Former.

General of Posts Rathbone would be sus-

pended, though today's action is tantamount

It is said, however, that the fact that

fourth assistant during the absence of Bris-

a single case involving moral turpitude.

the Island-Havana Postmaster

is Suspended.

of stamps that were ordered destroyed.

taken as soon as arrested.

statements that have been cabled him from

Mr. Sheridan will temporary fill Mr.

tonight, but the press advices

Neely Leaves for New York.

noon to be present at his preliminary hear-

ing in the Cuban postal embezziement case

singled out,

the United States.

Thompson's place.

employ.

affairs.

SUCCESS BY BULLER HADLEY PRACTICE FOR CROKER STRIKE NEAR A SETTLEMENT BRISTOW IN, RATHBONE OUT FREE HOMES BILL PASSES CONDITION OF THE WEATHER FINDS THE LAW GOOD

Clears the Biggaraberg Ridger of a Lurge Force of Burghers.

ACTION IS NOT A FORWARD MOV MINT

He Found Boers Too Numerous in the Rear for Com'ort.

NORTHERN NATAL RESIDENTS PLEASED

They Will Now Be Enabled to Return to Their Homes.

NO RELIEF YET FOR MAFEKING GARRISON

Capetown Advices Continue to Be Optimistic-General Hunter Expected to Reach There Tuesday or Wednesday.

LONDON, May 15 .- A diepatch received by the Associated Press from Pietermaritzburg, Natai, times and be too today, brings the first intimation of a succoss attained by General Buller in northern Natal. The sender of this dispatch evidently assumes that news of the affair hostilities, for he merely eavs:
"General Builer's official telegram netter

ing his success at the Biggarsburg, received here an hour ago, has given keen sain a tion. It is confidently anticipated that Dundes will be occupied by the British to-The residents of the north country are delighted, as forcing the Biggarsburg means that they will speedily be enabled to return to their homes."

Another dispatch to the Associated Press, dated Stone Hill Farm, 8:20 this morning.

foot of the Biggaroburg ridges, in the direc. probably find congenial." tion of Helpmankar, which was occupied by the federals, the second brigade, Sunday, led the attack. Dundonald's cavalry broke the on their extreme right. In the direction of Pomeroy a small party of burghers oc cupied a ridge overlooking Helpmaakar, bu they did not wait for the assault."

Buller's Move a Bold One.

Recent British scouting in the direction of Dundee has shown that the federals were in great force on the Biggarsburg. So, apparently, General Buller concluded that I was necessary to clear them from his rear before commencing a movement in the direction of the Drakensberg range. If that is his plan he has possibly divided his forces, sending one column eastward to threaten Vryheid and Utrecht and take Laing's nek tempte to form a junction with the forces of had been treated like the other prisoners of Trades council and the Brotherhood of Car-Lord Roberts, via the Harrismith railroad.

General Buller's turning of the Biggarsburg position was effected by a bold movement. The Boers had evacuated Helpmaakar, but were making a stand Monday evening at Bleskoplaagte, seven miles from Dundee. The corps on the epot regarded this as a rear

General Buller, who seems to be enjoying his full strength, is expected to puch on. His first marches were fifty miles in three days. He is thus breaking into British territory which had been administered for six months by the Transvasiers as though i were part of the republic, they holding courts and levying taxes. His success, therefore has political as well as military conse-Quences.

While Lord Roberts' infantry are concentrating at Kroonstad, where they will rest for a day or two, his horsemen have penetrated eighteen miles northward. In the equadron which cut the railway fifteen miles beyond Kroonstad was the American scout. Frederick Burnham, Two hundred Boers who had hidden in the river jungles near Kroonstad to escape service have surrendered to the British and taken the oath of allegiance.

Two Volksrand Members for Peace. According to a dispatch from Bennet Burleigh to the Daily Telegraph, dated Thursday, May 10, Paul Botha and MacDonald, members of the Free State Volksraad, degnanded that the chairman should call a meeting to sue for peace, as further resist- dragoons and Lieutenant Wilkinson of the after the chief of police had refused to issue ance was suicidal and proposed to make President Steyn a prisone

Nothing definite has been heard about the expected relief of Mafeking. The Capetown correspondents continue to wire that relief is imminent, fixing Tuesday or Wednesday as probable dates. Inquiries at the war office are told that the news of the relief will be Hunter is that possibly he is marching up approached the kraal unsuspiciously, as the north bank of the Vaal with a force sufficient, in co-operation with Lord Rob erts, to render Boer defense of the Transvaal frontier impracticable.

East of Bloemfontein General Rundle is advancing toward Ladybrand. His troops and those of General Brabrant are stretched over a distance of thirty miles. The Boers are described as quite disorganized and as retreating northward. President Steyn's licutenants are trying to rally them.

