till, which is exciting more comment than the opposition of any other member of the committee.

FORT CROOK BOULEVARD. Either the commissioners of Douglas and Sarpy counties and the South Side Improvement club have been working on the boulevard between Fort Crook and Omaha, in a most mysterious manner, or else Captain Sam R. Jones, assistant quartermaster, Department of the Platte, is just waking up quartermaster general of the army in rela- the outrages complained of by Bulgaria. on the same. He asks Mr. Mercer who the promoters of the boulevard are and as he tion." has consulted with several parties in Omaha know anything about the contemplated work, tion so that he way reply to the quarter-

cars to haul the salt water acquarlum. Representative Schneider of the Fish commission has returned from Omaha, where he went to locate the fish exhibit, and says he was greatly impressed with what he saw of the a sensation among the Turkish ministers work being done. Lieutenant Commander Logan will assume charge of the naval exhibit March 1, succeeding Lieutenant Commander Patch, who will be transferred to

ROADS ON RESERVATIONS.

Senator Allen introduced a bill today for in severalty and actually used for agriculof Hiram Palmer, which passed the senate by the committee on invalid pensions.

at Climax, Montgomery county, Ia.

in the case of the Davis Foote Lode, involving | 1897. a mineral entry in the Rapid City (S. D.) land district. Frederick V. Ainsworth of Iowa was today

appointed assistant inspector for the bureau of animal industry at \$1,200 a year.

Outlaw Takes Refuge in a Mine. TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Feb. 15.-John Carrington, the desperado who murdered two men near this city, is hiding in a descrited coal shaft. Today a sheriff's possee Malta on February 11 for China, and which were extricated, being more or less injured. entered the mine, but were compelled to retreat, as the outlaw fired several shots at

Pennt Servitude.

LONDON, Feb. 15 .- In the central criminal court today Lord William Neville, fourth son of the marquis of Abergavenny, was PUTS INDIAN CONGRESS IN JEOPARDY Clay to recover £11,123 due on promissory guilty of forgery. He was sentenced to five years penal servitude. No celebrated case has ever before brought such a fashionable rowd to the Old Bailey. Broughams blocked the approaches and women in their smartest freeks overflowed the jury box and barrisrte's scats. Lady Neville was present. The prisoner was evidently ill at ease, but he answered to the indictment in clear tones. After the flutter caused by his pleading guilty of fraud had subsided the prisoner was allowed to take a seat in the dock, as DUE TO THE FREE HOMESTEAD RIDER he is recovering from a serious illness. Prosecutor Matthews narrated the circumstances of the fraud, as already known, and at the conclusion of his remarks he intimated that he would accept the prisoner's plea as satisfying the requirements of justice. Mr. Lawson Walter pointed out that Lord Neville had voluntarily come forward to face the consequence of his deception and had fully confessed. The prisoner's counsel added he

would be the course adopted. This new move Lieutenant Clay should suffer. He believed on the part of Speaker Reed was due to the the securities would remain in the hands of

Prosecutor Matthews again arose and adpart of those favoring the free homes amend- verting to the statement regarding Lord ment to concur in all amendments to the Neville's illness, which had been ascribed house. But Mr. Reed had a rule up his prevented the prisoner from making an arsleeve which permitted him to send the bill rangement with Mr. Lewis in regard to the back to the committee and the free homes notes and thus obviating the present proseadvocates are now kicking themselves that cution, said that Lord Neville's other leans they were not more discreet in getting a from Mr. Lewis amounted to £70,000 when

the notes were signed. Here Mr. Walton interposed, remarking:

'I believe the £70,000 has been paid." Judge Lawrence summed up sternly, but with a voice which shook and at times almost broke with emotion. The judge said: "In my opinion, the crime is as great as higher his responsibilities.

"I am sorry to say I have looked in vain a case of fraud as it is possible to conceive of. You have brought shame and dishonor upon an ancient and noble family and sorrow and suffering upon your nearest and dearest. Georgia; John H. Stephens, Texas; William Your crime is great and your sentence must be severe. It is that you be kept in penal servitude for five years."

