EUGENE CITY..... OREGON. EVENTS OF THE DAY

An Interesting Collection of Items Free the Two Hemispheres Presented in a Condensed Form.

Webster Davis addressed an immense pro-Boer audience in Washington.

The Copper Stain mine, in Josephine

county, Oregon, was sold for \$9,000.

Cubans have confidence in General Gomes and entreat him not to leave the in the Carnegie Company.

The Edward T. Smith box factory at New York, was destroyed by fire; gulf of Pe Chi Li, China. loss, \$250,000.

vania, is wanted for vice-president on killed and several wounded. the Democratic ticket. Boers claim to have captured 11 guns

at Bloemfontein waterworks, instead of seven, as first reported.

Building tradesmen in Indianapolis have returned to work, their employers conceding to their demands.

Generals in the Philippines are calling for more troops. They cannot hold the rebels down with the present force. The Boers have succeeded in cutting

thousand troops from all other British The 65th anniversary of the birth of King Leopold, of Belgium, was appropriately celebrated throughout the

kingdom. The British North American and West Indies squadron is to be increased by one battleship, two cruisers and ped to Berlin.

several torpedo boats. The body of an unknown young man was found in the Willamette river near Oregon City, with his head entangled

in a fish net. It is a case of deliberate H. H. Pitcher, banker of Oakland, Cal., committed suicide by blowing his brains out. Pitcher was trustee of an estate valued at \$600,000. His

trust was being investigated in court. The United States supreme court decided the case of Grundling vs. the city of Chicago, involving the validity of the anti-cigarette ordinance of that city. The ordinance was attacked as unconstitutional. The opinion of Justice Peckham held the ordinance not

to be unconstitutional. In his address at the memorial services held in memory of the late Dr. Isaac M. Wise, at Isaiah temple, Dr. Emil G. Hirsch made an appeal to the Jewish people of Chicago to raise \$500,-000, which is the amount yet required to lift the debt on the Jewish Unior College, in Cincinnati. By so doing Dr. Hirsch said, the great work which was begun by Dr. Wise, and carried forward by him under difficulties, could be fully accomplished.

Emily Coghlan, the actress, died at Stamford, Conn., aged 36 years.

Half the village of Proctorville, Ohio, was destroyed by fire. Loss \$200,000.

A German scientist has invented a compound which melts iron in five

Boers in Natal are becoming active, and an engagement with Buller is imminent.

the Samoan islands of Upolu, Manono, Apolima and Saru. Captain John Codman, the famou

advocate of free ships and free trade, is dead at Boston, aged 86 The statue of Mand Adams will not

be admitted to the Paris expositon be cause it is a personal exhibit. At Pittsburg, Pa., a big eight-story department store was destroyed by fire,

causing a loss of over a \$1,000,000. Another brother of President Steyn, of Orange Free State, was captured at Karee Siding, and is now at Bloem-

The squadron of the United States navy, recently formed in Chinese

waters, is to have its headquarters at Hong Kong. Forty people lost their lives at Austin.

Texas, due to an overflow of the Colorado river. Property destroyed exceeds \$3,000,000

The American Plate Mirror Company was chartered at Harrisburg, Pa., with a capital of \$50,000,000. This company is composed of well-known plateglass men, and is looked upon as the beginning of a determined move on the part of the American plate-glass mea to wrest the trade in this country for plate mirrors from foreign manufacturers.

Senator Tillman, from the committee on mines and mining, reported the bill providing for the utilization of a part of the proceeds of the sales of publie lands in support of schools for mining in the public land states. It provides for the appropriation of \$10,000 annually for the present in each case and the gradual increase of the amount to \$20,000.

Great Britain's naval estimates amount to £30,000,000.

Buffalo Bill says 30,000 Mormons from Salt Lake will found a city in Wyoming.

Steamer Prairie, with American exhibits for the Paris exposition, has

It costs \$4,400,000 a year to maintain the 24 royal palaces of Emperor William throughout the German empire.

