RICHES VANISHES

James Hamilton Was Long Shadowed.

MAY HAVE BEEN SHANGHAIED

Uncle is Duke of Abercorn. With No Sons.

BETROTHED TO HIS COUSIN

Remittance Man of Weak Nature Would Have Had Bride With Immense Estate - Strong Suspicion of Foul Play.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 11 - (Special.) -The mysterious disappearance of James Hamilton brings to light a remarkable story that involves two titled English families and a woman's pique, because of her fancies belief that her uncle had neglected her.

Young Hamilton is the son of Sir James and the French army. Hamilton, a Brigadier-General in the British army, who dropped dead in front of Queen Victoria while marching in parade it years ago. His uncle, formerly Lord Brooke, is now the Duke of Abercorn. The Countess of Warwick, poted as the most beautiful woman in Great Britain, is Hamilton's aunt.

According to two men who have known young Hamilton for years, he has long been shadowed by mysterious agents. Wiedemann and Arthur Game, who knew Hamilton and his history, say that men have been seen following him in Port Townsend, Scattle and even in Dawson, where he spent some time

There are reasons why Hamilton was not wanted in England, and these intimate friends connect his disappearance Tangier immediately. with this circumstance. They fear inhave been shanghaled,

Lived on a Remittance.

Hamilton is of a weak and dependent bountry. nature. He has lived for years on a \$1600 annual remittance sent him by the Duke of Abercorn, and despite the fact that he tried to make a fortune in Alaska, has been largely dependent upon friends to keep him out of trouble. He refused to make any purchases or to undertake any new venture without as-

Sir James Hamilton, the young man's father married a niece of ex-Mayor Grove, of Redding, California. English society did not take kindy to the match. and despite Sir James' standing in the was socially ostracized for a The Earl of Abercorn, then Lord Brooke, effected a reconciliation with his brother, and the Hamiltons were reinstated. Sir James was knighted for his brilliant work in the army.

Tragic Death of His Father. The tragic death of Sir James Hamilton

occurred 14 years ago. He was riding in a dead, almost at the feet of Queen Vic-

Soon thereafter Mrs. Hamilton and her son James came to this country. Mrs. Hamilton went to her uncle's home in California. She was possessed of some wealth, but unfortunate investments dissipated the money. A quarrel between the woman and the thep Mayor Grove resulted in an open break, and Mrs. Hamilton married Charles Slaughter, her uncle's coachman. He is half Indian, For two years after that marriage the couple and James Hamilton lived here, taking a flat on Terry avenue. Young Hamilton was then known as James Mc-Cruden.

Divorces Her Half-Breed Husband.

Eight years ago the three went to Alaska. Slaughter was for a time a steward on one of the boats running out of the Sound, while young Hamilton had varied career in the North. Finally Mrs. Hamilton-Slaughter obtained a civorce from the half-breed coachman in Dawson, and returned to London.

Young Hamilton was practically penniless when Arthur Game went to his relief in Dawson. Game is an Englishman who is thoroughly familiar with the history of titled English families, and he sympathised with young Hamilton. He paid the young man's passage to Seattle and they were living together here. Ham-Siton disappeared last week after making an engagement to meet two friends.

Betrothed to Earl's Daughter.

The disappearance of Hamilton is further complicated by the Earl of Abercorn's position. He is an aged man with no some and one daughter. His estate is estimated to be worth \$30,000,000. In their youth, young Hamilton and the girl were piedged to each other, and the marringe was sought to keep the title in the family. If Hamilton married the girl the title would descend to his son; otherwine it went outside the family entirely A younger brother of Hamilton, the only other in his family, died in China some time ago, whither he was sent because

of his bad habits. Hamilton had told his friends that he rould marry the Earl's daughter for family reasons, though his long separasion had cooled whatever love might have existed. His two friends here believe his disappearance may have some connection with the fact that he had determined to marry. But that is all speculation, for

spondent, but the drowning theory has

CRISIS IN NEGOTIATIONS Norway and Sweden Cannot Make

Terms on Disunion.

