EAST IS SNOWBOUND

Blizzard Unparalleled in November Rages Throughout New England.

NEW YORK SUFFERS BRUNT OF THE STORM

Many Persons Overcome by the Cold and Die from Exposure.

WIRE AND RAIL TRAFFIC SUFFERS HEAVILY

Trains Are Snowed In and Held by Serious Washouts.

CAR SERVICE IN CITIES ALMOST HELPLESS

Wires Are Down Along the Atlantic Coast and Complete List of Disasters Has Not Yet Been

. Obtained.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27 .- When the people of New York awoke this morning they found that the blizzard which raged when they retired was still in progress. The storm began with a sleety snow on Saturday noon and increased greatly as the day wore on. The wind was blowing a gale at midnight. There was a slight abating of the wind this morning, but the snow still came down and the temperature dropped rapidly. It looked this morning as though the blizzard would continue all day, but at 10 o'clock there was a breaking away in the west and finally the storm ceased altogether and the severest blizzard since the memorable one of March, 1888, came to an end with the wind blowing at the rate of from fifty-nine to sixty miles an hour during the height of the storm.

The fall of snow in New York City, the the greatest damage was to telegraph wires weather bureau reports, was about ten and the delay to steam traffic was inconinches, Philadelphia nine inches, Boston six siderable. inches, Portland, Me., four inches and Albany a little over an inch.

morning came an increase in the velocity of the wind and the loose, dry snow was pent swirling and eddying everywhere. Nearly a foot of snow had fallen, but in places it had drifted to four and five feet. The peculiarity of the storm was the encrusting of nearly every window and the walls of buildings, and when the storm cleared away the great city was transformed into a spectacle of glistening white of surpassing beauty. Broadway and the great thoroughfares of the city presented a fantastic appearance.

Drifts in the Streets. of the country there were drifts on the sidewalks through which the early morning wayfarer plowed to his waist. In some of the eat drifts formed barriers ac them and in many instances filled up the frenches that had been dug by the street railroads for the transforming of the mo-

tive power from cable to electricity. As soon as there were signs of abatement in the fall of snow the street cleaning department went to work, but little progress was

Suburban traffic was blocked for several hours in the morning and after that trains ran at long intervals. All trains were delayed. Some that were due in the early morning hours had not been heard from at night. The superintendent of mails in the general postoffice reported that the early Boston mails had not been heard from at 9 o'clock tonight. Incoming mails from other parts he said were from two hours to an unknown number of hours behind time. Few trains due at the Grand Central station today arrived on time. The terrific blow of Saturday night did much damage to the small shipping in New York harbor. It is reported tonight that several tugboats belonging to the Kingston Towing company together with a large number of canal

of the gale. The shores of the Hudson are littered with wreckage. An order was sent out from police headquarters to the various precinct commanders to have arrested all persons found alone in a condition that would raise even the suspicion of intoxication. As a result the police courts today were crowded with eminently respectable looking persons who were with a small fine and an admonition to get in out of the snow. Notwithstanding this precaution on the part of the police there were numerous casualties, including

several deaths from exposure. Trains All Delayed. Trains north, east, south and west were nearly all stalled early in the night, although one train from Bangor reached Lynn this noon and two Chicago trains came into

the city this evening. In cities and towns dependent upon electric cars service was even worse, for the damp snow packed hard on the rails and held up even the heavy snowplows. The service in this city was probably the best of any of the surrounding communities, yet even here there was no attempt made to run more than a dozen cars on Washington street and one or two others of the main thoroughfares.

The storm, while not so severe and far reaching in its effects as the fearful blizzard of last February, was, nevertheless, the heaviest experienced in November in this part of the country for a long series of years. Coming on Sunday it did not cause the anpoyance or inconvenience it would have done on a week day and most of the transportation companies made a heroic effort to at least partially recover from the effects of

the blockade. Only the most meager reports were received up to 6 o'clock tonight of the effects of the storm on the coast, but even those few lines gave way to the gravest fears as to the safety of what little shipping that may have been off Cape Cod last night or today. It will probably be two or three days before a complete list of the disasters can be made.

All points south of this city and east of Providence were isolated early last evening, New Bedford being lost to the outside world before 8 o'clock and Newport and Fall River disappearing into the night not long after. Further to the west, at Providence and in other parts of Rhode Island, communication was intermittent and subject to great delay. Night trains over the shore fine to New York reached Providence with only a few minutes' delay, but beyond that point are terrible drifts and it was morning be fore either of the two regular trains reached New London. Here they were stalled nearly all day by freight wrecks on the road between that point and New Haven. The trains from New York met similar experience west of Saybrook and after some hours of telegraphing they managed to reach New London and started later in the afternoon for Providence. At neen today the regular New York express city.

from Chicago left Springfield for this city, followed a short time later by the morning express from the west, and barring a slight delay from a wreck at East Brookfield came through to this city all right.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 27 .- On account of the blizzard in New York last night all trains from points north of Philadelphia were from one to five hours late today. The Pennsylvania train bearing this morning's issue of the New York papers did not arrive until nearly noon, four hours behind schedule

During last night and today high winds prevailed on the Chesapeake bay, but so far as known there were no casualties.

