lonight that he had not received a word

and the reported murder of the Ministers,

Fuh Kien Quiet.

NEW YORK, July 13.-Rev. Dr. Leon ard, secretary of the Episcopal Mission

"Fuhkien quiet." This message was sent n answer to one cabled by Dr. Leonard

is one of the Southern provinces of China and there are Methodist missionaries

Still

there, including several women. Still further south is the District of Hing Hua, where there are Il Methodist missionaries, who also have headquarters at

Foo Chow. Out of this total number of 45, probably half a dozen are now in the United States.

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BLANKETERS DANCING.

Minnesota.

SOLWAY, Minn., July 18 .- Danger of outbreak by the Blanket Indians on

Red Lake is increasing. The Indian po-lice from the agency have gone out to the point where the Blanketers are still holding their war dance, and it is under-stood trouble will ensue. Bulletins have been posted in the Chippewa land agency, warning all friendly Indians and whites to remain away from the party or suffer the consequ

nted men left Solway late last night, and will proceed to the agency and take instructions from Indian Agent Mercer. The men are all well armed and carry each 1000 rounds of extra ammunition, which will be distributed among the settlers. A petition will be sent to Governor Lind, asking that a detachment of state troops be sent to Red Lake at

The Indians keep up their, war dances, and their shouts can be heard for three miles at frequent intervals. They distheir rifles in the air.

It is said that a large body of reds from the nerthern part of the state had joined forces with the Blanketern and small bands of Indians are joining the It is estimated that the entire force numbers over 200 at present. The squaws and papooses have been sent North, and only the young bucks remain at this point. The white settlers at are preparing for an tack. The Indians at the ugency have assured the whites of their assistan but it is thought that many of them are going over to the Blanketers, Nothing has been heard from Captain Mercer since big departure for the lake, and fears are entertained for his safety

Henrik Ibsen Seriously III. NEW YORK, July 12.-A dispatch from Christlania announces the serious illness of Henrik Ibsen from erysipelas.

FIRST WITNESS HEARD.

Danger of an Indian Outbreak in Jury Completed and Testimony Be gun in Caleb Powers' Trial.

> GEORGETOWN, Ky., July 12.-The jury was completed this morning in the case of Caleb Powers, ex-Secretary of State, charged with complicity in the Goebel shooting. The following are the jurors: W. O. Tinder, farmer, anti-Goebel Dem-ocrat: I. Z. Stone, farmer, anti-Goebel Democrat: A. W. Craig, merchant, Democrat; W. P. Munson, farmer, Democrat; W. H. Oldham, merchant, Democrat; George Murphy, farmer, Democrat J. H. Porter, farmer, Republican; Alonzo Kem-per, farmer, anti-Goebel; George B. Ford, farmer, Democrat; J. C. Grosthwalte, car-penter, Democrat; J. T. Mulberry, blacksmith. Democrat; Harris Musselman

Colonel Campbell, in stating the case for the prosecution, reviewed the political events of last Fall. Caleb Powers, he alleged, was the most aggressive among those who sought to settle the Guberna-torial contest by violence, and to him largely was due the importation of m tain "feudists" to Frankfort. He claimed that it will be put in evidence that January 28 Mr. Powers made use of a state-ment "that Mr. Goebel has not as many days to live as I have fingers on my

band. D. Meade Woodson, ex-City Engineer of Frankfort, who made the measurements by which the prosecution will attempt to prove that the shot was fired from Powers' office, was the first witness placed on the stand.

Robbers Caught in the Act. MARSHALL/TOWN, In., July II.—Four-men were caught in the act of robbing Mason & Whitehill's general store at State Center early today. A number of citizens surrounded the building, and a pitched bartle ensued. Ben -Whitehill. one of the proprietors was anot in the ed, and with one of his associates was captured. The other two escaped.

ALLIES DRIVEN BACK

Tien Tsin.

Li Hung Chang Will Remain at Canton Until the International Troops Have Defeated Tuan's Forces.

LONDON, July 14.—The scanty cable dispatches received today add nothing to the knowledge in London of the Chinese situation. It is stated positively from Canton that Li Hung Chang will remain there until the allied troops have defeated Prince Tuan's forces, and will then go north to lend his powerful add in arranging terms of peace co-operateign settlement, the incessant shooting rendering the neighborhood quite unten-

battle outside of Tien Tsin, the Cossacks captured six Krupp guns and killed numbers of fleeing Boxers. The Chinese lost 2000 killed, including General Kek.