CHRISTIANIA, Sept. 11:- The tone of he Norwegian newspapers indicates that commissioners of Norway and Sweden, regarding the dissolution of the union, have reported an empasse, Norway being unable to accept the conditions laid down by Sweden.

LOUBET WELCOMES CHAFFEE

Brilliant Gathering of Foreign Army IS NO LONGER A SECRET Officers at Banquet.

GHATEAU BRIENNE, Department of the Aube, France, Sept. 11 .- President Loubet arrived on the field of maneuvers today, and was given a notable welcome by the assembled Generals and troops At Ville Hardouin, President Loubet en stered Lieutenant-General Adna R. Chaffee, Brigadier-General J. Franklin Bell, Brigadier-General William Crozler and their staffs. The Americans were presented to M. Loubet.

The maneuvers concluded with a brilliant banquet, at which President Loubet presided. M. Casimir-Perier, ex-President of the Republic, sat at the President's right and Lieutenant-General Chaffee at his left.

President Loubet, in proposing a toust to the heads of the states represented at the hanquet, assured the foreign officers that their presence was heartly welcomed by the army and people of France. Minister Berteaux, in behalf of the French army, thanked the representatives of the foreign powers for their attendance at the maneuvers, making special refer-ence to the presence of the American

Lieutenant-General Chaffee, in behalf of the President of the United States and desired. the American army, gave expression is their hearty recognition of the splendid reception which had been accorded the rican mission by President Loubet

TRIBES FIGHTING IN MOROCCO

Unsafe Abode.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.-The following cablegram has been received at the State Department from American Minister Gummere, dated at Tangier, today:

The tribes are fighting in the immediate neighborhood of Tangler, the Anghera vs. Raisull's tribe. The government is undecided in its position and the situation is entrely uncomfortable. A joint protect is being made by the diplomatic corps to the Minister of Poregn Affairs. Have been informed that the mountains are unsafe and am returning to

It apears that Mr. Gummere has stead of committing suicide that he may deased the beautiful residence formerly occupied by Ion Perdicaris, which was the scene of his kidnaping by Raisuli, and is situated some distance in the

frage Scheme to Break Opposition.

VIENNA, Sent II -- All hope of peace between the crown and the united opposition in the Hungarian Diet seems to have come to an end. It is understood that Emperor Francis Joseph, who at first was apparently inclined to acquiesce in the plan of the Hungarian Ministers for the granting of universal suffrage as one way of bringing about the defeat of the united opposition, has been induced to change his mind by the Austrian Min-isters, who feared the effect on political conditions in Austria, if universal suffrage should be granted to the Hungarian

Government Wins Spanish Election. MADRID, Sept. 11 .- The result of the parade when a blood vessel near his Legislative elections held yesterday, heart was ruptured and the General fell are not yet definite. Republican gains are indicated. The Monarchists have carried Madrid and the Republicans have carried Barcelona and Valencia. The elections assure the government an important majority in the next The results are 140 Ministerlalists elected, 64 Conservatives, 23 Republicans, 6 Independents and three Carlists. There were many election disorders, during one of which a girl was

> MADRID, Sept. 12.-The latest resuits of the legislative elections are as follows: Ministerialists elected, 231; Conservatives, 184; Republicans, 21; Villaverdists, 12; Regentists, 7; Carlists, 3; Integrists, 2, and Independ-3; Integrists, 2, and Independ-3. The results in eight departents, 3. ments are not yet known,

> More Money to Buy Out Landlords. LONDON, Sept. 11.-Walter Hume Long, Chief Secretary for Ireland, announce that the treasury has agreed to provide additional funds amounting to \$10,000,000 before the end of the year, together with such an amount of stock during the year 1966 as will produce \$50,000,000 cash to facilitate the operations of the Irish land act, and to remedy the recent stoppage of sales of land through inability to advance the purchase money owing to lack of

German Discount Rate Raised.