MERCURY DROPS IN QUAKER CITY. Nine Inches of Snowfall in Fourteen

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 27.-The blizzard which came out of the west reached this city at 11 o'clock yesterday morning and raged furiously until 1 o'clock this morn-

As unexpected as it was violent, it wrought great havoc not only here but throughout the entire state. In those four-

morning. The main line of the Pennsylvania railroad was greatly delayed.

Today the weather has been clear and cold and much progress has been made in restoring affairs to their normal condition. Dispatches from interior towns tell of

like condition. At Stroudsburg large forces of men were working all day on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western tracks, trying to get trains through to New York. In the mountain regions of Scranton and Wilkesbarre by mistake.

The schooner William M. Wilson, from Philadelphia for Norfolk with a cargo of coal, sprung a leak four miles south of With the brightening of the skies this Metemkin life saving station. Its signals compling came an increase in the velocity were promptly answered and the guards took off its crew of six men. The schooner anchored a mile and a half off shore and is likely to sink during the night. A number of vessels of the capes were unable to get into the harbor and it is feared that there have been heavy losses. The steamer Admiral Sampson, which left Philadelphia yesterday for its official trial trip, is safely anchored behind the new breakwater.

> BLOCKADE IN NEW ENGLAND. Traffic of Every Description is Gen-

erally Demoralised. BOSTON, Nov. 27.-A record-breaking November blizzard swept over the greater In the greatest artery of business activity portion of New England last night and today, completely demoralizing traffic of every description and wellnigh paralyzing telegraphic and telephonic communication. ale, coming on a high course of tides, drove the sea far beyond its usual ceeded only by the memorable hurricane of Minister for War M. de Freycinet and Min-1851.

During the gale last night and this morning the barges and schooners lying in the harbor were wrecked and sunk and at least ponement until after the decision of the twelve lives were lost.

Wilson liner, Ohio, is ashore on Spectacle island in the bay. No serious damage is reported.

While the storm was heaviest in the district was affected and experienced a refer the request to the cabinet and to give snowfall of from eight to twenty-four inches a reply today, will decline to postpone the and as the center of the disturbance moved | Picquart court-martial. His decision will be down the Maine coast that section and the announced in the Chamber of Deputies toprovinces will probably receive a similar taste of winter weather tonight. Fortunately the storm was heralded suffi-

ciently in advance by the weather bureau to keep most of the coastwise shipping in safe harbors. But the warning was entirely unheeded and ignored by those on shore, with the result that nearly every one, especially the railroads and electric companies, were caught napping and suffered accordingly. boats were sunk in the river by the force There was not a railroad in New England that was not more or less tied up by the heavy fall of snow and the great drifts and the roads running along the coast, like the New York, New Haven & Hartford and the Boston & Maine, had the added difficulty of frequent washouts in places exposed to the

DAMAGE ON NEW JERSEY COAST.

Communication with Life Saving Stations Cut Off. CAPE MAY, N. J., Nov. 27 .- The northrest snowstorm which has prevailed along the coast since yesterday, accompanied by a wind blowing at the rate of about forty miles an hour, did no damage on the beach front, but on the Delaware bay shore destroyed a large number of fish ponds and The telegraph, telephone, electric piera light and fire alarm wires are down and

tonight the town streets are in darkness, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Nov. 27 .- The everest wind and snow storm in ten years has been raging along this coast the last two days. Telephone communication between the life saving stations has been proken off, making it impossible for the Maritime exchange in this city to ascertain whether there has been any material dis-

Worst Storm Since 1888.

aster or not.

HARTFORD: Coun., Nov. 27 .- The storm in this city is the heaviest known since the blizzard of 1888. The snow is about two feet on a level and is drifted badly. John Ahern, an electrician, was killed on the Glastonbury trolley line today while working at clearing the track. He was struck by the blade of a snowplow following a car and instantly killed.

PLUNGES THROUGH A BRIDGE

Fireman of Fast Freight is Instantly Killed and Brakeman is Fatally Injured.