Dr. W. D. McKim, of New York, favors killing of confirmed criminals, idiots and imbeciles to improve society

The steel steamer Orlando M. Pos for the Rockefeller fleet was launched at the Globe yards in Cleveland, O. It is 490 feet long and will carry 9,006 tons of iron ore net.

J. G. Schurman, recently of the Philippine commission, says the plan of the government for the Filipinos recommended to the president and accepted by him was substantially that devised by Pedro A. Paterno, formerly Aguinaldo prime minister.

LATER NEWS

Bloemfontein is badly in need or water.

Roberts and Buller will advance imultaneously. The total British losses in the Boer

war are now 28,000. A Texas town in the flooded district was destroyed by a tornado.

Fishermen testing the Columbia river near Astoria found but few Chinooks.

The Puerto Rican bill, as amended by the senate, passed the house by a vote of 163 to 153.

Admiral Dewey denies the story of his withdrawal as a candidate for presidential nomination.

H. C. Frick will dispose of all his holdings, something like \$16,000,000,

An internatonal naval demonstration will soon take palcs at Taku Cin, the

During a fight with riotous laborers Ex-Governor Pattison, of Pennsylin New York, one Italian striker was At the Georgia Populist convention,

Senator Marion Butler, of North Carolina, was denounced as the 'chief of all traitors." George W. Hull, an Arizona millionaire, was arrested in New York on a

charge of perjury in a divorce case against his wife. Competent authorities estimate that the wastage of horses monthly by the British forces in South Africa, must be

calculated at not less than 5,000. off General Brabant's two or three B. C. Bergin, an assayer in the United States mint at San Francisco, has been arrested for stealing small

amounts of gold daily for months past. Capitalists of Berlin, through a Chicago firm, have made an offer to purchase the Ferris wheel. The wheel, which weighs 2,200 tons, will be ship-

In San Francisco, 500 pounds of plug-cut tobacco have been seized in various local stores by internal revenue agents, because the packages were insufficiently stamped.

Burglars in Chicago stole diamonds, jewelry and silverware valued at \$40,-000 from the home of Orrin W. Potter, the multi-millionaire and ex-president of the Illinois Steel Company.

The period of time allowed Spanish residents in the Philippines to elect whether they shall remain Spanish subjects or adopt the nationality of the territory in which they reside has expired.

The navy cannot get enough sailors. Paris exposition will be open on Sunday.

The Hague peace treaties were ratified by President McKinley.

Commodore William K. Mayo, died at his home in Washington, aged 76 years.

General Lee has been appointed command the new department Havana and Pinard de Rio. Nicaragua has landed troops

Columbian territory. The nature of the movement is not understood. A 21/2-year-old child was scalded to

death by falling into a tub of hot water and lye, near Ashland, Or. Indians attempted to rescue the murderers of Mr. and Mrs. Bert H

but were driven off by Skagway troops. The United States government denies the report that it has joined with other powers in threatening to land troops in

China. A vote on the resolution relative to The German flag has been raised over the seating of M. S. Quay as senator from Pennsylvania, will be taken on

April 24. Thomas H. Tongue was renominated

for congressman from the Second district on the first ballot at McMinnville, Or.

Texas and Lousiana, to guard against bubonic plague, may establish a quarantine against Chinamen coming from California. An inventor of thorite has announced

his willingness to sell the government the right to manufacture the explosive for \$150,000. The British bark Iranian, which

sailed from New York, November 25, for Yokohama, has been wrecked on the Japanese coast. The Building Trades Assembly, of Houston, Texas, has ordered a general

strike in sympathy with the carpenters, causing 1,500 men to walk out. Two negro murderers were executed at Summerville, Texas. When sen-

tenced both asked for a deck of cards, and declined the offer of a Bible. A minister of Ballard, Cal., near Santa Barbara, committed suicide by blowing the top of his head off with a

shotgun. Temporary insanity was the cause. Former Congressman Charles A Towne, of Duluth, Minn, has announced himself as a candidate for the vice-presidential nomination on the

Democratic ticket. The contract for carrying the Australian and English closed mails across the Pacific has been awarded by the United States government to the Oceanic Steamship Company for 10 years at a rate of \$2 per mile.