The prisoner was hurrled off to Newgate where he was allowed an interview with his wife and another woman. After th interviews Lord Neville was removed to Wormwood Scrubbs prison. The prisoner's face did not evince much surprise at the severity of his sentence; but his unsteady gait on leaving the prisoner's dock showed that he had been hard hit. The centence caused a great sensation among those present in court, and many of the women broke into aobs.

SEND EDHEM PASHA TO FRONTIER. Hope to Intimidate

Bulgarians. CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. from a Van Winkle sleep. Captain Jones, in Pasha has been ordered from Thessaly to a letter to Congressman Mercer, states that Uskub, 100 miles from Salonica, in European he has received a communication from the Turkey, in order to "institute inquiries into tion to a macadamized road from the gar- It is added that at the same time it is hoped rison to Omaha, but is not able to report that "the presence of the victorious commander will intimidate the excited popula-

The Bulgarian agent at Constantinople, as about the matter and as no one seems to cabled the Associated Press on February 2. presented a note to the Turkish govern he is constrained to ask Mercer for informa- ment pointing out the seriousness of the recent occurrences in the vilayet of Uskub where Bulgarians have been arrested by the Secretary Cox of the government board Turkish authorities on the charge of storing said today that every department was arms. The agent further alleged that many actively at work assembling their exhibits of the prisoners had been tortured to death for the Omaha exposition and that every and that women and girls were dying from member was enthusiastic in predicting the the outrages inflicted upon them. Therefore, finest exhibition ever made by the govern- the agent of Bulgaria urgently demanded ment. It will take fifty cars to transport an immediate cessation of the oppression, the government exhibit, exclusive of tank the withdrawal of the military forces sur rounding the locality, the transfer of all prisoners to Uskub for trial and the dismissal of a number of officials.

The presentation of this note caused quite and at the palace.

REGULATING IMPORTS OF FRUIT

Henry Penalty for Evading Their

BERLIN, Feb. 15 .- The Reichanzeiger is the establishment of ordinary wagon roads about to publish the instructions for carryand animal trails across Indian reserva- ing out the decree regulating the imports of tions at the option of the secretary of the American fruit. The Bremen Senate has alinterior, provision being made, however, that ready published instructions going into effect trails shall not be laid across any land taken yesterday and other ports and revenue stations will follow suit. Contraventions of the tural purposes. Mercer's bill for the relief restrictions are punishable by confiscation of the goods and a fine of 1,000 marks. Insome time ago, was favorably reported today fractions of the police regulations are punishable by a fine of 60 marks. Consul Pettit J. Imel was today appointed postmaster has notified the United States embassy of far-reaching. Agents of the local mills do delay in the admission of fruit waste, used The secretary of the interior today ap- in the Rhineland for jellies. Admission proved the decision of the land commissioner | marks of this fruit show it was imported in

Pronounce Hoffman a Wonder.

BERLIN, Feb. 15 .- Josef Hoffmann sailed today on the steemship Trave from Bremen for America. His farewell appearance was has started up. The company's ordnance The Indian commissioner today appointed in Hamburg as soloist with the Philhar-Chester M. Krotsenburg of Iowa teacher at monic society and his success was extraorthe Crow Agency (Mont.) Indian school at dinary. The severest of Hamburg's critics speaks of his performance as follows: "Hoff-The nomination of I. M. Treynor to be mann has, at the age of 20, reached a forepostmaster at Council Bluffs has not yet most place among contemporary planists, as been made because of charges made against demonstrated by his performance last evenhim. Representative Hager has advised ing. He is not only a good phinist-he is a Treynor of the charges and it is understood poet. Not since we heard Rubinstein have the former postmaster will arrive here we heard Chopin played as young Hoffmann plays it. No wonder, then, that the wildest

Victorious Hard Aground.

ish battleship Victorious, which sailed from wagon, a 15-year-old boy and two horses went ashore outside the bar while entering insed the man and it is now the intention and probably its guns before it can be by the falling brick the work was aban-