Foreign Office.

as supply ships. At a meeting held here, at which were present a number of the highest poll-

nore can be accepted at present.

The situation in China begins to affect seman trade. Orders for railroad material for the German Shan Tung Railway have been cancelled. A number of needle factories in Westphalis have been The Foreign Office tonight denied en-ergetically to a representative of the Asciated Press a statement cabled from China to some newspapers that Baron von Ketteler caused his own death through his harsh treatment of the na-

ing Germany's alms in China is discussed by the press and is almost unanimously indorsed. The Berlin Neuste Nachrichten

The fitness and resolution with which Germany protects her interests and demands punishment for bloodshed will meet with great approval, as will also, in an equal measure, the Government's avoidance of all far-reaching plans of action which might result in infinite complications. German statesmanship makes the same statements in the point of Chi-na, accepted at the beginning a sound practical policy, free from the lust of conquest or annexation, but which will not permit the curtailment of its welleled interests or rights."

cumspect and awakens confidence. Count von Bulow's speech was without reserve, but also without passion. An over-wheiming majority of the nation will approve it and the letter is sure to make good impression abroad."

other powers."
The Voerwaerts notes that Count von

Bulow omits to mention "that Germany's policy in resisting Japan's offer to take a mandate from the powers thwarted the only possibility of giving the Ambassadors effective and immediate aid."

According to a semi-official telegram from Canton, flated Thursday, July 12. Li Hung Chang, July 6, received a writ-ten imperial edict, dated June 17, and sent overland, in which all the Governors were urged to dispatch troops with the utmost speed to help against the rebels, among whom Prince Tuan was clearly indicated. Acting on this edict, which is said to be undoubtedly genuine, La Hung Chang to sending some thousands of troops to Pekin and the Governors are probably doing the same

Must Communicate With Minister Pinchon at Pekin.

PARIS, July 11.-The Chinese Minister o guarantee communications between the foreign powers and their representatives at Pekin, and he has, therefore, charged the Chinese Minister to transmit a teleto M. Pinchon, the French Minister

THE IMPERIAL EDICT.

Nothing Heard of It From the Euro-

WASHINGTON, July 18,-Mr. Wu, the Chinese Minister, said that at the time the present crists, a copy of the docu been presented by the several Ministra before this time, but this may be due to delay in deciphering it in the code, which

was Chinese, and not the language of the country in which the Minister resides, Mr. Wu said tonight that no word has

Secretary Long stated at a late hour

during the day or evening from Admiral Remey, in command of the Asiatle station, now in Chinese waters. The fact that the Admiral has not made any report of the conditions said to exist in Pekin,

New Executive Committee Was Annonneed at a Conference Held in Cleveland Yesterday.

CLEVELAND, July 12.—In the office of Senator Hanna today the Republican Na-tional Executive Committee was selected some time ago, directing that all mis-sionaries should be called in from their posts if there was any danger. Fuh Kein

Henry C. Payne, Milwaukee, Wis., vice-chairman; Hon. Perry S. Heath, Muncle, Ind., sectetary; Hon. Cornellus, N. filles,

as handquarters in the Metropolitan Life Injurance Building, New York. Messrs. Payas and Stewart were instructed to look over the ground in Chicago, with a view to securing a location for the Na-tional committee in that city. It is expected the Chicago headquarters will be opened during the coming month. The committee, after considerable discussion, decided to maintain no special bureaus during the coming campaign. In 1896, a number of these, including negro, German and woman's bureaus, were operated as auxiliaries to the National headquarters. This work, will be assumed now by the officers of the several committees

A Quiet Day at Canton.