At a meeting of the De Beers company Cecil Rhodes said annual profits of diamond mines in Kimberley are \$10,000,000.

Public sentiment in England insists upon absolute supremacy of Great Britain in the Boer states after the war's

A private cablegram from Port of Spain, Venezuela, says the British consul at Bolivar, named Lyons, has been

The superintendent of Indian education suggests that attendance be made compulsory. Sir William Van Horne and the

Bank of Montreal are planning to buy up the Cuban railroads. The government of New Zealand provides work for all applicants at the rate

of two dollars a day. Gen. A. D. Shaw, national commander of the G. A. R., announces himself as a candidate for congress to tion of 9,687. This shows a doubled succeed the late Charles A. Chickering from the Twenty-fourth congressional district of New York,

VICTORIOUS BOERS

British Defeated at the Hands of General Dewet.

FIGHT NORTH OF BLOEMFONTEIN

Killed and Wounded Number 600; Cap tured 900 Boer Lose Was Triffing.

London, April 12 .- A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Brandfort dated Sunday, says:

"Yesterday General Dewet inflicted the third defeat on the British within a week at Merkatsfontein, killing and wounding 600. He captured 900 with 12 wagons, losing five Boers killed and

nine wounded.' The Daily Mail publishes the following, dated April 10 from Lourenco Marques:

"The Netherland Railway Company professes to have received a telegram reporting a Boer victory near Kroonstad, the Boers capturing 900 British." Commenting upon this, the Daily Iail remarks: "There is a Merkats-Mail remarks: fontein about five and one-half miles southeast of Kroonstad, but if the re-

port be true, this can hardly be the place. The Daily News has the following from Pretoria, dated Monday, by way

of Delagoa bay: "It is officially announced that a battle has been fought south of Brandford, in which 600 British troops were killed and wounded and 800 taken prisoners.

"Lord Roberts is declared to be finding great difficulty, owing to the scarcity of water."

BOYS' PRO-BOER RALLY.

Message of Greeting Carried by a District

Messenger to Transvani President. Philadelphia, April 12 .- One of the greatest demonstrations of sympathy, both in the number of participants and in enthusiasm displayed, ever shown in this city for any foreign nation took place tonight, when the Academy of Music was jammed with people for the purpose of taking part in the Philadelphia school boys' pro-Boer raily. The primary object of the gathering was to send a message of greeting to President Kruger, signed by 22,000 pupils of the schools of this city. So great was the crush, mostly of the younger generation, that many thousands were unable to get near the door, and the mass of struggling people was entertained by music while the meeting inside was in

After the speech making was over, James F. Smith, a 14-year-old messenger boy, was called to the stage by means of the regulation call box, and was given the message signed by the school boys, with instructions to proceed to Pretoria and to hand it personally to President Kruger. Tuesday the messenger will sail on the steamship St. Louis, and before the vessel reaches Southampton he will be taken off by a French tender and landed at Havre, France, in order to avoid English territory. The message to President Kruger

is as follows: We, the undersigned students of the public schools of Philadelphia, the city where our own forefathers enlisted in their splendid and successful struggle against English oppression, desire to express to you and to the fighting men of the South African republic their great admiration for the geinus and courage that has checked English invasion of the Transvaal, and the undersigned extend their most earnest wishes that in the end the South African republic will triumph over England in a war in which the Boer cause is

noble, the British cause unjust." Delegations of school boys from New

York and Boston attended the meeting. Struck Down With a Club. Chicago, April 12 .- A nonunion plasterer, working in the basement of the Marshall Field building, Clark and Adams streets, was assaulted and seriously injured by a union picket to-Nearly 200 union men were disday. charged by the contractors on this building yesterday and their places filled by nonunion men. Today, a union picket gained entrance to the building by eluding the police, and after knocking the nonunion plasterer down with a club, escaped. The injured man was unconscious when found, and his skull may be fractured. The 42 union men employed in the building struck this afternoon,

Arizona Millionaire Arrested. New York, April 12,-George W. Hull, of Arizona, who is said to be a millionaire and ex-speaker of the Arizona legislature, was arrested in this city today at the request of the attorney-general of Rhode Island. According to statements made in the police court when he was arraigned, he is wanted in Rhode Island to answer to a charge of perjury, alleged to have been committed by him in a suit brought before the appellate division of the supreme court of that state for divorce from his wife. Hull was remanded without bail.