TOM REED'S DICTUM SCION OF BEILLS ARRESTED SHEET OF BEILLS ARRESTED

of United States. Copyright, 1818, by Press Publishing Company. blegram-Special Telegram.)-The minister placed on trial, charged with fraud in con- of foreign affairs will draw up immediately nection with the suit of "Sam" Lewis, the a note in reply to the one presented yestermoney lender, against Lieutenant Spencer day by Minister Woodford. It is understood that the Spanish note will express surprise notes cashed by Lord Neville, and pleaded at the American government having exguilty of fraud, but asserted he was not pected explanations concerning a private let ter of its late representative, considering that the government cannot be responsible for the unauthorized and unwarranted assertion by De Lome implying a lack of sincerity of Cuban home rule. The Spanish note will contain a strong censure of Dupuy de Lome's remarks on the president and will fully recognize the sincerity of the friendly past conduct of President McKinley toward Spain, The official Gazette in recording the resignation, signifies the displeasure Edgemont, which closed its doors imand censure of the government as it does not include the customary statement that the government is satisfied with the zeal and services of the resigning diplomatic ap-

The fact that Senor Polo de Bernabe was selected on account of his knowledge and taken before Justice Dudley for hearing. experience in commercial questions and the They obtained a continuance until March 1 English language is a fresh demonstration and were placed under \$1,000 bonds each. of the sincerity of Spain. Ministerialists are | The complaint charges the larceny of \$2,000 very bitter against De Lome because they in notes. Only about \$600 was found in the feel the concessions secured by American bank when Receiver Stewart took possersion. gram.)—An unexpected turn has sent the was in great financial difficulties and had diplomacy in this affair will rankle deep in Indian appropriation bill back to the full not realized that he was committing a the susceptibilities of the Spanish people and committee on Indian affairs of the house in- breach of the criminal law. The prisoner, increase the difficulties of the situation, especially in the peninsula. In political and financial circles all day

there has been considerable agitation. Comfree homestead rider tacked to the measure Mr. Sam Lewis until he secured money else-Lome incident, the liberal papers express the opinion that the cabinet could not honorably refuse the disclaimer desired by America, and believe De Lome will be called to account for his conduct. The remainder of the press echo the general feeling of rebill and thus force a direct vote in the to over-indulgence in morphia, and which lief at the fact that friendly relations have not been further disturbed, as it is generally supposed America will accept satisfaction in the note that will be delivered tomorrow. In political circles the following plausible

explanation of the conduct of De Lome is given. It is alleged he wrote so frankly to Canalejas, first, because he was at heart a staunch conservative and an old follower and protege of Canovas. He had long associated his and Weyler's ideas of policy, and therefore was a lukewarm admirer of home rule, though he had consented to serve under a though he had abstracted the sum from liberal government. Secondly, because he Lieutenant Clay's pocket or had broken into knew Canalejas himself to be so little parti-Mr. Lewis' office and had stolen it. If it san of home rule that he had seceded from had been some wretched clerk with a wife the liberal party and had proclaimed himself and seven children, who had incurred a and his paper, El Heraldo, as completely heavy loss and had fielped himself at his independent of party ties, so much so that master's till, I am afraid there would have El Heraldo had been steadily combating been no one to speak in extenuation; but the new regime for months. Thirdly, bethe higher position the person holds, the cause he knew Canalejas went to Cuba especially to examine all the aspects of the eltuation with a view to say the whole truth for extenuating circumstances. It is as bad to the queen, Sagasta and even the Cortes on his return. Fourthly, because he knew Canaleias was perfectly acquainted with what was passing behind the scenes in Spain, Cuba and the United States to hasten pacification by negotiations carried on with reserve and secrecy to induce even most of the leaders of the insurrection to submit to decorous and fair terms if they recognized

> ARTHUR E. HOUGHTON. OPPOSED TO A GENERAL STRIKE.

> ieneral Walkout of Mill Operatives is Not Probable. BOSTON, Feb. 15.-The proposition of the American Federation of Labor to order a general strike in the textile mills of New England seems to meet with a decidedly cool reception in the manufacturing centers where at present there is no trouble. The operatives do not see what they are to gain by it, they say, as they have pledged their financial help to carry on the struggle in New Bedford. In several cities last night the operatives of cotton mills met to discust the general strike proposition. Only in New Bedford was any sympathy shown for it.

> NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Feb. 15 .- The proposition has been under consideration by the local labor leaders for several days to call out on a strike the employes of all the yern mills in the city, which would bring into idleness 60,000 additional operatives, or a total of 150,000. This proposition is independent of that for a general strike all through New England and the effect of the movement, it is ceserted, will be such a serlous menece to local banks that it would result in overtures for a settlement of al the present difficulties by the manufacturers whose interests are allied with those of the city's financial institutions. It is argued that if the operatives lose the present strike through the weavers' inability to hold out, the spinners in the yarn mills would be cut in wages, and the proposition under con-

sideration is intended to prevent that, FALL RIVER, Mass., Feb. 15 .- From pres ent indications the recommendation of the onference committee, which met at Boston Sunday, advocating a general strike in the cotton mills of New England, will fall flat in this city. President Kinsella of the Weavers' union says: "There will be no strike keep away and allow us to manage our own

affairs." At the meeting of the ring spinners' union last night the recommendation of the con ference was entirely ignored, while at the meeting of the union of drawing-in girls, wrappers and spotters, it was deemed inadvisable to consider the recommendation, and that all efforts should be concentrated upon the strike at New Bedford for the present. At the latter meeting it was voted to communicate with the two local senators with a view of having the weavers' fines bill amended, as it is not considered sufficiently not take the recommendation of the conference seriously, and some of them state they would welcome a general shutdown, as it would curtail production and relieve an

overstocked market. BETHLEHEM, Pa., Feb. 15.-After an dieness of three months the Bethlehem steel mill, giving employment to 1.000 men, plant is shipping armor plate daily, fast filling the government contract on hand.

WALLS OF BURNED BUILDING FALL. Two Persons Are Injured, but Not Seriously.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 15 .- Terror was spread today by a report that a section of the rules left by the Pike street fire disaster of last Wednesday night had fallen and buried about ten persons, mostly boys, Soon afterward at least fifty volunteers

from the assembling crowd went to work FORT SAID, Feb. 15 .- The first-class Brit- had buried. A colored driver of a coal After the men had worked about two hours,

MADRID, Feb. 15 .- (New York World Ca- Cathier Salisbury and Assistant Held Under Pail at Hot Springs.

CHARGED WITH REMOVING BANK'S ASSETS

Receiver for the First Bank of Edgemont Takes Steps to Secure Return of the Securities Taken Away.

HOT SPRINGS, S. D., Feb. 15 .- (Special Telegram.)-W. W. Stewart, cashier of the Merchants' bank of this city, has been appointed receiver of the First Bank of mediately after the collapse of F. C. Grable's affairs. Cashier E. C. Salisbury and Assistant Cashier A. B. Clifton of the Edgement bank were arrested for grand larceny and brought here this morning and

Though not officially connected with the bank at present, Francis C. Grable helped o organize it and was for several years its mainstay. His only connection with it of late has been that of depositor.

Before the doors closed the Edgement bank had \$3,000 in deposits, and of this amount \$1,000 was deposited to the credit of Francis C. Grable. The remaining \$2,000 is said to have belonged to the people of Edgemont and the immediate vicinity. Among the assets of the bank there was also commercial paper of various kinds to the Missourian proud when he goes to the amount of about \$10,000. It is alleged that it was the attempt of the cashier and assistant cashier of the bank to convert this paper into ready cash that caused the receiver to close the doors.

GRABLE SIDE OF THE STORY.

Representatives of the Grable interests n this city express the utmost confidence that the matter will be satisfactorily settled within a few days; that it can be proved that the effort to dispose of the paper of the bruk for cash was with the full knowledge and consent of the stockholders and of the depositors of the bank, and was made for the purpose of dividing the funds obtained among the depositors and closing up

the affairs of the bank. While the complaint filed at Hot Springs charges the officers of the bank with the larceny of \$2,000 in notes it is said by those familiar with the affairs of the bank that notes aggregating \$10,000 in value have been taken from the bank to be converted into eash. So far as is known this transaction, which was planned, has not been carried into execution, and according to those best posted on the Grable interests the notes will at once be returned to the bank at Edgemont. The transaction of turning the back's paper into cash was to have taken place through an Omaha bank.