CANTON, O., July 13.—After the crush of people and the exciting incluents of Thursday, comparative quiet prevailed at the McKinley home today. During the forenoon a drive was taken to Meyer's Lake, the pretty Summer resort just outside the city. The President held the reins, and the other seats were occupied by Mrs. McKiniey, Mrs Day and Mrs. Dawes. Secretary Cortelyon, with sev-eral others, made up another driving par-

BIG TALK OF LEWIS

Victories in the West. SAYS HE IS OUT OF POLITICS

Predicts Sweeping Democratio

Republican Prospects in Nebraska

Not Injured by the Fusion Effected at Lincoln. WASHINGTON, July 18 .- James Hamil-

WASHINGTON, July 18.—James Hamilton Lewis is in Washington, proclaiming the election of Bryan, but announcing that he personally is out of politics, National and state, as far as holding offica is concerned. The turn-down he received at Kansas City evidently put a damper on his political aspirations, but he takes revenge by predicting that Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and even New York will go Democratic this Fall.

Bursting of the Nome Boom.

Bursting of the Nome Boom. Assistant Secretary Taylor, of the Treasury, has received a letter from a Brooklyn gentleman just returned from Cape Nome, in which the writer says that but few of the miners on the Nome beach are making day's wage, and that the beach is heavily overcrowded. He reports, after making extensive inquiries, that the beach, both above and relew Nome, is already worked out. The creeks are many of them rich in gold, but the incumbent cost of mining and extracting the gold is so great as to make the enterprise almost worthless. He confirms the reports of destitution and suffering due to the bursting of the boom and overcrowding of the country.

Outlook in Nebraska.

According to W. F. Gurley, chairman of the Nebraska delegation in the Philadelphia convention, the Republicans will have a fighting chance in Nebraska this Fall, and if they can effect the change of 4000 votes, will carry the state for McKinley. He says the fusion brought about yesterday does not after the situation, as it is the same fusion the Republicans. it is the same fusion the Republicans have faced heretofore. The failure of the Democrats to nominate Townstis regard-ed as rather weakening the Bryan cause in Nebraska, as the Populist element re-sents the slight.

Punching Census Returns. Director M-criam, of the Census Office, is straining every nerve to get the census

out on time this year, and will resort to a three-shift force, if need be, to have the work completed by December 1. Those who have observed the movements of Director Merriam since he took charge of the Census Office acknowledge that he is an efficient organizem and a systematic director. It must be acknowledged, also, that so far everything in the Census Of-fice is running smoothly and without hitch.

It must be understood that the great majority of the force now at work on the census returns are what are known as the "punchers," who are temporary employes of the office, taken on at \$50 a mouth. These punchers transfer to rec-ord cards the returns shown by the reord cards the returns shown by the reports of the enumerators. When this
sunching force was organized, it was understood that they would be retained at
their original salary, without chance of
promotion. It has since been determined
to promote those among them who manifest an especial proficiency, although all
will be required to attain a certain efficiency, each puncher being expected to
punch 700 cards in the course of a day.
Many of the more accommished have any of the mo reached a record far above that, and are making great holes in the returns of the enumerators. Those with the best records are being recognized for promotion, and some are taken from the punching machines and put to work at verifying and other branches of the work requiring

more skill and general fitness If any employe in the office shows a disposition to lofter, he is first called down, and a repetition of the offense re-sults in his dismissal. Likewise, inefficiency is dispensed with without ceremony, as there are now on the eligible list as many anxious aspirants as are on the rolls of the office. If the work continnes as it has started, there is no renson why the census should not be com-pleted by December 1.

Umatilia Indian School. The Indian Bureau has prepared plans and specifications for a new boarding

school to be erected on the Umatilia res-ervation, in Oregon. The school has been designed with a view to meeting the pres-End of the War Far Off.

NEW YORK, July 13.—A dispatch to 15 years. It is the intention of the department to make this a first-class boarding school, which, while not as large as many others, will be complete in every detail and thoroughly modern in equipment. There will be other improvements around the school and reservation, but as yet the plans for the entire improvement have not been completed. The water and sewerage system is to be repaired in places and replaced by new in others, and will be left in the very best condition. The school to be erected will be a two-story frame structure, designed especially for the Umatilla reservation, and intended meet the specific demands of the In-Other signs of Boer activity in so many as three points were convincing proofs that General Boths had not given up the ideas with regard to healthful and well-lighted schools have been incorporated, and every effort has been expended to secure a building which will be beyond criticism. It is hoped that bids may be submitted at an early day which will come mitted at an early day which will come within the allowance for the school building, and that work may be pushed to early completion. The building, when completed, will be 60 feet long by 35 feet deep, and will be nearly 60 feet high.