The Creek Indians are leaving Indian territory and moving to Iowa, Minnesota and the Dakotas.

Decided Against Clark. Washington, April 12.-The senate ommittee on privileges and elections today deceided by a unanimous vote to recommend an option resolution declaring that Hon. W. A. Clark, of Montana, is not entitled to occupy his sea" as senator from Montana. The decis ion was reached after a two hours' sit ting, at which all members of the com mittee were present except one. The absentee was Senator Caffery, and he wired his vote in opposition to Clark.

Explosion Wrecked a Flour Mill. Columbia City, Ind., April 12 .- The flour mill of R. Tuttle & Company was wrecked by an explosion today. Henry Landon, fireman, and O. C. Young, teamster, were killed. Several others were painfully injured. The mill was not running at the time, and is believed natural gas caused the explosion.

Walla Walla's new city directory shows 2,809 individual names of residents of the city and an entire populapopulation during 10 years, and over 1,000 during the last two years.

SITUATION IN PUERTO RICO.

Former Good Feeling Between Natives and Americans Lessening. Ponce, Puerto Rico, April 14 .- At no time since the hurricane of August 8 last, has the condition of the poor of

Puerto Rico been as bad as it is today. About 95 per cent of the island may be placed in the peon class, which is made up of a mixture of all races. In the other 5 per cent are included the wellto-do, educated people, such as merchants, planters and professional men and their families. This better class is able to pass

through such times as are now prevailing without actual physical suffering, but their business affairs are at a standstill, and have been for a long time, and this deprives the majority of the large laboring class of a means of livelihood. This large body of laboring people furnishes the very cheap and effective labor which is needed for agriculture and other work, but at all times they have been in an under fed and poorly nourished condition.

Their hardships have been greatly idded to by the scarcity of fruit since the hurricane, and it is consequently ncreased in price. Salt fish, rice and seans have been imported free of duty since the hurricane, but little of the benefit derived from this has gone to peons, and now, when there is a prospect of 15 per cent of the Dingley tariff being placed on these articles, the price has been greatly advanced. Merchants hesitate to import lagre stocks because of the prospect of free trade, and the present scarcity of fruit is also a cause for the advance in prices. Rice has gone up from 5 to 6 centavos a pound to 8 and 9, beans from 6 to 12, and, at one time, a few days ago, to 15 centavos a pound, while salt fish has advanced from 6 to about 10 centavos.

No one who understands the situation here will deny that much of the former good feeling between Puerto Ricans and Americans has been lost. Besides, Americans are fewer in number in Puerto Rico today than at any time since shortly after the troops first landed, and those departing have left a long list of defunct companies, bankrupt business, wrecked schemes and anxious creditors, who, in some cases, hold choice collections of worthless notes and checks. Not only are Americans leaving the island, but large numbers of Puerto Ricans have gone to Venezuela, to Santo Domingo and to Cuba. Three days ago more than 300 natives sailed for Cuba to obtain employment there, and at least 1,000 sailed from this port alone during the

last three months. Much livestock is also being shipped to Cuba. The greatest loss to Puerto Rico in this respect is in the large cargoes of magnificent cattle, which it will take years to replace.

AGAINST THE CANAL.