Tales of Disintegration. The same stories of disintegration come

from nearly every point where the English correspondents are. Hollowell, formerly a correspondent at Mafeking, who was put over the Transvani border, telegraphing from Lourenze Marquez Monday, says: "Judging from talks I have had with the

month or six weeks. Mr. Steinkamp, chairman of the second Rand, who traveled with from Pretoria they would retire to the district of the Leydenburg mountains which had already been provisioned. He remarked officials in the tofn, who, they declared that he heped the burghers would stand firm, but feared they were too broken in resolution was carried unanimously.

"I gathered from him that the whole available force of the Transvaal was now in first feel the effect of the embargo placed the field, the final commandering having on tinned meats and clothing destined to taken place last Thursday, and that it is Transvaal at Delagoa bay. only the powerful magneticm of President Kruger that is holding his burghers to

At the British hospitals in Bloemfontein the deaths from enteric fever average from eight to ten daily.

Proclamation of Annexation. All the correspondents agree that to all

Intents and purposes the Free Staters have severed their military alliance with the Transvasi, though scattered bodics, they say will possibly hold out here and there to

some time. At the same time a dispatch from Cape town, dated today, says a proclamation will be published this week annexing the Orange Free State. It is also said that General Boths, the commander-in-chief of the Boer forces, threatens to resign if any prepara-

(Continued on Fourth Page.)

London Express Proposes to Suppress the Big Tammany Boss Recause of Pro-Boer Tendencies.

LONDON, May 14 .- (New York World ablegram-Special Telegram.)-The Exese this morning advecates the estracism Richard Croker in England in revenge or Tammany's attitude on the Boer war. I "It has not escaped notice in this

that the American welcome to the

But the American wereme to be a has been inspired and ensource. The same Hall, controlled by the notorion. If hard Croker. The records of Tames the area of this new infamy, but what makes the a ton of Tampany peculiarly infamous now is the fact English domicile, poses as an English coun- pany, an don which a strike was inaugurater posts and the latter might act as a sub-

oatracism. "Croker, having excellent reasons for not spending more of his time in America than between the Transit company and its 3,600 tow would go to Havana the postmaster gen- ber of years and which in all probability school house, forty dwellings, hospital, two he can he'p, has bought Moat House, Wan-large. His claims upon our hospitality have fact, it was learned tonight that at a con-timation that there had been any wrong the upper branch of congress. In large were in select. Two hundred people are already been fully recognized, for he has been admitted to various sporting clubs of more or less importance. He now apparently desires to qualify as an English landhas been received direct from the acene of owner by encouraging the voters whom he controls in New York to express sympathy with the men who are engaged in shooting the sons and brothers of other English landowners. This may be American politics, but it may be doubted whether it will commend itself to the members of those clubs which Croker has hitherto frequented or the Engschmen who live in the district where he has bought himself a home.

"If Croker finds that the bracing air of the United States does not invariably suit his constitution he should secure the calm seclusion of an Italian villa within reach of 'After four days' murch eastward, at the the Duke of Orleans, whose company he will

Boers' center and Bethune's Horse advanced | states that No Difference is Made in Treatment of Colonial

Prisoners.

LONDON, May 14.-6:12 p. m.-The War Roberts, dated Kroonstad, Sunday, May 13, emphatic were they that the afternoon giving the correspondence between Lord papers came out with extra editions making Roberts and President Kruger, relative to the alleged ill treatment of colonial prisoners. The Transvaal's reply was to the effect that there was no difference in the treatment of the prisoners and that only a few who had contravened martial law or who had tried to escape or who it nad been building trades of this city for higher wages suspected might try to escape had been and shorter hours opened with a suspension placed in jail for security. Otherwise they of hostilities between the Allied Building

war. Regarding enteric fever, the government of the civil population as well as among the The truce will last a week pending negoprisoners and that every remedial measure

had been taken. Lord Roberts replied April 22 that he was work, glad to receive President Kruger's assur-Boer prisoners against whom might be reasonable ground for suspicion such exceptions gave room for abuse by officials without the knowledge of the gu- day of nine hours and higher wages. thorities.

CAPTURED UNDER WHITE FLAG

aptain Killed, Two Officers Wounded, Two Others Made Prisoners, with Twenty-One Men.