The stockholders in the First Bank of Edgement are mostly eastern parties, and they had approved the plan for winding up the bank's affairs, the start of which has resulted in the arrest of the cashier and his assistant. In addition to the assets of the bank previously named, the bank owns the building in which it transacts its business at Edgement, and against this there is sald to be but a small mortgage. The appointment of the receiver was made before the Grable interests in this city were apprised that an application for a receiver had been made. No one will go from here to Edgemont at present to represent the Grable interests in the matter. Attorneys who are ooking after the case profess entire confidence in clearing the men arrested of the

charge of grand larceny, The Chemical National bank of New York ity has sued Francis C. Grable and M. L. Parrotte to an action to recover the sun of \$12,000, alleged to be due on a draft, due and payable twenty days after sight. The draft is dated January 10, 1897, signed by depot by a committee of the Commercial Grable and accepted by Parrotte. It is club, headed by President Thomas L. Jefmade payable to William J. Quinlan, ferson, and escorted to the Louisville hotel

HOPE FOR SAFETY OF THE NEVADA. Wreckage is Reported Which

longed to the Steamer. SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 15.-No further news has been received concerning the reported loss of the Clara Nevada in Alaskan waters. Owing to the many conflicting rumors, hopes for its safety have not yet been abandoned. On account of the remoteness of the scene of the reputed disaster i is impossible to get anything authentic Unless some unexpected steamer arrives, no definite news is expected before next Thurs-

The latest report received was the one brought down by the steamer Excelsion, which arrived today. Captain Donnelson here as long as the professional agitators said that just before he left Juneau the steamer Coleman arrived and reported that wreckage and bedding marked "Hassler" ad been washed ashore at Seward. He said: The Clara Nevada was formerly known as the 'Hassler,' and I have no doubt that it is at the bottom of the sea, at least such of t and its effects as were not burned, for the Seward citizens report having seen a blazing vessel on the water."

The Excelsior arrived at Juneau five hours after the steamer Rosalis, which reported passing the Clara Nevada.

WYOMING LEAVES FREE COINAGE. St. Louis Platform.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Feb. 15.-(Special relegram .- The republican state central ommittee for Wyoming held a meeting here aging offers of assistance have been made oday to decide upon the position the party should take on the financial question in this year's campaign, which will be for state officers, judiciary and state legislature, the latter electing a United States senator. It was decided that so far as the committee can control its action the party will, in its next state convention, abandon the advocacy of free coinage of silver and adopt without qualification the St. Louis platform. This is believed to be the wish of an overwhelming majority of the voters of the party in

Four Thousand Witness a Hanging. SENATOBIA. Miss., Feb. 15.-In presence of 4,000 spectators at noon today with a will to discover what the falling mass | George Washington Edwards, colored, was hanged here for the murder of Roxie Williams. The crime, a peculiarly atrocious one, was committed in July, 1896. The killing was done with a shotgun in a room oct, as the outlaw fired several shots at this port, will have to discharge its coal that no other unfortunates had been caught was completely torn away by the load of cupied by the Williams woman, whose head lead. The tragedy took place on the Wash-burn place, in this county,

THE BEE BULLETIN.

Weather Forecast for Nebraska-

- 1. Indian Congress Bill in Jeopardy.
- Further Insight Into Grable's Affairs Battleship Maine is Blown to Pieces. 2. Outline of Government Exhibit,
- 3. Telegraph Cases on Trial. Holcomb Reviews the Cadets. Gulf Road Restores Sugar Rate,
- 4. Editorial and Comment. 5. Senate Talks About Railroads.
- Cuban Tobacco Being Supplanted, Sons of Veterans in Session, 6. Council Bluffs Local Matters,
- Woman Suffrage Bill is Defeated. Progress of the Zola Trial.
- 7. General News of the Farther West, Silverites Issue an Appeal, 8. Bishop of Kentucky Lectures
- Proceedings of the City Council. 9. Reviews of Recent Publications, Progress of the Bartley Case. Testimony in the Kastner Trial. Trouble Ahead for the School Board.
- 11. Commercial and Financial News. 12. Curious Tests of Memory. Weird Tales of the Rail.

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MISSOURI IS MUCH IN EVIDENCE.