Senate Declines to Consider the Nicaragua Bill. Washington, April 14 .- An effort

was made in the senate today by Morgan (Dem. Ala.) to displace the present unfinished business, the Spooner Philippine bill, by the substitution in its stead of the Nicaragua canal bill. While Morgan's motion failed, 15 to 33, the Philippine measure had a narrow escape from being displaced by the Alaskan civil code bill, on motion of Carter (Pep. Mont.), the motion being defeated on a roll call, 22 to 24. The feature of the day's proceedings was an exhaust ve discus

by Burrows (Rep. Mich.). Island Depositories. Washington April 14.-The house today, after a spirited debate, adopted the resolution reported from the insular affairs committee to authorize the secretary of the treasury to designate depostories in Puerto Rico, Cuba and the a series of indecisive actions are occhilippines for the deposit of government funds. By the terms of the reso- ing April 10 at Eland's Langte avers lution, it applies to Cuba only so long as the island shall be occupied by the was made with the loss of only three United States. An amendment to in- mules and two horses, while the Britclude the Philippines in this provision ish losses, says the same report, must as to Cuba, offered, as was stated, to emphasize the desire of the opposition not to retain the islands, was defeated by a party vote. A senate bill which will permit the dependent mothers of soldiers or sailors of the Spanish war, even though they married Confederate ward Pretoria will be delayed. In the soldiers, to receive the benefit of the

general pension law, was passed. The remainder of the day was dethe committee on the election of president, vice-president and representatives in congress for a constitutional amendment empowering the legislatures of states to decide whether the United States senators shall be elected by the

legislature or directly by the people. A substitute resolution was offered by the minority of the committee, which differed from the majority resolutions in giving the states no option, but providing that in all states the people should vote directly for United States senators.

Work Train Wrecked.

Redding, Cal., April 14 .- In the wreck of a Southern Pacific work train, five miles below Cottonwood, tonight, three railroad employes were killed and three injured, two probably tatally. The work train was backing from Hooker to Cottonwood, and the caboose, ollowed by five flat cars, left the track. The cars rolled over the caboose, crushing it into the ground and killing three of its five occupants.

British Reverse at Ashantee.

Acera, April 13 .- Uncorroborated reports are in circulation here and at Cape Coast castle that the governor of Kumassie is in the enemy's hands. The greatest fear is felt for Cape Coast castle, if a reverse has been sustained, and if the rebellion continues. It is understood that Sierra Leon has asked for a gunboat, but the troops there are not in sufficient numbers to leave the

Bellefont, Pa., April 14 .- Three men were killed today on the Bellefont & Snowshoe railroad, three miles east of engine. The engine and a dozen cars The dead are: Harry Temple, fireman; Calvin Temple, brakeman; Al Beamer,

A woman near New York raises and sells \$1,500 worth of goldfish annually.

Ninety per cent of American women spend less than \$50 a year for clothing.

ARE ORDERED

Telegraphers of Two South ern Railways Strike.

TROUBLE COMMENCED LAST FALL

It Grew Out of the Refusal of Officials of the Companies to Consider Grievances.

Atlanta, Ga., April 14.-The threatening trouble of the telegraphers and other station employes of the Southern railway and Alabama Great Southern railway, which has been pending for several months, came to a head here today, when President Powell, of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, called on the telegraphers to quit work.

The trouble commenced last when the telegraphers of each division appointed a committee to go before the division superintendents and ask a settlement of certain grievances. Hearings, they say, were refused them, and an appeal was made to General Superintendent Harrett, at Washington, and later to Vice-President and General Manager Cannon. The officers of the order state that no satisfaction was received from these officers, and the grievances were finally taken to Presient Speyer, whose secretary said the president was too ill to consider the matter at this time.