LONDON, May 14.-3:12 p. m.-The War office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts:

ere more casualties in the cavalry division May 10 than reported by me. I have been unable to get an exact account of what occurred, as the commanding officer, Captain Elsworthy, was killed, and two officers were wounded at the same time and have been sent to the rear. But it would appear that party of our men going up to a kraal on which a white flag was flying was suddenly dent today. The strikers, to the number of attacked by a large number of the enemy. Two officers-Captain Haig of the Sixth Australian horse-were made prisoners and wenty-one men are still unaccounted for. Some of them may have turned up, as the issuing the permit. cavalry covered a considerable distance May 10. and several reported missing have been

ejoining during the last few days." The above dispatch refers to the losses sustained by the Inniskillings May 10 in supposition concerning General on while unsaddling their horses, having increase of wages. white flag was flying from it.

WOMEN FOR HOME DEFENSE

Three Hundred and Fifty at Pretoria Ask for Arms and Ammunition.

PRETORIA, Saturday, May 14 .- (Via Lourenzo Marquez.)-A war bulletin has been issued here announcing that the British re advancing against the federals at Helpmakaar and Tonder's Nek. The burghers this morning attacked Ma-

The telegraphist at Malopo says that a 6 o'clock today and that the "Kaffir location" vas in flames within an hour and was to-Boers the end of the war will come in a tally destroyed. At 10 o'clock, he adds, a state court against the company on a pol- under the Harrison administration. He was

everything was quieter. me, said that if the burghers were pressed held yesterday it was resolved to ask the government for arms and ammunition and suggest that they do the work of the men "ought to be fighting at the from."

The Volkstem asserts that the British prisoners in the hands of the Boers will

Escaped Prisoners Captured. EMPORIA, Kan., May 14.—Sheriff O'Conor and a posse of farmers today capture. F. Estelle and James Murphy, the pri E. F. Estelle and James Murphy, the prisoners who escaped from Maryville and who shot and killed Denuty Marshal Roberts at Dunlap on Sunday. They were found asleep in the woods. Murphy surrendered at once, but Estelle started to run and was shot in the legs. A crowd of several hundred men surrounded the fall when the prisoners were brought here, but they are under a strong guard and no trouble is expected.

Firebugs at Duluth. DULUTH, May 14-A desperate effort was made to burn the business portion of he city tonight. Some unknown incentiary started five fires in less than two lours, burning one man and five horses to leath and endangering over \$20.00 worth of property. In a livery stable John Larson, a saloon attache was burned to death and five horses owned by the Hamm Brewing commany were burned.

to this.

One St. Louis Street Car System Now in Peaceful Operation. pyright, 1900, by Press Publishing Co.)

CITIZENS' COMMITTEE TAKES A HAND

Every Indication that an Amicable Adjustment Will Occur-Governor's Statement Surprises Strikers -Little Disorder.

ST. LOUIS, May 14.—At a conference held Bristow will assume these duties does not between the officials of the Suburban Rail- necessarily indicate that Rathbone will be arf, yet is aiding and encouraging the worst sit system, and the officeals of the employes is vouchsafed.

The duke has already paid the penalty of tion until arbitration settles differences. taying fallen under the ban of social ference held this afternoon of the officials doing in the postal affairs of either the The house bill, which has been substituted homeless there tonight matters were adjusting themselves for a settlement of the difficulty when a member of the citizens' committee injected into the proceedings a proposition of such a char- manner. acter that the discussion was brought to a close with matters no nearer a settlement than had heretofore existed. It is thought, however, that a future meeting of the same parties will result in determining a basis

for a settlement of the strike, The Suburban company had no difficulty in maintaining a thorough running schedule today and there were no demonstrations on that line. On the Transit company's system there were a number of demonstrationsmore noisy than otherwise. In one instance the police were obliged to charge on a crowd KRUGER'S REPLY TO ROBERTS of strike sympathizers to disperse it and in a number of instances used the flat side of their sabers in accomplishing their purpose. No casualties of a serious nature were re-

ported during the day. Late in the afternoon rumors of an emphatic nature as to a settlement of the tranoffice has published a dispatch from Lord eit company's strike received currency. So the positive statement that the strike on this system had been amicably settled.

Truce Between Organizations. PHILADELPHIA, May 14.-The third week of the strike of men employed in the penters and Joiners, the two organizations of workmen that have been at odds since a the Transvaal said it was prevalent among few days after the beginning of the strike. tiations between the unions. Out of the 10,000 strikers this will return 1,000 to

> there ployers have signed the scale. About 400 linemen employed by the Bell companies of the city struck today for a be arrested as soon as their services can be

Nonunion Man Injured.