A RUNAWAY FREIGHT. Fruit for Oregon Strewn Along

Miles of Southern Pacific Track. REDDING, Cal., July 18.-Last night,

when a freight train bound for Oregon, drawn by two engines, was climbing the heavy grade above Upton, a coupling gave way, and 39 cars, loaded with fruit, started back. They passed through Sis-son seemingly at the rate of 70 miles an hour. Half a mile below Sisson is the Pioneer Box Factory. Here seven of the cars broke loose and pitched over an embankment. The others continued on their mad course. At Big Canyon, three miles below Sisson, the ranaway train again parted, some of the cars flying the track and being dashed to pieces. The other half dozen continued over a high trestle around a loop and finally shot off the rails below Mott, after running 10 miles. All the timbers are in splinters. nately, no trains were encountered by the

The north-bound California Express, which left here this morning, is detained at Dunsmuir, and the south-bound, which should go through here before noon to day, is at Sisson waiting for the track to be repaired.

Spain Not Interested.

MADRID, July 13.-Senor Silvela, the Spanish Premier, says that no Spanish war vessel will go to China, Spain having no interests to defend in the axtreme Orient

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POSITION IS BECOMING UNTENABLE

in arranging terms of peace, co-operat-ing with Prince Ching, Yung Lu and the other pro-foreign Viceroys. For the pres-ent Li Hung Chang considers that he can best control and direct the Vice-roys from Canton and also keep in check the turbulent Province of Kwang Tung. All the foreigners and missionaries have evacuated Wan Chau and have arrived at Ning Po. Large bodies of Boxers ap-peared at Wan Chau and threatened to exterminate the foreigners and Christians. also distributed banners, badges affammatory anti-foreign appeals. The Tien Tain correspondent of the Ex-press, telegraphing under date of July 9, asserts that the Chinese are daily driving in the allies. They have mounted, says the correspondent, 12 fresh guns in advantageous positions, with which they are vantageous positions, with which they are now keeping clear the streets of the for-

The Daily Mail's St. Petersburg corre ondent says that in the last six hours

OMINOUS OF DISASTER.

Lack of Chinese News at the German

BERLIN, July 11.-No Chinese advices have been received at the Foreign Office today, which fact is interpreted by the press as ominous of disastrous news in a few days. It is said that, a feeling of unrest reigns in Shan Tung because of the withdrawal of a part of the German troops from Take to Take Two man troops from Taku to Tsin Tau.

The German military expedition will carry one battery of 15-centime howitzers for the siege of Pekin. The Marine Min-ister intends to charter 20 or 40 ves-sels for China, many of them to be used

ticians, leading bankers and other per-sons of prominence, a society was organ-ized to collect money to provide physi-cians and nurses for the Chinese expe-dition. The offers of persons to serve as nurses have been so numerous that no more can be seconded. closed. A number of firms in Essen and Saxony complain that the position of af-fairs in China has injured their trade.

Count von Bulow's declaration regard-

The Vossische Zeitung says: "The Sec-retary's language is as energetic as cir-

a good impression abroad."

The Post expresses satisfaction that the aims of Germany and Russia are essentially identical and says: "The moderation of Germany in handling the Chinose question, it appears, would completely exclude the idea of conflict with

FRANCE ALSO DEMANDS IT.

here has communicated to M. Delcasse, Minister of Foreign Affairs, an imperial edict dated June 28. To this M. Delcasse has replied that since the Chinese Gov ernment has the means to communicate with its representatives abroad, it ought

penn Capitals.

he presented to Secretary Hay the imperial edict defining China's attitude in ment had been sent to the representatives of China stationed in each country whose Ministers are in Pekin. Some surprise is manifested here that the edict has not

Given Dick's Place by the National Committee.

WILL RESIGN THE POSTOFFICE JOB

ary Society, today received a cablegram from Rev. W. H. Macy, at Foo Chow. The message contained but two words:

M. A. Hanna, Cleveland, chairman; Hon.

Ind., secretary: Hon. Cornellus N. fillss, New York, treasurer; Hon. Graeme Stew-sard, Chicago: Hon. Richard C. Kerens, St. Louis; Hon. Joseph H. Manley, Augusta, to Washington last night. During the day

are helping the foreigners.