President Powell says the committeemen selected to represent the men have been dismissed to the number of more than 20, and that dozens of members of the Order of Harlway Telegraphers have been discharged because of their membership. He says the last communication to the officials of the company contained an offer to arbitrate the differences. Railroad officials say the strike has caused them no inconvenience and has not interfered with traffic. In a statement which President Powell has issued he says:

"The strike was inaugurated for the following purposes:

'To secure a reinstatement of members who were discharged by the Southern railway; for the right to be heard through committees in the adjustment of individual grievances; for a set of rules and rates of pay to govern train dispatchers, telegraphers, agents and other station employes in their employment, discipline, etc.; 12 tured. consecutive hours' work per day, where one or two telegraphers are employed, including one hour for dinner; 10 consecutive hours, including meal hour, in all relay dispatchers' offices and offices where more than two dispatchers are employed; eight consecutive hours for train dispatchers; pay for overtime; to abolish the practice of compelling agents to load cotton and the performance of other manual labor; a minimum wage scale of \$45 and \$50 per month for operators and \$120 for dispatchers; fair and equitable rules regarding promotion.'

FIGHTING IN NATAL.

Boer Attacks on the British Line, Stubbornly Resisted. London, April 14.-A special dis-

patch from Eland's Laagte, dated yesterday, says: "Fighting was renewed beyond ish positions. There was a continuous. rifle fire and the Boer big guns were in action. The British replied effectively, and after two hours' fighting the

Boers were checked." Eland's Laagte and Wepener still monopolize attention. At both places curring. The Boer report of the fightthat the advance on the British camp have been heavy. The bombardment lasted all day.

Nothing has been learned regarding the rumor of Colonel Baden-Powell's death, nor is there anything tending to show how long the general advance toabsence of exciting developments, public interest centers more upon the personality of the new commanders, and voted to debate upon a resolution from in the supposition as to who the next

general will be to be sent home. The announcement of the reoccupation of Smithfield by the burghers, just received, is no news, as the small British force at that place withdrew thence

after the Reddersburg affair. It now appears that General Brabant himself is at Aliwal North, and that only a portion of his column is at Wepener.

Left to Cooper Union.

New York, April 14.-When John Holstead, a well-known tea merchant died last May, he bequeathed sums of money to numerous public institutions, and the residue of the estate to Cooper Union. It was supposed that this residue would amount to \$25,000. An inventory of the estate, however, showlthat Cooper Union will receive \$300,-

Money-Order System for Nome. Washington, April 14 .- The postoffice department has arranged to provide a first-class money order system for Cape Nome, Alaska,

Japanese Refused a Landing San Francisco, April 14.-Thirty three of the 219 Japanese steerage pas sengers who arrived on the steamer Belgian King, a few days ago, have been refused a landing by the immigration officials, but have appealed to the secretary of the treasury, and, pending a reply from Washington, will be held here. The principal reason for their

Eleven Were Drowned,

here as contract laborers.

rejection by the officials is the discov

ery of evidence that the Japanese cam-

London, April 14. - As the result the wreck of a fishing boat on the North Cornish coast this morning, Snowshoe. The rails spread under an three fishermen and eight lifeboatmen were drowned. The lifeboat went to were thrown over an embankment. the rescue of the fishermen, and was upset attempting to save their lives.

Columbus, Tex., April 14 - The bis Southern Pacific bridge at this place was swept away by the flood last night. The loss is about \$100,000. All wagon bridges are gone, and the only outlet is by rail to the west. No lives were lost. The river has fallen 18 inches.

CHINESE REIGN OF TERROR.

Fowerful Viceroys Protest to the En

press Dowager. Shanghai, April 16 .- A full account has been received here of the meeting on March 5 at Peking between the em press dowager and the grand council. Protests were read from the viceroys and governors of nine of the 18 provinces against the policy of the empress dowager. These officials are the greatest provincial authorities in China. They declared unitedly that, if the empress dowager persists in persecuting the reformers and continuing her reign of terror policy, the Chinese under

them will rebel against the Manchus. The viceroy at Nanking says he has 140,000 Hunanese troops who are anxious to fight the Manchus, and he fears he cannot control them. The viceroys who united in this remarkable step represent the provinces of Kiang-Su, Anhui, Kiangsi, Hunan, Hupeh, Chekiang, Fookien, Quangei and Kwangtung, with an aggregate population of 180,000,000. Until this protest had been made,

the dowager empress had been having things quite her own way. Though she has desisted from her purpose to set up a new emperor, yet her wrath towards those who opposed her has shown Lien-Shan has been captured in the hai last month. He is the manager of legislatures, respectively. the national system of telegraphs in China, and headed the petition signed resignation or otherwise, in the repeby 1,200 notables against setting up a sentation of any state in the senate new emperor. Probably he will be the same shall be filled for the unexdecapitated. An English law firm pired term thereof in the same manner here has been retained to defend him. as is provided for the election of seas The government has trumped up tors in paragraph 1; provided, that the charges of defalcation against Mr. Kin, executive thereof may make temporary who is really a very able and enlightened man.