CHICAGO, May 14.—Several workmen were injured in a fight which took place today in front of a building in course of construction at 20 Seeley avenue. A riot call was turned , crowd scattered, leaving M. L. Brown. a nonunion iron worker, on the ground suffering from a wound in the head. He was removed to the hospital, but the police were unable to make any arrests. Half a dozen and scraps of iron, but left the scene unassisted. The trouble arose over the em-

Kansas City Strikers Parade. KANSAS CITY, May 14 .- The street railway strike here was devoid of exciting inciabout 200, paraded the streets with a brass band this afternoon, appearing on the streets a permit for the parade and an appeal to

Mayor Reed had been resorted to, the mayor

No Increase for Freight Handlers. BUFFALO, N. Y., May 14.-The general superintendent of both the Erie and New York Central railroads in New York have made public immediately on its receipt. No the detailed dispatches of the Associated absolutely refused to treat with the striking word had come to hand at midnight. The Press Saturday last. The troops were fired freight handlers here on the subject of an

DES MOINES COMPANY BARRED

Life Insurance Concern is Charged with Violating the Law in Illinois.

SPRINGFIELD, III., May 14.-Superintend. ent of Insurance Van Cleave today revoked the license of the Des Moines Life Insurance companies granted a license in Illinois to matter. As yet it is impossible to say of sign an agreement not to transfer any suit how many persons will be implicated. to the United States court. The Des Moines | WASHINGTON, aMy 14.-Edward Thompalleged, by bringing suit in the federal court is one of the best known men in Indianheavy rifle and cannon fire was heard before at Peoria and securing an injunction re- apolis, where he stood high in general estistraining Mrs. Jane Montgomery of Rock mation. He served for twenty years in the Island county from bringing any action in Indianapolis postoffice and was postmaster icy of \$5,000 issued to her husband, Robert assistant postmaster for some years prior At a meeting of 350 Afrikander women 8. Montgomery, now deceased, on the ground to the Cleveland administration, which rethat false statements were made by Mont- tained him in the postoffice in a subordinate gomery in his application.

BECKHAM SOLDIER IS KILLED

An Intoxicated Comrade at Frankfort Shoots Him-Says It Was an Accident.

FRANKFORT, Ky., May 14 .- Private Thomas Kane of exington was shot and instantly killed by Private James Robertson late this afternoon. Both were members of the Beckham militia and the shooting look place on the second floor of the court house, which is being used as an armory. Robertson was drunk and claims that his Thursday. gun was discharged accidentally. Kane was n an adjoining room lying on his cot and Movements of Ocean Vessels, May 14. the ball passed through a pine wall, striking him.

Attempt to Murder Priest.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., May 14.-An altempt was made today to assassinate Rev. Father klonowski, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic church of this city.

The priest was called out about midnight on the plea of visiting a sick man. Arrangements apparently had been made to ambush him on the road, but he discovered the danger and fled. He had scarrely reached his house when a bullet was fired through the window striking the well. house when a bullet was fired Francis he window, striking the wall. At Ch within an inch of his head.

such is the Interpretation of the Appointment of the Senate Adopts the House Measure Without Any Change in Its Provisions. WASHINGTON, May 14.-Postmaster

General Smith, after a protracted interview with the president, today announced that MEANS MUCH TO WESTERN SETTLERS Joseph L. Bristow, fourth assistant post-

master general, will proceed to Havana next Wednesday to take charge of postal Relieves Them of Millions of Dollars affairs of the island. The postmaster genof Obligations to the Government eral declined to say whether or not Director on Account of Their

Farms.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 14.-(Special Telegram.)-The passage of the free homes way company, the only system in St. Louis relieved of all connection with the service, bill late this afternoon by the senate is the that Croker claims the hospitality of an not controlled by the St. Louis Transit com- Bristow outranks the director of Cuban culmination of continuous agitation on the part of Delegate Dennis Flynn of Oklahoma, ry gentleman, runs race horses on English ten days prior to that declared on the Tran- ordinate, though on this point no statement Representatives Eddy of Minnesota and Gamble of South Dakota and other northwestern England's enemics. Croker's position is on that road, an amicable adjustment was The letter directing the fourth areistant congressmen for the last eight years. Den- yards of the C. H. Worcester company at GOVERNMENT BONDS ARE NOT EXEMPT practically on all fours with that of the effected and the men will return to work to proceed to Cuba is dated May 12. Bristow his Flynn has strenuously fought for the Fisher, Mich., twenty-eight miles west of Duke of Orleans, except that it perhaps does tomorrow morning. On just what basis the will remain in Cuba during the pending in- measure until he has been looked upon as a here, at noon today, and fonight the town is not carry that taint of personal uncleanliness strike was settled could not be learned at vestigation, probably until the service is visionary enthusiast, but tonight he is the in ruins. A high westerly wind prevailed, which made his highness of Orleans unfit to 0:30 o'clock tonight, but it can be positively reorganized. In any event he will have su-happiest man in Washington. Senator Fettiacanciate with respectable fellow creatures, stated that the union receives ful recogni- pervision of the postoffice inspectors con- grew of South Dakota, who has endeavored sured. The Worcester company of Chicago, ducting the examination and his transfer to to make political capital out of the meas- which owned almost everything in the place. In many quarters it is figured that the set. Havana will bring him into closer touch with ure, arrived in Washington in time to see is the heaviest loser. The fire started in the the strike on the Suburban their operations.