Pekin.

General Nich's Victory. BRUSSELS, July 11.-M. de Frabeau, finister of Foreign Affairs, has received Minister of Foreign Affairs, has received a telegram from M. de Carther Meissen,

Minister of the Beigian Legation at Pe-kin, dated Shanghal, stating, on the au-thority of a Chinese source, that troops faithful to General Nich had defeated the rebely near Pekin and they recog-General Lu, who tried to protect the Italy Will Send 5000. ROME, July 12.-A contingent of troops

The expeditionary corps will thus be raised to 5000 men. FIRE AT ST. PAUL.

for China will leave Naples July 18. Ac

cording to the Tribuna, a second contingent, which, like the first, which will be composed of two battallons, will be sent.

Eight Shingle Storehouses Were Destroyed.

PAUL July 13 .- Fire this afterdestroyed five large and three small buildings formerly used by the Chicago Grent Western Rallway as repair shops, at South Park, just dutside the city. About 300 carloads of shingles were burned. The loss is estimated at There was a high wind blowing, and the flames spread from the oilhouse to the adjoining buildings and freight cars, of which there was a great number in the yard. The blaze issted four hours. The shops had been used as storehouses by the Coast Shingle Com-pany, and 100 carloads of that product were in the buildings.

THE SOMERVILLE FIRE.

Particulars of the Oil Tank Explos ston in the Railroad Yards. NEW YORK, July II.—A special from Soston to the Herald says: By the explosion of an oll tank in Som-

erville last night nearly 100 persons were more or less injured, and early this morning two were reported dead. Many of the injured are in the Cambridge, Somerville and Massachusetts general hos-pitals, while others were taken to houses near the scene of the explosion.
In the yard of the Boston & Maine In the yard of the Boston & Maine Railroad, near the old McLean asylum, among more than 1000 freight cars filled with coal and general merchandise, were three oil tanks of the Union Oil Company. When one of the cars caught fire and made a blaze that could be seen all over Somerville, hundreds of people flocked to the yards. The Somerville firemen arrived promptly enough, but had to carry hose through all kinds of places, while the fire burned briskly and the crowd drew closer and closer. It is es-timated that soon after the fire started fully 1000 persons were in the freight yards, and scores of the most daring were on top of freight ears near the fire. Suddenly there was a rumbling noise. One great sheet of flame shot into the ur, and a huge off tank which had been on a car went up on end, scattering blazing oil in all directions. The hug tank of oil, one of three, on as many cars, had exploded. The burning oil fell upon men, women and children in the throng, who shricked with pain and terror. Six men on top of one box car were thrown to the ground with their clothing on fire. Men and women, with their garments burning, ran about the yard in terror. Some were so badly

ourned that they dropped. Those who were not on fire helped them, and were Meanwhile the railroad men were per forming acts of heroism. The oil tank which exploded was on a car between two others, and those were in danger of going up at any moment. A locomotive was backed in and started to draw out the train. A railroad man ran up, threw a heavy sleeper beneath the wheels of the burning tank, the coupling broke, the car stopped and the off tanks were sep-

Fifteen persons were taken to the So erville Hospital. Joseph Hayden, of En-gine Company No. 1, who was standing on

died early this morning. Fires at Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Pa., July 13.-Six coal and ice storebouses, three stables, a frame dwelling, a number of outbuildings and six Pennsylvania freight cars were destroyed by fire today at Sewickley, a suburb of Pittsburg, Samuel Woods, a stableman, was burned to death, and eight horses were cremated. The loss is

The Garland Chemical Works at Rankin. Pa., were burned at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon. The loss is \$100,000. The fire was caused by the explosion of a tank of chemicals, but no one was injured.

New Second Lieutenants. WASHINGTON, July 12.—The follow-ing enlisted men, who have rendered ex-cellent service in the ranks in the Phil-

ppines, have been given commissions as second Lieutenants: Sergeant-Major J. R. Blackburn, Forty-ninth Volunteer fantry: Commissary-Sergeant George W. Wilson. Thirty-sixth Volunteer Infantry; Battalion-Sergeant John A. Brown, Thirty-sixth Volunteer Infantry; First Ser geant Thomas Embry, Thirty-seventh Volunteer Infantry, and Battalion Ser-geant-Major Allen T. Crockett, Twenty-seventh Volunteer Infantry.