Imperial State Hustling Hard for as Exposition Exhibit.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 15,-(Special Telegram.)-Missouri will have a building at the Omaha exposition that will be a credit to the state and an exhibit of varied and valuable products that will make every great show.

The first formal meeting of the commis sioners from Missouri was held at the Commercial club rooms today and nearly all of the members were present. The canvass of the representatives for pledges showed over \$26,000 that was practically pledged, with nearly as much more certain. With this figure for the basis, the commissioners will at once go to work preparing plans for the building and selecting the site for it and determining the area of space the various classes of exhibits will demand.

The committee appointed to go to Omaha and select the site and determine the space needed will spend Thursday there and will get the best there is obtainable for the state. It was instructed to secure enough space, as it would be far better to have some to spare rather than have too little. The commissioners believe it will require at least \$50,000 to make the sort of a showing the standing of the state requires. They believe they will be able to raise that sum. The ecunty courts of some of the countles have hesitated to use any funds for that purpose but others have set the pace and it is believed that nearly every county in the state will follow the example.

The committee that will go to Omaha to select the site is as follows: Manufacturers -W. W. Morgan. Live Stock-F. B. Hearn J. W. Davis, N. H. Gentry and E. T. Ab-Stuckey.

The executive committee was empowered to go ahead with its work and do the best it could with the money. Chairman Samson announced that he would begin collecting money at once and as fast as funds were secured the work would be pushed along Woman's work was placed in the hands of Mrs. Laura E. Scammon, Mrs. Henry N. Ess and Mrs. W. E. Flechel. The commis sioners will go to St. Joseph tomorrow and hold a meeting there in the afternoon.

BLUE GRASS STATE IS COMING.

Kentucky Colonels Propose the Band Wagon. LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 15 .- (Special Tele gram.)-The Nebraska business men's dele gation reached this city this evening from Viacennes, Ind. They were received at th where lunch was served, the preliminer speech of welcome being made by Colone R. W. Knott, editor of the Evening Post After dinner the guests and their hospitable entertainers adjourned to the parlors of the hotel, where President Jefferson on behalf of Louisville's representative business or ganization, bade the transmississippl visitor a hearty welcome to Kentucky. Marmaduke Bowden delivered a short talk, pledging the united effort of Kentucky to contribute to the success of the business interests that bind so closely the destinies of the grea northwest and its sister states south of the Ohio. Responses were made by E. W. Peter on, E. J. Cornish and Rev. S. Wright Butle of Omaha. The visit to Louisville was neces carily brief, but its people are unanimou in their endorsement of the exposition, and concerted effort will be made to send the state exhibit which attracted so much atention at the Tennessee Centennial to grace the Omaha show.

The delegation was entertained at Vin connes, Ind., this morning, where a short stop was made. Mayor George E. Green and a committee of the city council met the visitors at the depot. An informal reception was held in the council chamber, where several addresses were made, pledges of hearty co-operation in the exposition being given by the people of one of the chief cities of southern Indiana. Thus far the progress of the excursion has been exceed ingly gratifying. Upon every hand ther has been shown a keen anxiety to ascertain the purport and extent of the exposition while without exception the most encour The party left for Cincinnati tonight.

Republicans Win a Victory election here today resulted in victory for the republicans, notwithstandthe municipal league, or reform ticket. The latter ticket, according to returns at midnight, has elected but one councilman, that of Hershberger in the Thirty-sixth ward. George H. Stengel, the present league councilman from the Twentieth ward, on whom the principal fight was made, has been de-

Movements of Ocean Vessels, Feb. 15 Liverpool. At New York-Sailed-Bovie, for Liverpool

Arrived-Berlin, from Antwerp At Legnorn-Arrived-Alsatla, from Ant At Marseilles-Sailed-Massalla,

York.

At Gibraltar-Arrived-Aller, York, from Naples; Kuiser Wilhelm II, from New York, for Nuplea-

BATTLESHIP MAINE BLOWN TO PIECES

Uncle Sam's Floating Arsenal Completely Wrecked in Havana Harbor.