BERLIN, Sept. 11.-The rate of dis count of the Imperial Bank of Germany was raised from \$ to 4 per cent today. The controlling reason was the compar-ative weakness of the status of the bank, owing to the heavy demands of industry trade and to speculation

Killed in Climbing Himelayas. HERNE, Switzerland, Sept. 11 .- A tele-

gram was received today from the Swiss expedition which is attempting to reach the summit of the Western Himnlayse, saying that Lieutenant Backe has been crushed by an avalanche, and that the expedition is returning.

Stranded Cruiser Floated.

SINGAPORE, Straits Settlement, Sept 11.—The German protected cruiser See Adler, which ran on the Kent rocks, 12 miles from here, has been refloated. She sustained but little damage.

Special Police for Barcelona.

preserved His two friends here believe his appearance may have some connection in the fact that he had determined to be fact that he had determined to of the Interior to organize a body of speciew has been found. He was delight in Barcelona.

PORTLAND, OREGON, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1905.

Northern Pacific Preparing to Build on the River's North Bank.

When Line of Steamers Were Acquired It Was Done Through an Eastern Banking House for Obvious Reasons.

Gentlemen's agreements have been wafted to the winds and evidence is abundant that the Northern Pacific broke away from the time-honored agreement between that company and Northwest territory when the Columbig River & Northern Railway and Regulator line of steamers were acquired by the Northern. Secrecy was maintained then as to the actual purchaser, the deal having been consummated through an Eastern bankinghouse, because affairs had not reached the point where publicity was to be

Breaking of Compact.

While both were secretly violating terms of the compact that prevented the Northern invading Columbia River territory and prevented the Harriman lines extending to Puget Sound or elsewhere not already traversed by American Minister Finds Mountains tracks of the system in Washington. and was successful in completely preventing development of Western and Central Oregon, each continued, and still continues, in the pretense of re- pletion its iong-deferred plans, ligiously observing the agreement.

Had announcement been made sever al months ago that the Northern Pacific had entered into competition in the river traffic of the Columbia It would have been possible for the Hariman lines to demand immediate surrender of the boats or their discontinuance in the traffic. However, so long as the directing hand remains concealed, all of the suspicions that may be aroused are groundless as a basis of action.

Just now, many months after the purchase the necessity of the leasts and the railway from Lyle to Golden-PEACE HOPELESS IN HUNGARY dale becomes apparent-the railway as a link in the connection between the main line at Kennewick and the boats Emperor Abandons Universal Suf- to carry supplies to the different sections in which construction will be prosecuted along the great waterway

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It has been a long and tedious task for officials of the Northern Pacific o get everything in readiness, and here have been obstacles almost as difficult to overcome as the basaltic col-umns of Cape Horn or the precipitous cliffs that must be pierced for many miles with the most expensive sort of construction. But the time has come when construction work is to be prosecuted and the new Columbia River line will be actually realized as quickly as the roadway can be created.

While it will require a great deal of time to build the new railroad line and opposition is already in sight from the rival Harriman system with its trackage on the Washington side at Cascade Locks, and the 109-foot rightof-way that engineers have been in structed to clear and grade, it is the expectation of Northern Pacific officials that the difficulty will be in completing bridges across the Colum-bia and Willamette rivers within the

same period.

There is still some uncertainty about the crossing of the Columbia, but it is practically decided that the Willamette shall be spanned with a bridge nigh enough that ships with tallest masts may pass below without inter-ference at any stage of water.

Reach High Ground by Grades.

It is absolutely feasible to ascend by gradual grade in crossing the peninsula, reaching the high ground be-tween University Park and St. Johns. the O. R. & N. concerning division of crossing thence to the west side of the river and then descending on easy grades to the present tracks at a point just below the Lewis and Clark Exposition grounds. Exhaustive engineering work has been done in that locality to determine the possible gradients and easy curvature. United States engineers have expressed their opposition to any more drawbridges below the point of navigation for large vessels, and that is one consid-eration, but on the other hand, the railroad officials desire to avoid the nces and anoyances of using a drawbridge.

Tremendous interest has been aroused on the Washington side of the river by reports of the bringing in of workmen and supplies to begin the actual work of building the railroad. Railroad officials generally are reticent concerning the secret movements of the respective companies, but all admit that the Northern Pacific is in readiness to successfully carry to com-

Tucoma Makes Denial.