The republican senate pass the bill which he presages an adjustment of the difficulties. Further than the announcement that Bris- has been endeavoring to father for a num-short time the big saw mill, planing mill. the republican senate pass the bill which he the lumber yard early this morning and in a

> of the Transit company, the chairman of the Philippines of Porto Rico. In Porto Rico for Pettigrew's bill, was called up by Senator Bristow was appainted fourth assistant at 900,000 from the people of Oklahoma, \$2.years resided in Kansas, from which state Nebraska who settled on the Ponca reserva- none of the cases are believed to be fatal. he was appointed. He had been engaged in tion in that state. Minnesota, North Dakota, newspaper work and for a time was secretary to Governor Morrill of Kansas. Chief also affected, in some instances more, in Clerk Merritt O. Chance will be acting others less than figures given above,

Populists Are Unsatisfied.

Returning pilgrims from the populist Respecting rumors that similar irregularishrine at Sioux Falls confirm The Bee's story iles to those developed in Cuba have occurred in the other insular possessions over that Bryan had outlined a plan of action for which military jurisdiction has been ex- their guidance, but had slipped up on gettended, it is declared positively at the War ting a man who would withdraw in favor of department that while the inspectors have the Kansas City vice presidential nominee. been working constantly to improve the Congressman Sutherland says that the conadministrative service they have not found vention was very harmonious after the nomination of Mr. Towne, the feeling being that he should stay on the ticket to the end. He expressed the hope that Towne would be the GREAT EXTENT OF FRAUDS choice of the democrats and says he understood that the Michigan democracy had en-Seem to Have Ramified Throughout dorsed him. Senator Heitfeld of Idaho said that he heard but one opinion expressed at Sioux Falls after Towne's nomination and that was he should stick.

HAVANA, May 14.-The extent of the pos-"I thought the nomination of a vice presital frauds is far greater than originally ex- dent poor politics, but when the nomination pected. Besides taking in the Postal depart- was made I buried my objections and am for ment the frauds seem to include the local the ticket." said the sagebrush senator.

office at Havana and various other offices. The nomination of Towne is not seriously throughout the island, and also to have ex- taken by the democrats, for a scheme has tended to outside points which have been been hatched in the last few days which, if used for the sale of some of the old issue successfully worked, as is now hoped, may result favorably to the Bourbons. Admiral The result of the investigation at the lo- Schley is to be nominated for vice president cal postoffice is the suspension of Postmaster at Kansas City in order to hold Maryland Thompson, who was installed in April of and New York in line. Bryan and Schley 10.000 strikers this will return 1,000 to last year. He will remain at his own house electors are to be put up in democratic work.

The strike situation between the employfor the present. Moya and mascard, stamp
ers and the men remain the same. The men sellers in the main office, have also been arplacated This three ring circus is said to As many as six others have been placed might be reasonable ground for suspicion About 400 linemen employed by the Bell As many as six others have been placed be the product of Jones of Arkansas. Butthat they would try to escape, adding that Telephone company and the electric light under the closest supervision and they will ler. Pettigrew and ex-Senator Dubols of spared. As a matter of fact if they were

Idaho, who is in the field to succeed Shoup. Missouri River Appropriation.

all to be suddenly relieved of duty it would not be possible to carry on the postal depart-The commerce committee of the senate ment of Havans. Reeves and Reynolds, the today reported favorably Senator Thurston's auditors of the Postal department, are still amendment to the sundry civil bill approunder arrest at their own rooms, in charge printing \$250,000 for the Missouri river comin and upon the arrival of the police the of detectives. Special quarters will, however, mission, but amending the amendment by be prepared in some fortress where all the striking out the appropriation for Rulo and "KROONSTAD, Sunday, May 13.—There others received wounds from flying bricks dark and consequently these new features to mention Nebraska City, especially as that no one knows who may be the next to be objection to having the place indicated, but the amount desired, \$100,000, is entirely E. G. Rathbone desires the Associated too much, if only an appropriation of \$250,000 and there was a very warm debate. Press to say there is no truth in the report | could be obtained. Senator Vest, who had circulated in the United States that there charge of the matter in committee, agreed is friction between the military authorities with President Stickney and the amount

contrary the most complete harmony pre- was knocked out. vails between General Wood and himselr. consultations taking place between them the house today carries an appropriation was entirely distinct. daily. He also says he does not consider of \$3.849 for the widow of the late William it proper under present circumstances to L. Greene, congressman from the Sixth Neso answered all applications for personal \$1,200 on account,