ROANOKE, Va., Nov. 27 .- A northbound ast freight on the Shenandoah division of the Norfolk & Western railway went through bridge near Riverside, fifty-seven miles north of Roanoke, today. Fireman Joseph Stevens was instantly killed, Brakeman David Winger fatally injured and Engineer Stephen Mayo seriously scaled by escaping

The bridge was under construction at the time of the accident and it is said that several of the bridge workers were more or less injured. One span of the structure gave way, precipitating part of the train to the water below, a distance of thirty feet. The train was loaded with live stock and some of the cars were demolished, killing a consid-

erable number of the cattle. A wrecking crew with surgeons was sent from Roanoke to the scene of the accident The dead and injured were brought to this

Arrest of Mme. Bianchini for Attempting to Poison Her Husband.

ESCAPE OF THE POPULAR SCENIC ARTIS'

His Friends Interfered in Time to Prevent His Being Slowly Poisoned to Death by Treacherous Wife.

French capital. The alleged poisoning took place five months ago, according to a dispatch to the teen hours the snowfall reached a depth of Mail. Blanchini, who is young and full of over nine inches and the wind reached a life and vigor, suddenly became very deli-velocity of over forty-five miles an hour. cate. He had fainting fits with intolerable Frank." Mr. Franklin was the discoverer These figures are unprecedented in the pains in the stomach, dilated pupils and all of the now famous Holy Terror mine at figures of the weather bureau. The mer- the marks of extreme suffering. Doctor Keystone. When he found that his location cury dropped until well below the freezing after doctor was called in. One doctor had been so successful he toke his wife about point and tonight it is still on its down- wanted to trephine his skull. To this Mme. it and asked her what he should name it.

The country milk trains, which tried to get into town this morning, are still snow-bound and no Atlantic City trains got away from the city until 11 o'clock this morning. The morning trois are still snow-bound and no Atlantic City trains got away from the city until 11 o'clock this morning. The morning trois are still snow-bound and no Atlantic City trains got away from the city until 11 o'clock this morning. The morning trois at the properties of the line is said to have given away several for-Opera Comique and the opera respectively, carried Bianchini off bodily to a cottage at St. Germaine. Then he rapidly got well.

The story spread and finally Mme. Blanchini was forced to take some action and that action has brought her into her present trouble, for she set the law in motion. Several phials of atropine were found in the house, but she said she had used the stuff to cure a dog which had a cold and that Bianchini must have swallowed some

Accepts Her Fate Cheerfully. Stories of domestic infelicities added to the gravity of the case and yesterday M. Roy, police commissioner, called to see the lady. She is under 30, has an agreeable, though not classical, countenance and the figure of an aphrodite. She laughed mockingly at the charge and said:

"This little affair will make a stir in Paris tomorrow.' She refused to accompany the officer until she had dressed, saying as she shut the door in his face:

"Oh, I am not going to commit suicide. Who laughs last laughs best." After a time the lady reappeared in ravishing costume of the latest mode and was taken to St. Lazare prison. Mme. Bianchini is the daughter of an officer of high grade in the army. She married in the first instance M. Lebeau, who about three years ago attempted suicide.

PICQUART'S TRIAL NOT DELAYED. Will Be Court-Martialed for Reveal-

ing Important Information.
PARIS, Nov. 27.—There was a renewal today of yesterday's tween the premier, M. ister of Justice M. Lebret and members of both chambers regarding the request of the committee of the leftist senators for a postcourt of cassation in the Dreyfus affair of the trial of Colonel Picquart, charged with revealing important military documents to his counsel.

As a result of the conferences it is underoutheastern part of New England the whole stood that M. Dupuy, who had promised to

morrow. This afternoon M. Dupuy had several conversations with M. de Freycinet at the offices of the ministry of war. He is supposed to have gone there to inspect certain documents only obtainable at the war office

in connection with the Dreyfus case. General Zurlinden, military governor of Paris, in an official note today repudiates the insinuation that his decision to send Colonel Picquart for trial by court-martial was prompted or suggested by President Faure. Le Soir asserts that "the Picquart dosler contains new and unanswerable proofs of the guilt of Dreyfus."

Le Fetite Journal article declares that the secret dosier constitutes the only real proof of Dreyfus' guilt. A duel was fought today between Maximo Dreyfus and M. Lepir, a journalist. Neither

was injured. STORMS IN SOUTHERN EUROPE.

Shipping in France and Italy Suffers from Gales. PARIS, Nov. 27 .- During the last twenty-

four hours storms increasing in severity northern Italy. Much damage has been done have suffered especially. At Genoa the German cruiser Hertha, one

of the convoy war ships during Emperor William's recent trip to Palestine, broke its moorings and collided with the Italian mail steamer Scilla, both being slightly damaged. Several other casualties were reported.

Death of Willits from Sunstroke. Copyright, 1898, by Press Publishing Co.) SAN JUAN, Nov. 27.—(New York World Cablegram-Special Telegram.)-Frank E. Willits, president of the Colonial club, who died Friday, suffered a sunstroke, which caused him intense agony. Dr. Jose Nunez, a native physician who was called, adminiscaused lockjaw. Willits died in convulsions. judge, of Palmyra, Neb. Tetanus is a common disease in Porto Rico. Many soldiers die of the disease. Mr. Willits was a Chicago man.