TACOMA, Sept. 11.-Relative to the dispatch from Portland, Northern Pacific officials here deny that Third Vice-President Levey and Chief Engineer E. J. Pearson are at Vancouver, Wash.

MORTON TELLS HIS POLICY

WILL RUN EQUITABLE IN POL-ICY-HOLDERS INTEREST.

Buy Securities in Open Market and Support Legal Safeguards--Has Saved \$600,000 a Year.

NEW YORK, Sept. II .- President Paul Morton outlined the policy of the new management of the Equitable Life Assurance Society in an address which he delivered at Manhattan Beach today to 76 agents of the society, who came from different parts of the country. After briefly reviewing recent events in the Equitable, Mr. Morton said:

Equitable, Mr. Morton said:

I am going to say a few words to you on your new administration. There will be no attempt to make its darzingty brilliant. The effort will be to make it honest, courageous and conservative. There will be the greatest consideration for the policy-holders and at every turn their interests will be protected. All of the new directors are policy-holders. Businessilke methods will prevail. The more economy of the right sort we can institute the more we can save to the policy-holders.

Investments will be of the highest character. The institution will not be run as an adjunct to any one or several banking houses. Every owner of securities will have a chance to deal with us, and our aim will be to buy the very best at the very lowest rices.

rices.

I believe in proper laws safeguarding the sacred trusts of insurance and I will coperate in the enactment of any necessary away with that end in view. We shall all work to put the business of life insurance in the elevated plane it ought to occupy. Retrenchments are the order of the day in he Equitable. They will amount to \$400,000 oer year, which is equal to 4 per cent on an avestment of \$15,000,000. They will amount a leaver sum before we are through I to a larger sum before we are through am sure that we will satisfy not only opolicy-holders and our own agents, but t many who will buy what we have to sell.

FOLK BOOM IS LAUNCHED

Utah Politician Proposes Governor of Missouri for President.

SALT LAKE CITY, Sept. 11.-Governor Joseph W. Folk, of Missouri, was recommended for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency by ex-Representative William H. King at a banquet given here tonight. The sentiment was warmly applauded, even by Governor John Cutler, of Utah; Senator Reed Smoot and other rominent Republicans present.

The Missouri party arrived in Salt Lake at 5 o'clock P. M. The delay of the train interfered with the programme, but the visitors saw the tabernacle and heard the great organ render "Dixie." Afterwards they were guests at an inform banquet served at the Alta Club and given by Governor Cutier. They left over the Short Line at 11:45 P. M. for Pbrt-

Skulls Fractured in Wreck. VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. II.-An Ottawa special says a Soo train ran into the rear-end of the eastbound Imperial Limited train at Hammond station, 23 miles east of Ottawa, at 6 A. M. today. The injured

are:
John Gaffney, engineer of the Soo train, back injured, fractured skuli, condition serious; L. Cole, colored porter, Detroit, serious internal injuries and left arm fractured; D. H. Cardwell, colored porter, Washington, D. C. fractured skull, condition serious; Mrs. Harriet Keene, Whiteman, Mass., face wounds; Mrs. James F. Fagan, San Francisco, slight infuries.

Arcanum Lodges Still Protest.

BOSTON, Sept. 11.-At a meeting toda by a special committee of E, representing the Royal Arcanum ledges of Boston and vicinity, the sentiment was unanimously in favor of making an organized resist-

Washington Supreme Court Decides Against Contention of Port Townsend.

IS UNANIMOUS

Bitter Feeling Was Engendered Among the State Officials. Governor's Letter Ignored by the Commission.