ONE HUNDRED MEN KILLED AND MANY OTHERS WOUNDED

Pride of the Navy Torn Asunder by an Explosion, the Cause of Which is in Doubt-Captain Sigsbee is Wounded and Reports the Accident to Board Their War Ship and Care for Them. shington Officials-Spaniards Take the Injured Men

15 .- At a quarter of 10 o'clock this evening a terribre explosion took place of Duited States cruiser, Maine, in Havana barbor. Many were killed or wounde All the boats of the Spanish cruiser Alsonso XII are assisting. As yet the cause of the plosion is not apparent. The wounded sailors of the Maine are unable to explain it. It is believed the cruiser is totally destroyed.

The explosion shock the whole city. The windows were broken in all the houses, The correspondent of the Associated Press says he has conversed with several of the wounded sailors, and understands from them that the explosion took place while they were asleep, so they can give no particulars as to the cause.

The wildest consternation prevails in Havana. The wharves are crowded with thousatids of people. It is believed the explosion occurred in a small powder magazine. At a quarter of 11 o'clock what remains of the Maine is still burning.

Captain Sigsbee and the other officers have been saved. It is estimated that over 100 of the craw were killed, but it is impossible as yet to give exact details,

Admiral Manterela has ordered that beats of all kinds should go to the assistance of the Maine and its wounded. The Havana firemen are giving ald, tending carefully to the wounded as they are brought on shore. It is a terrible sight. General Solano and the other generals have been ordered by Captain General Blanco

to take steps to help the Maine's crew in every way possible. The correspondent of the Associated Prezs has been near the Maine in one of the boats of the cruiser Alfonso XII and seen others of the wounded who corroborate the statement of those first interviewed and state that they were already asleep when the explosion occurred.

Captain Sigsbee says the explosion occurred in the bow of the vessel. He received a wound in the head. Orders were given to the other officers to save themselves as best

The latter, who were literally thrown from their bunks in their night clothing, gave the necessary orders with great self-possession and bravery. At 11 o'clock the Maine continues burning. The first theory was that there had been a preliminary explosion in the Santa Barbarra (magazine) of powder or dynamite below the water.

Admired Manterola believes that the first explosion was that of a grenade that was

hurled over the mavy yard. SIGSBEE IS HEARD FROM.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.-The secretary of the navy received the following telegram "Make blown up in Havana harbor at 9:40 and destroyed. Many wounded and subtless more killed and drowned. Wounded and others on board Spanish man-of-war

and Ward line steamer. Send lighthouse tender from Key West for crew and few pieces of equipment still above water. No one had any other clothes than those upon him. "Public opinion should be suspended till further report. All officers believed to be saved. Jenkins and Merritt not yet accounted for. Many Spanish officers, including

representatives of General Blanco, now with me and express sympathy. SIGSBEE." The officers referred to in the above dispatch are Lieutenant Friend W. Jenkins and Assistant Engineer Darwin R. Metritt.

From the wording of the dispatch the pavy thinks it is possible the officers were on shore at the time of the accident. The secretary of the navy received another dispatch from Key West at the same

ime with the above, but its contents were not made public. The orders for the lighthouse tenders were at once sent to Key West in plain lan-

Paymaster Charles W. Littlefield, who is given in the list of officers of the Maine, has een recently replaced by Paymaster Ryan. Littlefield is now in Washington.

Secretary Long received Captain Sigsbee's dispatch but a few minutes before the Associated Press dispatches from Hanava were handed to him, He received the news with apparent calm and his first act was to comply with Captain Sigsbee's request that assistance be sent from Key West. He immediately wired Captain Forsythe at Key West to proceed with the naval tender Fern to Havana barbor. He then sent for Captain Dickens and the two discussed Captain Sigsbee's brief telegram.

the naval colony here is ignorant of this disaster, the greatest which has befallen the American navy since the disaster in Apia many years ago. The secretary is inclined to believe that most of the officers of the Maine were on shore at the time of the accident.