Minister Straus Secures Concessions. CONSTANTINOPLE. Nov. 27 .- It is due to the energetic action of Oscar S. Straus, the United States minister, that he has obtained a concession which the united powers had been for eighteen months vainly endeavoring to secure, namely, the granting of dwelling permits for foreigners in the tnterior of Asia Minor. The immediate insionaries.

Report About Chusan Denied. SHANGHAI, Nov. 27 .- The report received here that the British admiral had hoisted the union jack over Ting-Hai, capital of the island of Chusan, and over several other islands in the Chusan archipelago is not credited. The British consulate has had no cert of more than ordinary musical attracconfirmation of the rumor, which probably originated in mistaking the survey marks of the survey ship Water Witch for the the direction of Rev. Osgood, assisted by union jack.

Statement of Bank of Spain. MADRID, Nov. 27 .- The Bank of Spain | terest of her class at the home of Mr. and report for the week shows: Gold in hand, | Mrs. H. C. Stokes.

LATEST PARISIAN SCANDAL unchanged; silver in hand, increase 6,404,000 HOLOCAUST ON RIVER BOAT 000 pesetas.

> Esterhasy Sails for America. ANTWERP, Nov. 27.—The Droits de Homme asserts that Major Ferdinand Walsin Esterhazy has sailed for the United

NAMING OF THE HOLY TERROR

Death of Black Hills Woman Recalls Christening of Famous

DEADWOOD, S. D., Nov. 27 .- (Special.)-Word has been received here of the death of Mrs. Jennie Franklin at (Copyright, 1898, by Press Publishing Co.)
LONDON, Nov. 28.—(New York World
Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—1 a. m.—
sition in the history of the Black
Mme. Bianchini was arrested in Paris yesHills. Fifteen years ago she lived in Minterday (Sunday) charged with trying to poison her husband, Charles Bianchini, a famous scenic artist and one of the most popular figures in the theatrical world of the she owned. Soon afterwards she sold this property for \$8,000 to the Harney Peak Tin company and in 1887 married William Franklin, better known as "Recky Mountain ward way. In this city traffic of every kind as well as wire communications, was crippled. Suburban lines were brought to a complete standstill, with the roads piled high with drifted snow.

The country with traffic of every kind Bianchini agreed, but another member of the family obstinately protested.

After careful observation a physician declared his belief that Bianchini was sufferling to traffic the family obstinately protested.

She laughingly told him that he had made a great many locations in his life but had never named one after her He thereupon called the new mine the Holy Terror," ing from atropine poisoning. Bianchini had which name this rich mine still retains. Mr. tunes in benevolent work. She will be buried at Hill City by the side of her husband.

BLACK HILLS TEACHERS' MEETING. Papers Rend and Subjects Considered

at Tenth Annual Convention.
RAPID CITY, S. D., Nov. 27.—
(Special.)—This city is filled with visiting teachers from all parts the Black Hills, attending the tenth annual session of the Black Hills Educational association. The program Sat-urday was as follows: "The Problem of Education in Our Newly Acquired Na-tional Domain," E. J. Moore, Hot Springs; "The Influence of Horace Mann on American Education," Mary Bigely, Lead; "The Geology of the Black Hilla C. C. O'Harra, Ph. D., State School of Mines; "How May the Benefits of a Library be Brought Within the Reach of Our Rural Schools," J. F. Piles, Terraville, "The Social Element of the Public Schools," L. P. McCain, Terry; "Individualism in Method," G. W. Fallon, Edgemont; annual lecture, G. E. MacLean, D. D., Ph. D., L.L. D., chancellor of the University of Nebraska.

Acquitted of Stenling Cattle.

DEADWOOD, S. D., Nov. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—The jury last night acquitted Carberry and Smith for the alleged theft of Sie ix City. The defense proved that the cattle were heavily mortgaged and that Stone hired the two men to ship them. W. E. Adams of this city holds the mortgage and he may prosecute Stone.

B. & M. Plans Extension HILL CITY, S. D., Nov. 27 .- (Special.)-It is understood here from a reliable source that the B. & M. will build a branch line in that direction.

MACLEAN TALKS ON EXPANSION Northwest Nebraska Educators Meet in Annual Session.