Congressman Neville introduced a bill to

to \$24 Senator Thurston introduced a bill for It appears that the frauds ramified in the relief of Lieutenant Richard H. Townley. most every possible direction, even the "junior grade," on the retired list of the the Hotel Manhattan. rented boxes having been made a source of navy. Lieutenant Townley is seeking reinillegitimate gain. Every additional revelastatement on the active list of the navy, havtion increases the amazement of the Amering been retired for disabilities incurred icans here. The Cubans seem to be imduring the Spanish-Amrican war from mensely pleased. They declare that the which he is entirely recovered. Americans can no longer boast in Cuba of

First Lieutenant Pearl M. Shaffer, Thir their superior honesty when in government teenth United States infant"y, now on sick leave, is ordered to Fort Crook for duty. General Wood devotes several hours daily Congressman Gamble today secured the to postal affairs, hearing the reports of company of Des Moines, Ia., under the pro- special agents and conferring with Rathbone passage in the house of the bill modifying in London, England, which will be of much by the constitution is the same as the vision of the law which compels all of the and others having any knowledge of the th procedure with respect to the removal timber from forest reserves for mining. building and other purposes. The bill reduces to thirty days notice for such removal. company had violated that agreement, it is son, the suspended postmaster of Havana, sixty days now being required by law. In Lewis. cases of emergency, timber may be removed pold of Cincinnati, to the value of \$100 without notice on application to the secretary of the interior. Congressman Gamble and Burke recommended Mrs. C. Chiles for postmistress at

Westport, S. D. capacity. He served in the civil war in

National Bank News.

General Harrison's command. He was appointed postmaster at Havana six months banks of Lincoln at the close of business on ago. The news of his suspension had not April 26 was today made public. Compared reached the White House up to a late hour with the statement in February the banks were not have increased individual deposits from \$1 .- to the United States after the wedding questioned there, as General Wood has been \$25,926 to \$1,856,829 and loans and discounts trip, on which they are now journeying and geographical uniformity, inasmuch as testagiven a free hand in the investigation not from \$1.696,913 to \$1.697.084. The average which will extend through much of England only of Cuban affairs generally, but of postal reserve is now 35.99 per cent against 25.96 and Africa. per cent in February. Present holdings of gold coin aggregate \$66.765, a decline of about \$50,000 since February. MUNCIE. Ind., May 14.-Charles F. W. The First National bank of Omaha and the Neely departed for New York late this after-

Phoenix National bank of New York were approved as reserve agents for the First National bank of Humphrey, Neb.; Merchants' National bank, Chicago, for the Merchants' National bank of Nebraska City; Continental National bank, Chicago, for Pender National bank of New York for First National bank, St. Edward; New American National bank, Chicago, for Anardous Chicago, for Chicago, for Anardous Chicago, for Anard nal bank of Humphrey, Neb.; Merchants' | 000,000 York-Arrived-Furnessia, from National bank, Chicago, for Pender National Glasgow. At Southampton-Arrived-Kalser Wil-helm der Grosse, from New York for Bremen-Arrived-Koenigen Luise, mosa (Ia.) National bank: Citizens' National New York, via Cherbourg.
Glasgow-Arrived, 12th-City of Rome,
New York.

Chicago, for First National bank, Crystal Chicago, for First National bank, Crystal Antwerp-Arrived-Noordland, from Lake, la., and Western National bank, New York, for National bank of Decorah, Ia.

At Naples-Sailed, 11th-Kutser Wilhelm
II. for New York.
At Auckland-Sailed-Manila, for San master at Dunreath, Monroe county, 1a. At Cherbourg Sailed, 13th-Bremen, from Riso P. A. Declark of Bighorn, Sheridan will Bremen for New York.

Forecast for Nebruska-Showers; Cooler; Variable Winds.

Temperature at Omaha yesterday: Hour. Deg. 1 p. m..... 80 2 p. m..... 74 3 p. m..... 61 Hour. Deg. 5 s. m..... 72 p. m p. m.....