SUPREME COURT'S INTERPRETA-

TION OF "MUNICIPAL BONDS." The term, it seems to us, can admit of no other definition. Certainly it caninclude every form of obligation that the ingenuity of the Legislature might device and call municipal bonds; yet if bonds payable out of a special fund are such simply because a municipality is instrumental in creating that fund, this proposition must stand admitted. power of the Legislature to authorize the creation of special funds by municipalities, nor is there any limitations to create the special fund may be drawn Indeed, if bonds of the character here described are municipal bonds, there can be no form of obligation, either public or private, in which the Legislature might not, by the legerdemain of making it a municipal fund, lawfully au thorize the investment of the permanent school fund. Such was not the Intention of the constitution-makers, and we cannot so hold.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Sept. 11 .- (Special.)-The noted Port Townsend water bond controversy, involving directly the right of the state to invest its permanent school fund in bonds authorized by a municipality, but payable solely out of the proceeds of the public convenience, and involving indirectly a state officers' quarrel, was decided by the Supreme Court today. The decision upholds the State Auditor in refusing to issue a warrant for the first installment, \$150,000, of the bonds, after the State Land Commission had authorized their purchase.

The bonds are held by the Supreme Court not to be municipal bonds, within the meaning of the term as expressed in the constitutional provision limiting the investment of the school fund in National, state, county, municipal and school dis trict bonds.

The question of the propriety or safety considered by the court in its decision which rests entirely on the interpretation of the term "municipal bonds." opinion was prepared by Justice Fuller ton and concurred in by the entire cour

Bitterness in Controversy. The controversy over the purchase of the Port Townsend bonds was the cause of widespread discussion and not a little bitterness in the early part of the Summer. The State Land Commission, which has control of the investment of the school fund, was divided in the first in stance over the purchase of the bonds Secretary of State Nichols and School Superintendent Bryan, forming a majorty of the board, favoring the purchase after Attorney-General Atkinson had ap proved its legality, and Land Commissioner Ross, the other member, opposing

It was alleged by the two members favoring the purchase that Ross did not express open disapproval until after the formal vote had been taken, and the meeting adjourned. This created bitterness, and about the same time Governor Mead wrote a letter to the board protesting against the purchase, on the ground that the investment of the amount of \$350,000 would deplete the fund so that the state could not borrow from it to keep the general fund on a cash basis, and thus take care of the large Legislative appropriations.

The board ignored the letter, which aroused the Governor to more determined action, and caused the representatives of Port Townsend to accuse him openly of being actuated by political enmity toward Lieutenant-Governor Coon, who is Mayor of Port Townsend.

Governor Institutes Suit.

On behalf of the Governor, a sult was instituted in the Superior Court of Thurston County, in the name of H. D. Crawford, a newspaper publisher, to restrain the purchase by the state. This action was dismissed, on the ground that Craw ford, as a mere taxpayer, did not have sufficient interest at stake to maintain

By this time the State Treasurer George G. Mills, and the State Auditor, C. W. Claussen, were aligned with the them, and immediately following the decision in the Crawford case it was decided by them that the State Auditor should reuse to issue the warrant when the cer tificate of the proceedings of the State Land Board was submitted to him, with

the necessary vouchers. The refusal of the Auditor to act pu Port Townsend on the offensive, and the city applied directly to the Supreme Court for a writ of mandamus to compe the Auditor to act. This writ is denied by the Supreme Court in its decision to

Water System Not Affected. The decision of the court will not affect

the Port Townsend water system. The system is already in operation, and is supplying the city and the Government forts, Flagler and Worden. The pay-ments by the Government were considered the mainstays of the system, and a prac-

The contractors on the construction of the work have agreed to take the bonds at par, the issue to draw 56 per cent. The city, however, hung on, hoping to sell to the state, which would enable it to float the bonds at 3% per cent. The contractors will now take the bonds, and it is sald they have found a purchaser in Portland.

On the surface the bitterness over the controversy has greatly subsided, but it is believed that it will crop out in future political contests.

TALKS WITH ENGINEERS

President Entertains the Consulting Board and Defines Policy.

OYSTER BAY, Sept. II.—Members of the Board of Consulting Engineers of the Panama Canal took luncheon with President Roosevelt at Sagamore Hill today. The President received the members of the board in the handsome new trophy room, the presentations being made by General Davis. During the luncheon which followed immediately and at which Dr. Albert Shaw, editor of the Review of Reviews, and John Barrett, United States Minister to Colombia, also were guests, the discussion of canal matters was general, but informal.