CHADRON, Neb., Nov. 27 .- (Special.)-At the annual meeting of the Northwestern Nebraska Educational association held in Crawford last Friday Chancellor George E. MacLean of the University of Nebraska discussed a subject of more than usual interest at this time in a lecture, "Education in the New Era of Expansion." chancellor considered the subject of education in the prospective colonies in a practical and conservative manner, which won the admiration and endorsement of all the educators who were in atendance upon the asso-

The newly elected officers for the associa tion are: President, Prof. W. B. Backus, Chadron; vice president, Anna E. Necland, Alliance; secretary, Mrs. L. M. Parker, Rushville; treasurer, Prof. C. A. Freeman. Gordon; executive committee, Principal W. C. Rhoades, Chadron academy; Prof. John V. Crone, Crawford, and C. A. Freeman, Gordon.

FREIGHT RUNS DOWN PASSENGER. Engine Disabled and Sleeping Car

-A railroad wreck occurred here this ing the scorching vapor. He died at the remorning on the B. & M. An eastbound freight ran into the rear of a passenger train, badly damaging a sleeping car. The have raged throughout southern France and freight engine was disabled and several cars loaded with coal badly broken up. at Marseilles, Cannes, San Romo and Genoa. The wrecking crew worked all day to clear Along the Riviera sea walls and sea fronts up the wreck. No one was hurt, except a brakeman, whose knee was injured.

Battle Creek Poultry Show. BATTLE CREEK, Neb., Nov. 27 .- (Special.)-The first annual exhibition of the Battle Creek Poultry and Pet Stock association has been an unqualified success. It opened Wednesday morning and closed Friday night. About 350 chickens were on exhibtion, besides pigeons, ducks, grese and turkeys. The chicken exhibit embraced a large number of varieties and made a show worth seeing. People thronged the hall daily and everybody was delighted with the show. There were eighteen exhibitors, tered an injection of quinine. He used a principally of Norfolk and Battle Creek. needle which was in a filthy condition and The birds were scored by L. P. Harris,

Lodge Elections at Geneva. GENEVA, Neb., Nov. 27.—(Special.)— Geneva lodge, No. 65, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, has elected officers as follows: Dr. J. W. Puckett, N. G.; Dr. W. T. Smith, V. G.; F. M. Flory, secretary; C. C. Spangler, corresponding secretary; H. P. Wilson, treasurer.

At their last meeting Silver Link R. D. odge. No. 14, elected the following officers G.; Mrs. Ella Waring, V. G.; F. F. Flory, contive to the action of Mr. Straus was the secretary; Mrs. Grace A. Flory, financial porte's refusal of permits to American mis- secretary; Mrs. Hester Redfern, treasurer; Mrs. Emma P. Wilson, Mary Schofield and Grace A. Flory, trustees.

Musicules at Harvard.

HARVARD, Neb., Nov. 27 .- (Special.) Friday evening the people of Harvard were pleasantly entertained by the choir of the Congregational church, which gave a contions. Harvard has many good musicians in fact has always. The effort was under Mrs. Kate Barbour as accompanist.

Friday evening Miss May Rese of Hast ings gave a recital and musicale in the in-

Six People Killed and Eleven Severely Injured in Boiler Explosion.

AWFUL SUFFERING OF SCALDED VICTIMS

T. C. Walker, En Route Between San Francisco and Stockton, Blown Up with Terrible Effect.

STOCKTON, Cal., Nov. 27.-The most disastrous river accident in the history of Stockton occurred this morning at 4:20 o'clock near Fourteen Mile 4:20 o'clock near Fourteen Mile with terrible violence. It had split com-Slough, when a part of one of the boilers pletely across the upper portion and the of the river steamer T. C. Walker, which left San Francisco about 6 o'clock last night, was blown out, killing six and danprobably fifteen or twenty were more or less badly hurt. The T. C. Walker is owned by the California Navigation and Improvement company and ran between San Francisco and Stockton.

The dead: JOHN TULAN, captain. W. A. BLUNT, agent in charge of shipping of sugar beets from the Moss tract to the Crockett factory.
FERDINAND LAW of Seattle, passenger;

badly scalded about face and hands and in jured about the breast; died at hospital. WATSON HENRY of Stockton, engineer

of the T. C. Walker.
MRS. WATSON HENRY, wife of the chief engineer. JERRY DALY, fireman.

The wounded are: George P. Smith, a native of Massachusetts; deck hand, burned about the face and

James Corcoran, deck hand; will probably Jack Holberg, known as Jack Sperry,

watchman; injured in head and scalded over entire upper part of body. Coratti Dominici, deck hand; scalded

about hands and face and back injured. John Burns, deck hand; burned about head. G. Foppianno of San Francisco, passenger; injured in the face and breast.

about face and hands. Martin McCaffrey of San Francisco, deck hand; burned about the head and body. Louis Brizzolana of San Francisco; wine

merchant, badly injured. John Figoni of Stockton, deck hand; head cut and back hurt. Passengers Were All Asleep.