TOWN WIPED OUT BY FIRE

9 p. m

12 m..... 79

Two Hundred People Homeless on the Site of a Michigan Lumber Town.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 14 .- A Sentinel special from Marinet, Mich., says: Fire started in the big lumber and cedar

Mayor Utke in response to a telegram for employes' grievance committee and some of the director of posts, Captain Elliott, is a Nelson immediately after the final vote had assistance sent a fire engine, hose carr and plicability of the state inheritance tax law the members of the citizens' committee, retired haval officer. He had had no ex- been taken on the naval appropriation bill, a brigade of fire fighters to help the stricken perience in postal affairs and it was feared but without a single objection was declared town. Everything in the town was burned that he might make some mistake, but the passed, Senator Pettigrow watching its leg- except two dwellings, the company's store whole system was conducted in an examplary islative handling without a word. The and the depot. The plant of the C. H. Wormanner. passage of the bill means the lifting of \$10,- cester company will be rebuilt, as the company owns a large amount of timber land the beginning of the present administration. 500,000 from the people of South Dakota and in that vicinity. Many persons are reported He is a native of Kentucky, but for many approximately \$500,000 from the people of to have been more or less burned, though

ings were to ashes. Two hundred people are

ADMIRAL IS AT KNOXVILLE

Dewey and Party Given a Grand Parade After One Day's Rest.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., May 14 .- After a day of the city, appeared in a grand parade in this city today. The parade was particlpated in by militia of East Tennessee, secret societies, labor organizations, city officials down by Justice White covered the case of and members of various professions. At Eben J. Knowlton and Thomas A. Buffum. the court house Admiral Dewey reviewed executors of Edwin F. Knowlton, brought the parade and later was introduced by W. here from the eastern district of New York. B. Lockett, president of the Chamber of The opinion of the circuit court was adverse Commerce, when Mayor S. G. Heiskell ex- to the validity of the law and accordingly tended him a formal welcome to the city, it was reversed. The opinion is a very Adimral Dewey's reply was brief. Admiral voluminous one and discusses exhaustively and Mrs. Dewey made a tour of the schools every phase of the law. Referring to the and colleges of the city, where they received "progressive" feature of the act Justice ovations.

Tonight a public reception was held in no new subject of taxation. Admiral Dewey has taken much interest in greesive rate." this feature of his visit here and says it is

Reception Committee Members Quarrel About he True Purposes of the Committee.

NEW YORK, May 14.- The citizens' committee for the reception of the Boer delegates met today at the Hotel Manhattan. The meeting was marred by a difference of opinion. Patrick Egan, former minister to prisoners connected with the frauds will be eliminating Nebraska City. This action was Chili, attacked George Van Sicklen for havtaken on the suggestion of Colonel Stickney, ing, as he said, been responsible for the Today's arrests and the suspension of president of the commission, who is in the circulation of false reports as to the true property as aforesaid relates to the sum of Thompson did not take place until after city. Colonel Stickney stated it was useless purposes of the committee. As to the ob- each legacy or distributive share considered jects of this reception, the committee was separately, it follows that all legacies below of the case are not generally known through- place is included in the systematic care of the not eleemosynary, to help the widows in the \$10,000 are not taxed and that those above out the city this evening, but there is a river, but as new work would have to be Dutch republic, but to aid in developing a that amount are taxed primarily by the deployment of some nonunion men on the continual excitement at the postoffice, where done at Rulo he thought there would be no sentiment for the preservation of the independence of those republics. This attack ified in the five classifications contained in was echoed by a number of other speakers the statute and that the rate of tax is Van Sicklen denied being responsible for

the reports in question and he declared, if it The general deficiency bill which passed dated the reception committee and its work

There was some further discussion as to the future procedure and it was announced direct tax within the meaning of the constigive out interviews for publication and has braska district. Mrs. Greene has received that when the Massdam arrives a committee tution, but a duty or an excise tax. will go down the bay on a revenue cutter to receive the delegates. This committee in-

> When the ship arrives at Hoboken the delegates will be escorted in carriages to

aels.

Leopold is a surprise to

Friends.

SPRINGFIELD, O., May 14 .- (Special Telegram.)-A wedding took place May 1 interest in several cities of the United States and particularly in Cincinnati and Omaha, Neb. The bride, a prominent young woman of the latter city, was Miss Ella The groom was Mr. Edward Leo-

Mr. Leopold spent a few years in business in Scattle and for the last six months has been in England. The bride and her mother. with a pair of friends, were on their way Beaver, S. D., and Mrs. Ruth H. Dennison to visit the Paris exposition and were joined by the groom, when the original plan the marriage taking place on Mr. Leopold's return to America next fall was The report of the condition of national changed to that of having the ceremony performed at once in London.

The groom is a musician of recognized talent. He and his bride expect to return

New Trust to Be Formed.

PITTSBURG, May 14.—Options have been aken on five of the largest steam-fitting taken on five of the largest steam-fitting and pipe-bending plants in the country and a combination will be formed under the name of the Pittsburg Valve and Construction company, with a capital of \$5.

country.

Welland Lock Case Begun.

witness had been examined when the erown attorney stated that the case was closed. The prisoners were committed for trial and will appear at the spring assizes before Chancellor Boyd next Tuesday, May 22.

and a number of economic writers contend that a propertionate one. In the absence of constitutional limitation the question is

Supreme Court of the United States Uphelds the Inheritance Tax.