At the conclusion of the luncheon the President made a brief but formal state-ment to the board, in which he outlined definitely the policy to be followed in the canal construction. That statement was not made public. The engineers remained in conference with the President until 3 o'clock, when they sailed for New York. The board will arrive in Washington tomorrow and resume its session there.

Canal Laborers From West Indies. COLON, Sept. II.-The Royal Mail steamer La Plata arrived here today, bringing 550 laborers from West Indian ports under contract for work on the canal. The majority of these were from Barbados. Several left the ship at Port Limon, apparently preferring Costa Rica to the Isthmus of Pansma.

About 500 persons under the direction of the health authorities are again fumi-gating every part of Colon.

ONE GAINS, ANOTHER LOSES Promotions in Navy Department Mean Reduction of Salaries.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—Very many employes of the Navy Department in Washington and in the various navyyards will be affected by the adoption of a new policy by the department respecting promotions, where the increases of salary heretofore have been paid out of the lump fund for increase of the Navy. It has been decided that hereafter expenditures on this ac-count shall not be increased and con-sequently, if employes are to be prosequently, if employes are to be prompted, that can be effected only by a readjustment of the salaries, which would involve corresponding reductions in the case of employes whose records for efficiency are not of the best. In other words, the best employes are to be promoted at the expense of the less efficient.

Noval dreftsmen we particularly affected by the adoption of this new polloy and by the fact that, owing to the standardization and specialization, there is less need for draftsmen of the

there is less need for draftsmen of the highest skill capable of original work.

Printers Will Go Out Wherever the Eight-Hour Rule Is Relected.

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 11.-The International Typographical Union committee and the committee from the Typothetae of this city failed to agree to an eighthour day at a conference held late today The local Typographical Union has or-dered all the members in this city to strike at once in every shop where the eight-hour day is not in effect. One hundred and fifty men are involved here President James Lynch, president of the International Typographical Union, said

"I have instructed unions in their respective cities to demand contracts im mediately for an eight-hour day, to com-mence January 1. Wherever the demand is refused, they have been instructed to

Freighthandlers Want More Pay.

CHICAGO, Sept. 11 .- Freightaandlers sent a request to 22 railroads to-day for a conference with the company's manager by 10 A. M., Wednes which time they expect to submit demands for a wage increase of approximately 10 per cent. request is refused, the plan of the ladum vote immediately the question of general atrike of

freighthandiers.

Anglo-Japanese Treaty Yet Secret. LONDON, Sept. 11 .- Further delay has occurred in the publication of the text of the Angio-Japanese treaty. The impression prevails that the de lay is due to a request of the Jap-

MEXICO KILLS LOTTERIES

Government Stops All Gambling and

Sets Good Example. GUADALAJARA, Mexico, Sept. State officials here say that word has been sent out from the City of Mexico that all lotteries in the republic must be suppressed. The suppression will follow the expiration of the franchises held by the Loteria de la Beneficia Publica. This franchise was granted for 25 years, and he as a very ver for the forces. and has a year yet to run. The federal government will set an example by sup-pressing the national lottery, which is under government control, and the states which conduct lotteries will, it is claimed, follow suit. The lotteries conducted by private concerns will be given a certain of the Mexican government to suppress

gambling in every form. No More Gambling in Capital.

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 11.—The federal district authorities continue their war agapist gambiers, foreign and native, and since the last of August gambiers have been unable to secure licenses. The police break up clandestine gambling as fast as discovered. Many gambiers boasted they would open up again in Tacubaya, a prominent suburbel this city, but they found that the authorities were residy to arrest them. One proposition is to establish in one of the interior states a great gambling concern modeled after Monte Carlo, but it is improbable that this will be allowed.

OHIO GOVERNOR

Mrs. Lawrence Revives Claim Against Herrick on Behalf of Her Son.

BLACKMAIL IS SUSPECTED

Chicago Detectives Await Woman's Arrival to Arrest Her-Herrick Denounces Woman, John-

son Turns Her Down.