The majority of the passengers were in bed when the explosion occurred and were awakened by the report, which was as loud as a cannon's roar.

People rushed from their rooms in their

night clothes and found the whole forward portion of the steamer's upper works blown away. The electric lights had been put out Sheriff Reed and posse returned tonight and the escaping steam enveloped the front fifty head of cattle from L. P. Stone which were driven from the ranch and shipped to see how much of the boat had been car-

that he could not move. The door could not be forced open, as he was jammed against it. One of the employes of the boat secured an axe and cut the upper part of the room to Keystone. Orders have been issued to away and finally removed him, but not until Section Foreman Byrne to repair the spur he was virtually roasted alive. When pulled excruciatingly he bore it bravely and not a

groan escaped him as he was taken out of the steam. Watson Henry, the chief engineer, and his wife were in their room near the pilot house when the explosion occurred. Mrs. Henry was blown through the roof. The flooring was blown upward and she was hurled with great violence a distance of twenty feet toward the bow of the boat. She was horribly crushed by the fury of the explosion and also badly scalded with escaping steam. Her injuries proved fatal at 12:30 o'clock this afternoon. She retained consciousness until a few moments before her death. Her suffering was so intense that she begged the physicians in attendance to end her life, but all that could be done was to deaden the pain by the use of narcotics. Mr. Henry was terribly scalded. He was thrown some distance away, but not so far as was his wife. He died shortly after being brought to this

city. Mr. Blunt was instantly killed. He was standing on the lower deck, as he intended making a landing a short distance above the place where the explosion occurred. The escaping steam completely enveloped BROKEN BOW, Neb., Nov. 27.—(Special.) The escaping steam completely enveloped him, scarcely a portion of his body escap-

ceiving hospital at 12:45 this afternoon.

Almost Ronsted Alive. Underneath the lower deck, where the deck hands slept, the groans and screams were terrible, for the unfortunate imprisoned men were receiving the full force of the steam as it came from the boilers. Eight of them were almost roasted alive. Those who were able made their way to the leck as best they could, while the more seriously injured were unable to get out. Arms and faces of those near the main entrance were frightfully scalded. Dominici, who was on the lower deck, was blown into the water and had to swim ashore after his back was horribly scalded.

Louis Brizzolana, in company with Charles Maggini and wife, was standing near the pilot house on the Texas deck. The force threw him to one side, but not until he was badly burned about the body. Maggini and his wife escaped without

About an hour after the explosion the passenger steamer Dauntless, coming from San Francisco, hove in sight. It rendered immediate assistance and all the wounded and uninjured were taken aboard. A telephone message was sent to this city and the steamer Clara Crow with several physicians, medicines, etc., were sent to aid the Daunt- field, several hundred bales of cotton and less. The relief boat met the Dauntless a 500 head of cattle and hogs. He estimates politically obligatory, as the reverse policy short distance down the river and the phystclans were quickly taken on board. A terrible sight greeted them. Captain Tulan sections and no less than 100 residences have was breathing his last. Mrs. Henry was been destroyed. Several lives have been ing the Asiatic trade to the world's comfor the coming term: Mrs. Kate Curtiss, N. lying in the ladies' cabin and every effort Mr was made to relieve her sufferings. Brizzolana was lying on a bed in a state

> On the lower deck the injured employes of the boat were located. Moans and screams which could not be repressed, issued from the bruised and blistered men. Everything possible was done to relieve their terrible ageny.

> One of the remarkable escapes is that of Captain Henry Potvine, who was at the wheel of the Walker when the explosion occurred. The pilot house was torn away, but he was not dangerously injured, though somewhat scalded about the lower limbs. Terrific Force of the Explosion.

Forecast for Nebraska— Snok Flurries; Variable Winds Yesterday's temperature at Omaha: Hour. Deg. Hour. Deg. 5 s. m..... 12 1 p. m..... 22 6 a. m. 12 7 a. m. 14 8 a. m. . . . 16 9 a. m. . . . 18 2 p. m..... 24 3 p. m..... 25 10 a. m..... 19 11 a. m..... 20 12 m 21 p. m

Yorke and his wife, passengers, heard a noise, which they supposed to be escaping steam. No attention was paid to it, how-

What caused the explosion will probably never be known. The steam drum burst

whole sheet turned outward. The four walls of the engine room were demolished by the force of the explosion. gerously wounding eleven persons, while The lower deck, hurricane deck and Texas deck were wrecked in the portion directly over the engine room. The direction of the flying debris was upward and outward toward to bow. If it had been the other way the loss of life would have been much greater. The forward doors and stairway were destroyed. An immense concourse of people met the Walker, which was towed in at 12:30 p. m. The property loss will not

NEGROES REPORTED LYNCHED Perpetrators of an Assault Upon a

exceed \$2,000.