UNIFORM AND JUST IN ITS OPERATION

Construction of the Statute by Justice White Full and Explicit.

APPLIES ONLY TO INDIVIDUAL LEGACIES

Estate as a Whole Not to Be Assessed as Such.

Taxation Inder the Law Cannot Be Evaded Because the Estate Consists of Issues of Federal Securities.

WASHINGTON, May 14.- The supreme court of the United States today announced opinions in the case arising under the inheritance tax provision of the war revenue act and also in a case involving the apof New York to estates composed of goverument bonds. There were five decisions under the federal law and one under the state law, but two of the former class applied, as did one of the latter class, to the taxation of government bonds. The court held that neither under the state nor the national enactment were national bonds exempt from taxation. The validity of the general federal law was affirmed, but it was held to be purely applicable to legacies, and not to the entire estates of deceased persons, the court holding that the tax is on the passing of legacies of distributive shares of personalty with a progressive rate on each determined by the sum of each of such legacies or distributive shares.

The decisions dealing with the federal law as a whole were handed down by Justice of rest from festivities Admiral and Mrs. as a whole were handed down by Justice Dewey and party, who are now the guests. White and those relating to government bonds by Justice Shiras.

Principal Point Covered. The principal decision in the list handed White said it was conclusive that it creates

the woman's building, after which there was "It simply provides," he said, "for the a banquet. Tomorrow morning the party progressive rates on the property mentioned will leave by steamer on the Tennessee river in the opening sentences, which is described for Low's Perry, thirteen miles west of exactly as it was in the act of 1864. Now, Knoxville, where they will visit the birth- as the act of 1864 taxed, not the whole eaplace of Admiral Farragut, under whom tate, but each particular legacy or distribu-Dewey served during the civil war. A tive share, the conclusion cannot be escaped marker of the birthplace will be unveiled that the present law does the same thing, by the admiral with appropriate ceremonies. except that there is added thereto a pro-

amount of a legacy, or the whole personal BOER DELEGATES ARE DUE estate, the conclusion being reached that it was not the intention to tax the entire ee tate, "but the separate and distinct sums of items of personal property passing." The conclusion then was announced that

Then he took up the question as to

the tax is "on the legacies and distributive shares, the rate being primarily determined by the classifications and being progressively increased according to the amount of the legacies or shares."

How the Tax is buid.

Continuing on this line the justice said: As the whole amount of such personal progressively increased by the amount of

each separate legacy or distributive share. "This being the correct interpretation of were necessary, he himself would sign a the statute, it follows that the court below here and the postal department. On the mentioned in Thurston's amendment for Rulo statement for publication to that effect. He crroneously maintained a contrary construcdeclared that his relief committee ante- tion and, therefore, the tax assessed and collected was for a larger amount than the um actually due by law." The decision held that the tax was not a

> On the point of "uniformity," as required by the constitution, Justice White said that

increase the pension of Ralph D. Parsons cludes Montagu White and P. Louter-Wes- the constitutional requirement was geographical, considering the text. He continued: "It is apparent that if the word 'uniform' means 'equal and uniform' in the sense now asserted by the opponents of the tax, the words 'throughout the United OMAHA GIRL WEDS IN LONDON states are deprived of the formula must hence States' are deprived of all real significance ead to a disregard of the elementary canon Marriage of Ella Lewis and Edward of construction, which requires that effect be given to each word of the constitution."

> How Uniformity is Secured. "One of the most satisfactory answers to the argument that the uniformity required equal and uniform clause which has since been embodied in so many of the state constitutions results from a review of the practice under the constitution from the beginning. From the very first congress down to the present date, in laying duties, imposts and excises, the rule of inherent uniformity, or in other words intrinsically equal and uniform taxes has been disregarded and the principle of geographical uniformity consistently enforced."

> On another point of uniformity he said: It is yet further asserted that the tax does not fulfill the requirements of geographical uniformity for the following reasons: As the primary rate of taxation deends upon the degree of relationship or want of relationship to a deceased person. it is argued that it cannot operate with mentary and intestacy laws may differ in every state. It is certain that the same degree of relationship or want of relationship to the deceased wherever existing is levied on at the same rate throughout the United States. The tax is hence uniform throughout the United States despite the fact that different conditions among the states may obtain as to the objects on which the

Progressive Tax is Just. With reference to the objections to the progressive feature of the law Justice White

"The review which we have made exhibits the fact that taxes imposed with reference to the ability of the person upon whom the burden is placed to bear the same have been levied from the foundation of the government. So also some authoritative thinkers

WELLAND, Ont., May 14.-After three dicurrements the preliminary hearing of