World's Christian Endeavor. LONDON, July 12.- The world's Christian Endeavor convention opened today with a general pillerimage to Wesley's today. Chapel, where praise meetings were held ship of the National committee until afthourly all day long. They were attended er he had frequently and personally ree congregations of Christian

deavor delegatos.

* Me.: Senator N. B. Scott, Wheeling, W. | a number of callers were received at the Va.: Hon. Frederick S. Gibbs, New York; McKinley home to pay their respects. Hon. Franklin Murphy, Elberon, N. J.; Hon. Harry S. New, Indianapolls, Ind. With the exception of Joseph H. Manley and Franklin Murphy, all the members of the committee were at the meeting this

PITH OF CHINESE NEWS FOR BUSY READERS.

But little has come through from the disturbed section of China. The

allies at Tien Tein may be forced to withdraw to Taku, as the Chinese

surround them in ever-increasing numbers, and pour in a deadly artillery

fire. Boxers are threatening the coast cities of Ning Po and Wan Chau,

rebels near Pekin and relieved Prince Ching and General Yung Lu, who

Shan Tung wires that the Boxers and soldiers were bombarding the Pe-

kin legations for a final attack July 7. A similar dispatch reached the

Chinese maritime customs office, in London. These contradict the rumor

message from Secretary Hay to United States Minister Conger, at Pekin,

and to have the answer brought back if Mr. Conger is alive. The message was prepared by Secretary Hay. It was sent to Shanghal with

explicit instructions from Wu to spare no efforts or expense to get it

through. France has also demanded communication with its Minister in

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Tuan's forces, when he will go north to arrange peace negotiations.

Chinese Minister Wu has undertaken to get through a cipher cable

in London that all foreigners in Pekin were murdered on the 6th,

General Nieh, the Belgian Foreign Office is informed, defeated the

Consul-General Goodnow, at Shanghal, reports that the Governor of

in the province in which Shanghai is situated.

Italy will send 5000 troops to China.

The two sessions of the committee to-The two sessions of the committee today were deveted mainly to selecting
headquarters for the campaign. The selection of an advisory committee, which
siled the executive committee in 1884,
was thoroughly considered. Senatar Hanna, stated that an advisory committee
would be composed of about 12 members
selected from quarters where there are
likely to be close contests between the
Republicans and Democrats.

Republicans and Democrats.

The committee work, as in 1886, will be carried on from the headquarters in New York and Chicago. The following mem-bers of the committee will be located at New York: Cornellus N. Bliss Joseph H. Manley, Senator Scott, Frederick S. Gibbs and Francis Murphy. Graeme Stewart, Henry C. Payne, R. C. Kerens and Harry S. New will be at the Chicago headquarters. Sensior Hanna will be at the New York headquarters continually from the latter part of this month until September 1. after which time he will divide his time between New York and Chicago. The resignation of General Dick, as sec

retary, was accepted, and Perry S. Heath was immediately unanimously nominated to succeed Dick. Myron T. Herrick, of Cleveland, was chosen for the vacancy on the National committee caused by the resignation of George B. Cox, of Cincinnati, The new executive committee this afternoon adopted the following resolutions in regard to General Dick's resignation as secretary to the National committee: "The National Republican Executive Committee received with sincere and deep regret the resignation of Hon. Charles F. Dick, secretary of the committee. The esignation comes as the result of his selection as chairman by the Ohio Repub-lican State Central Committee and the call of the party of the state to lead them in this important campaign is recognized as the desire of the Republican organization of the state. The Republican Naare sinder obligations to General Dick for ble services. In accepting this resignation the committee defers to the judgment of General Dick that he can best serve his party by devoting his entire time and energy to the party's interests in Ohio, the

In an interview this afternoon, First Assistant Postmaster-General Heath said to an Associated Press representative:
"The subject which culminated today n my selection as secretary of the Re ublican National Committee was first broached to me by Chairman Hanna, and was renewed with much earnestness and insistence at the Philadelphia convention. At first, I was very much averse to taking up this work, knowing what it meant in volume and character. President Mc-Kinley did not wish me to quit my position in the Postoffice Department. I was summoned from Malne Saturday last to go to Cleveland by Chairman Hanna, and requested to attend a meeting of the ex-ecutive committee here today. Here the subject was renewed, by all the members of the executive committee in such a personal and earnest manner that I consent-

me of the President."