White Man Have "Disappeared."

MERIDIAN, Miss., Nov. 27.-Reports have reached here that three negroes were lynched last night four miles west of Meridian. Newton county farmers were said to be on the trail of others implicated in an assault on a white man, who came to Meridian on Friday from Newton county. After transacting his business he left for home and camped near Oakatubee river, four miles west of the city. While breaking camp yesterday a hog came up and got into his provisions and he drove it off. At this juncture a negro came up and told the white man the hog belonged to bim, abusing him roundly. The Newton county farmer hitched up his team and started toward home and Edward Paul Jones, stevedore; scalded did his best to avoid trouble, but the negro was joined by four others and together they chased the white man across Oakstubee river, firing repeated volleys, one load of which lodged in the farmer's arm, producing a painful wound. After crossing the river the blacks gave up the chase and the white man went to his home and notified his friends and neighbors.

Last night a dozen or more white men boarded the eastbound Alabama & Vicksburg train at Chunkey and got off at Lost Gap, six miles west of Meridian, with the avowed purpose of killing the negroes implicated in the assault. The man who was assaulted recognized the blacks and the white men started at once to hunt them down. from the scene of the trouble bringing three

negro prisoners. Early in the day a frightened negro reported to the sheriff that a mob of white men was shooting into negro houses and in their rooms near the pilot house were threatening to kill every negro in the com-heartrending. Captain John Tulan had munity. He said they fired over a hundred shots into the house of the ringleader of posse and started for the scene, but on arrival could find no trace of the white men or any corpses. However, the three negroes concerned in yesterday's outrage had "disappeared" and it is said the Newton county mob had taken them in charge. The three out the flesh dropped from his bones in negroes arrested were relatives of the rioters large pieces and although he was suffering and the sheriff took them in safe keeping until the trouble subsides.

GILLETT'S DEBTS IN A TANGLE

Some Cattle Found to Have Been Mortgaged Twice and Assets Less Than Half of Liabilities.

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 27 .- A special to the Journal from Abilene, Kan., says that the liabilities of Grant G. Gillett, the cattle king, will reach \$1,500,000 and that the assets will not reach half of this. It develops that Gillett had filed in Dickinson county mortgages on 30,500 cattle and aggregating \$849,660. In addition to this amount, according to the Journal's dispatch, Gillett has outstanding nearly \$600,000 of accommoda-

tion paper. The thirty or more men who are in Abilene representing commission houses and other creditors of Gillett have been busy all day tracing the cattle upon which their firms hold mortgages. It was found that at least one bunch of cattle has been mort- fined. It embraced the so-called Sulu group. gaged to two firms. The whereabouts of There has been no change since the first de-Gillett are still unknown. The mortgages mand, and, according to the statement of Jerry Daly, the fireman, was in the fire filed in Abilene show the principal creditors hold of the boat when the accident occurred. and their securities to be as follows: Elmore & Cooper, 8.170 head, \$243,000; Gilles ple Commission company, 7,000 head, \$210,-000; Trowers & Sons, 4,600 head, \$100,000 Vail & Gates, 542 head, \$16,200; Holmes Live Stock company, 1,560 head, \$41,800; Evans-Snider-Buell company, 6,222 head, \$122,900; Bohart & Co., St. Joseph, 1,500 head, \$30, 000; Keeper & Dake, Denver, 1,264 head,

\$25,000. Total, 30,993 head, \$849,760. FORT WORTH, Tex., Nov. 27.-Grant C. Gillett, the Kansas cattle king, who recently failed for a million and suddenly disappeared, is well known in Texas. During the present year he bought from Texas cattlemen nearly 50,000 head of cattle, paying for them \$2,800,000. Gillett, after leaving Kansas, came to Texas and on November 22 registered at the Worth hotel in this city. He was seen by local commission men. He left the same day and is thought to have gone to Old Mexico.

DISASTRUUS PRAIRIE FIRES

Residences and Farm Property in a Wide Aren of Southwest Country Laid Waste.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 27 .- A special to the Republic from Perry, Okl., says: Prairie fires have played havor in Oklahoma and the Indian Territory for the last few days. One farmer lost 1,000 acres of fine hay in the merce of nations without discrimination his loss at \$20,000. Millions of tons of hay in bale and bulk have been burned in other lost in these prairie fires. In the Kiowa Indian reservation a strip of land thirty by seventy-five miles was burned, causing great damage. These fires have been more destructive owing to the high winds

Found Guilty of Murder in First De

gree at Milan, Mo .- To He Exceuted December 30.