CHICAGO, Sept. 11 - (Special) -4 sensation that is shaking political and social centers of two states, keeping a score of detectives constantly moving and threatening to drag prominent men of National importance into its vortex, was further intensified and complicated today by the locating of Mrs. Minnie Lee Ivers Lawrence, supposed to be the mysterious "Helen Sutter," of Cincinnati, and accused of attempting to blackmail Governor Myron T. Herrick, of Ohio, and other men of National prominence. Mrs. Lawrence was found in Columbus, O., and the fact that she was in the capital of Ohio lends color to the theory, in the opinion of Chicago detectives, that she has reviewed her claims in behalf of the boy she calls her son, and has been conferring with political enemies

of Herrick. Lawyer Suspects Blackmail.

At Columbus, Mrs. Lawrence passed all the morning in conference with Judge Ulric Sloan, and left in the afternoon for Chicago. She was accomparied by the boy in question. apparently about 2 years old. She admitted that she was Mrs. Lawrence and

that she was here to see her lawyers. Mr. Slaon said that she has been re-quired to clear up certain facts for him in regard to the matter, in order that he may feel sure she is not a blackmailer. If she does this, he will take the case. Otherwise he will drop Both Superintendent Schumacher, of the Pinkertons, and the attorneys for Mr. Herrick have conferred with Mr. Sloan in an effort to have him re-fuse to take the case. Chicago detectives, acting in behalf of Mr. Herrick, are said to await the arrival in Chicago of Mrs. Lawrence for the purpose or rearresting her. Toey say that they have not come across the "Helen Butname in conection with the Her-

rick affair. Herrick Denounces Woman.

"All I have to say is that this is one of those low, cowardly, under-handed things that are simed at a man and backed by certain parties STRIKE ON AT INDIANAPOLIS said Mr. Herrick. "I heard this was coming and have met it. The statement in Chicago issued by the Pinker-ton agency covers the case. That's all

I have to say." In addition to the name of Mr. Herrick, those of Orrin W. Potter, of Chicago, and Mayor Tom L. Johnson, of Cleveland, O., have been involved in The woman's former husband was Frank Ivers, a mechanic who gained an interest in the steel mill at South Chicago, and it was for this interest that Potter is said to

have paid \$13,000 to the woman as her share. E. S. Potter today denied authoritatively all rumor connecting the name

of his father, Orrin W. Potter, with Mr. Johnson remembers the woman as a person who sought to information which was intended to in-jure Mr. Herrick politically, but said that the offer was scorned, Johnson declaring that he did not desire to play

that kind of politics. Depeen Was Tackled Too.

When the 'Helen Butter" case first began to appear in print, a Chicago paper, for political reasons, sought to conect the name of Governor Densen with it. The Governor is said to have given the editor a statement that fairly burned up the telephone wires and sup plemented it by a visit in person, at which he made it very clear that he had no connection with the case in any form and would make it extremely disastrous for any paper mixing his name with the scandal

POSSE IN CLOSE PURSUIT OF CUSTER BANK-ROBBERS.

After Ambushing Posse, Bandits Continue Flight, but Are Overtaken and One Is Killed.

CUSTER, S. D., Sept. 11.-(Special.)-Three posses are chasing outlaws, who, on Saturday night, robbed the bank at this place of a large amount of gold. Reports have come in that a big battle has been fought in the Black Hills be-

tween posses and robbers.

After the robbery the outlaws, of whom there were three, started towards the Big Horn Mountains, Posses from Deadwood Custer and Hill City were soon in pursuit.

A courier returned this morning after having ridden all night. He reported that the bandits had got into the fastnesses of the Black Hills, and had ambushed their pursuers in the canyon. An ex-

change of shots resulted in two horses being killed and one member of the possebeing injured. The bandits continued their flight.

Another report this afternoon says that the bandits were overtaken further west early this morning, and in a pitched battle one bandit and a deputy were killed and several wounded.

'Steam Engineers' Convention.

TORONTO, Sept. 11.—The ninth annual convention of the International Union of Steam Engineers opened here today. About 266 delegates are present. San Francisco wants the next convention.