ed to undertake the work. When asked as to his intentions respecting his resignation as First Assistant Postmuster-General, Mr. Heath said "At Canton yesterday I talked with the and will renew the subject with the Post-master-General Monday. My service with the committee, I presume, will be needed s soon as headquarters are opened, the

latter part of this month." Concerning Mr. Heath's resignation as First Assistant Postmaster-General, Mr. Hanna said today that in his conversation with the President at Canton, the mittes deemed it necessary for Mr. Heath to leave his position in the Postoffice Department, where he rendered such satisfactory service, and expressed the great-est confidence in and admiration for Mr Heath, both officially and personally. He also stated that the most cordial expressions in the same direction were made by Postmaster-General Smith, and that Mr. Heath did not accept the secretary-

sisted. The committee, late this afternoon, re- | Jersey,

NITRAL'S NEK AFFAIR. The Lincolnshires Lost Half Their Officers.

LONDON, July 13.-Lord Roberts has sent nothing further concerning the Nitralia Nek affair. Presorta dispatches, however, show that the Lincolnshires lost half their officers, including Colonel Roberts, who was wounded and taken prisoner. Stragglers continue to arrive at the camp, but few further details can be gathered. The British fought stubbornly until nightfall, when the cavalry turned their horses loose. The Boer report of the engagement places the British casutheir horses loose. The Boer report of the engagement places the British casu-

alties at over 300. In the Dordepoort affair, mentioned in Lord Roberts' dispatch, the men in the front rank of the Boers were khaki uniforms and helmets and the Dragoe passed them unsuspectingly, under the impression that they were Hussars. The mistake was not discovered until the Boers opened a heavy fire, when the Dragoons were 400 yards distant.

The prisoners who escaped to Kroon-stad report that General Dewet's force of 1000 men with large guns, expelled from Bethlehem by General Clements and General Paget, have taken up a standing po-attion four miles to the southward in the hills around Reteif Nek, President Steyn is reported to be with them.

Another case of the Boers wearing khaki is reported to have happened at Lindley, June 25, when they surprised a picket of 25 men of the Yorkshire Light Infantry, 18 of whom were killed or wounded.

the Tribune from London says: There was a feeling of deep chagrin toward midnight when the news spread in the lobbies of Parliament that Lord Roberts had reported a considerable Boer success, 18 miles from Pretoria, with the capture of a squadron of the Scots Greys and a part of five companies of the Lin-coinshire Regiment and two guns. This unexpected reverse at Nitral's Nek was a reproduction of Nicholson's Nek, not far from Lord Robert's headquarters, with the capture of guns and sharpshooters

of a crack regiment,

fight, and that the end of the war was a long way off, Lord Roberts' dispatch created a most painful impression. Commandant Grobler, who commanded the Federals at Nitral's Nek, had four March of Clery's Column. WITPOOL Transvaal, July 11.-General

Clery's column, which has moved east-erly, is now camped here. During the march the mounted infantry engaged 100 Boers, shelling a ridge occupied by the burghers. It is intimated that this move-ment will clear the country from Standerton to Heldelberg. The troops found but one remaining laager, from which the Boers retired hurrledly.

PARIS, July 13.-Inquiries are being nade into what may possibly turn out to be a serious attempt to destroy the grand palace of the Champs Elysce Wednesday night, A watchman of cellars which were filled with package cases and a large quantity of other inflammable material overheard a conversation bethat a plot was on foot to set fire to the building. The miscreants fied upon his approach. A search the next morning resulted in the discovery of two hermetically sealed boxes filled with black powder. The chemical properties of this

owder, have not yet been disclosed by the

Gunpowder Plot in Paris.

Held No Meeting

NEW YORK, July 13.—The report that the annual meeting of the Western Union Telegraph Company had been held in Jersey City yesterday and certain directors and officers had been elected, was entirely erroneous. The meeting referred to was a meeting of the stockholders of the American Union Telegraph Company, whose organisation is maintained in New