MILAN. Mo., Nov. 27 .- (Special Telegram.)-The jury in the case of the State against W. E. Furgeson for the murder of murder in the first degree, at Manifest late portunity, holding that the privilege to be At 8 o'clock last night the Walker ran last night. Judge Paris C. Stephens at once granted is very much more valuable than sentenced him to haps Friday, December the privilege to be obtained. into a mud bank near Benicia. Shortly after the steamer had been gotten of John

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER SIGN TREATY TODAY

Madrid Cabinet Agrees Upon the Instructions to President Rios.

SPAIN'S REPLY IS FINAL AND DEFINITE

It Will Yield to Ultimatum and Accept Indemnity Under Protest.

CANNOT DEMAND FURTHER CONCESSIONS

Day Notifies the Spaniards Americans Cannot Modify Stand Taken.

RED BOOK ON NEGOTIATIONS TO BE ISSUED

Madeld Paners Exhart Their Governs ment to Refuse the Indemnity Offered and to Protest Against America's Appeal to Force.

(Copyright, 1898, by Press Publishing Co.) PARIS, Nov. 27 .- (New York World Cas blegram-Special Telegram.)-Senor Abarzuza, a member of the Spanish commission, was asked tonight: "Can I say there are prospects of a rupture at tomorrow's meeting?" He replied: "No, but you may say that there are no prospects whatever of

rupture." Then he added: "Spain's reply, which we will hand in at tomorrow's session, is final and definite. It embodies not only the views of our government but of the commission as a whole."

The American commission declined to accede to any of the three propositions made by the Spaniards and cabled their answer last night. President Day also notified Montero Rios, in reply to a request for more time, that the American commission could not modify the demand it had made for a final reply today. MADRID, Nov. 27 .- The cabinet has agreed

upon the instructions to Senor Montero Rios, president of the Spanish peace commission, for tomorrow's joint session at Paris at which the treaty will be signed. The red book dealing with the peace negotiations is being prepared. El Imparcial exhorts the government to

refuse with dignity the indemnity America offers and to protest against America's appeal to force with respect to the Philippines. El Correo denies the reports that an in-

surrection has broken out in the Sulu islands. There is a good deal of comment upon a dispatch from Gibraltar announcing the

arrival there during this month of 180 new

model cannon.

To Accept Under Protest. PARIS, Nov. 27.—Senor Montero Rice president of the Spanish peace commission, s this evening waiting for the reply from the Spanish government and unless there is some change in the situation before noon tomorrow, the reply may be an acceptance, under protest, of the American offer of

\$20,000,000 for the Philippines. Even up to a late hour this evening telegrams have been exchanged between the Spanish commissioners and Madrid; but all the Americans in a position to speak with authority are convinced that the foregoing outlines the Spanish reply.

Marquis de Comillas, who is the largest individual creditor of Spain and has been here from the outset in behalf of numerous important enterprises of which he is the head, also indicated this evening that Spain had made up its mind to yield. He is in very close touch with the Spanish commissioners. "Nothing that we have done here," said the marquis, "has made any impression upon the minds of the American commis-

sioners. From the very first their intention was to take the Philippines and they have never wavered. "There is no truth in the report cabled here from Washington that in the last American memorandum a demand for the Sulu islands had been added. The original American claim was on territory within lines longitudinally and latitudinally deone of the American commissioners, there

will be no modification of it." DOORS CLOSED IN THE OCCIDENT. "Open Door" Policy Will Not Apply

in West Indies. WASHINGTON, Nov. 27 .- Administration officers do not expect that the socalled "open door" policy will take an important position in the discussions of the coming session of congress, but believe debate on this matter will wait on final disposition of the Philippines. A prominent official today said:

"The phrase 'open door' is of limited application and has been used only with reference to the possessions of European powers on the eastern coast of Asia. Originating in the treaty on 'open' ports of China and Japan, the words have been extended to cover ports which China h: eased or surrendered to foreign powers. The phrase means that in such ports the allen government has, in fact, imposed no discriminations in tariff or navigation charges against imports or vessels of other countries, but has treated them on the same plan as its own imports and its own vessels. In other words, foreign powers holding Chinese ports by seizure or treaty have merely announced that they will keep open such ports in the same manner that China has opened certain free ports to the comor favor. The 'epen door' policy has been would be direct hostility to the purpose of civilized nations, steadily pursued for

merce. "The phrase 'open door' has no pertinence to the western hemisphere and se relevancy to the West Indies. The matter has been completely misunderstood by foreign newspapers, giving the phrase an ap-W. E. FURGESON MUST HANG plication to this continent. The United States restricts trade between American ports to American vessels, precisely as the Dominion of Canada restricts trade to British vessels between Canadian ports. Under the law any nation which elects to ollow British vessels to engage in its coasting trade can obtain the privilege of enterior the coasting trade of Canada. The United S. G. Wilson, returned a verdict of guilty of States has never availed itself of this ope

The restriction of trade between the