While neither the secretary nor Captain Dickens is inclined to discuss the probable cause of the accident, several suggestions were ventured upon. They believe that it may have been caused by a fire in the bunkers, heating the bulkhead near a magazine, or that an accident might have occurred while inspecting high explosives for torpedoes. Of course, this is mere speculation, and the secretary is anxiously waiting a more detailed report from Captain Sigebee. Later the secretary sent another telegram to Key

West, directing that the tender Mangrove be also sent to Hayana,

LEGAL DEFINITION OF ACCIDENT. BATTLE SHIP AND ITS OFFICERS, Anything Not Prearranged or Pur-

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 15.-The United States court of appeals has affirmed the decision of the lower court wherein Mrs. Sarah I. Smith obtained judgment against the Western Commercial Travelers' association for \$5,000 on the death of her husband, Judge Sanborn in it gives the judicial conof this city died from blood poisoning in 1895, as the result of a sore toe, the akin of which had been abraided by a tight shoe. Mrs. Smith attempted to collect the accident policy, but was resisted by the association. A jury in Judge Adams court gave her the full amount of the policy and it was appealed. Judge Sanborn then decided that the death had been brought about by on accident and that it was accidental. "What is not the result of design or prearrangement," said the judge, "is accidental. No man intentionally wears the skin off his toes and such injury must be

ALL OF THE SHIPS CREW MISSING.

considered an accident."

Alaskan Waters. VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 15 .- A late repor off Berners bay, Lynn canal. The fire and explosion were seen and heard from the wharf and wreckage was picked up on the beach next day, but there were no signs of

the forty men on her. PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 15.-Captain C. H Lewis of the steamer Clara Nevada has been in the employ of the Oregon Railway & Navigation company and the Pacific Coast Steam ship company for twenty years, and at different times he has commanded the steamers G. W. Elder, Williamette, the Idaho and the Michigan. Last August he attempted to take the stern wheel steamer Eugene from this city to St. Michaels, but met disaster on Vancouver island.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 15 .- Senstor Marior Butler and ex-Senator Dubois arrived today to attend the populist conference that begins tomorrow. Senator Butler said the purpose was to bring about not fusion, but "honorable co-operation." He did not think the so-called middle-of-the-roader, who is only one in a thousand, would stand out

against it. The situation in Minnesota is so similar to that in many western states that the decision of the state conference will be looked upon as forming a precedent for action.

Captain Sigsbee and the Gallant Ship He Commanded.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 .- The Maine is a battleship of the second class and is regarded as one of the best ships in the new navy. It was built at the Brooklyn navy yard and is 318 feet long, 75 feet wide, 21.6 mean draught and 6,682 tons displacement. It carries four ten-inch and six sixinch breech-loading guns in its main battery and seven six-pounders and eight onepounder rapid fire guns and four gatlings in its secondary battery, and Whitehead torpedoes.

The officers of the Maine, besides Commander Sigsbee, are Lieutenant Commander Richard Wainwright, Lieutenants F. W. Holman, John Hood, Carl W. Yungen, Lieutenants (junior grade) George P. Blow, John. T. Blandin, Friend W. Jenkins; Naval Cadets Holden, W. Cluverius, Amon Bronson, David Boyd, jr.; Surgeon L. Henneberger. Paymaster Charles W. Littlefield, Chief Engineer Charles B. Howell, Passed Assistant Engineer Frederick C. Bowers, Assistant Engineers John R. Morris and Darwin R. Merritt, Naval Cadets (engineer division) Pope Washington and Arthur Crenshaw, Chaplain John P. Chidwick, First Lieutenant of Marines Albertus W. Cattlin, Boatswaln Francis says the steamer Clara Nevada was burned E. Larkin, Gunner Joseph Hill and Carpenter George Pelms.

The commander of the Maine, Captain Sigsbee, is a favorite in the Navy depactment. For four years he was chief of the hydrographic office and his energy brought the office up to a high standard. He was ucky to get so important a ship as the Maine, considering his actual rank, which s that of commander, but immediately he justified the department's judgment in the selection by running his ship straight into a dock in New York harbor to avoid running down a packed excursion boat. This was a display of quick judgment, pluck and nerve that pleased the government so highly that the captain was sent a complimentary

The Maine was built in New York in 1890. at a cost of \$2,588,000. It had a steel hull and a complement of 874 men.

Ambassador Angell to Resign. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 15.—Re-gent Roger W. Butterfield of the State University of Michigan, has received a letter rom President James B. Angell, now am passador to Turkey, stating that he would resign and be home in time to resume his duties as president of the university this