On March 1 instructions were wired from Peking to Soo Chow, capital of state." Kiang-Su, to arrest and put to death the reformers Weng T'Ung-Ho and to the consideration of private per-Shen Pong. These men had been in sion bills. During the course of the very important positions in Peking, debate there were several sharp attacks but were easily captured in Soo Chow. The chief reformer, Kang Yu Wei, has fled to Singapore. The empress dowager has offered \$100,000 for his body. dead or alive.

It is said that there is an official list, prepared by the Peking government, of the names of 300 reformers who are proscribed. A special list of over 35 names exists of those who are to be killed as soon as they are cap-

BUILDING COLLAPSED.

Three Persons Killed and Number In jured in a l'ittsburg Accident. Pittsburg, April 14 .- Without warn ng and with a rush and a roar, the four-story brick building at the corner of Second avenue and Wood street collapsed today, burying in its ruins a number of people, three of whom were

and several others slightly injured. The building was occupied by the Armstrong, McKervy Lead & Oil Company. It was being remodeled by Contractors McGovern and Lyte, who were converting the lower floors of the corner store and that next door into one large room. About 48 feet of the middle partition had been removed, and steel girders, supported by heavy iron posts, were in place, and the finishing touches were being put on the remodeled work. Eland's Laagte this afternoon. The The firm this morning began the trans off, as no force is advancing from the other, and apparently centralized the heavy weight of the leads and oils about the middle of the structure. The coltapse began by the second floor breakfloors above, making a breach from tor This correspondent also asserts that to bottom through the center of the

building. The fact that the rear portion of the building on Second avenue did not collapse saved many lives. It was in that part of the building that the offices were located, in which there were about 10 persons. Those who were in the of the firm will be about \$40,000.

Mashona in More Trouble. Cape Town, April 16.-The admiral in charge of the British fleet in these waters has refused to permit the Britlanded at Durban.

The British gunboat Partridge on York business and social circles a gen-December 8 captured the steamer Ma- eration ago. shons, which had sailed from New York, November 3, via St. Vincent, November 6, for Algoa bay, loaded with flour for the Transvaal. The vesportion of the cargo was condemned.

Plague Riots in India. Bombay, April 14.-Plague riots have taken place at Cownpore, where the segregation camp has been destroyed and 10 persons have been killed. The rioters killed five constables and threw their bodies into the burning camp. Order is now restored, but all business is suspended and the populace is sul- Manufacturers' Association, at its meetlen. Troops and volunteers are patrol-

factories. tevenue tax. Chicago Tailors Will Fight. Chicago, April 16 .- A secret meeting of the Merchant Tailors & Drapers' division of the supreme court today Exchange was held last night. When handed down a decision in the matter the meeting broke up it was announced of the appraisal of the estate of the late that the members of the exchange were William K. Vanderbilt. An order of opposed to receding in any particular Surrogate Fitzgerald, declaring a cerfrom the stand taken in the fight with tain fund subject to the inheritance tax

demand for the back shop system. The fire of genius is frequently extinguished by having cold water poured on it .- Chicago Daily News.

Sentenced to Death. Toronto, Can., April 16 .- Henry Williams, the burglar who shot and killed J. F., Varcoe, a storekeeper, on November 9, will be executed here today. He was engaged in burglarizing Mr. Varcoe's store when he committed the murder. He is a young man and on that account some sympathy was worked up in his behalf, but there was

The czarina has taken up the typewriter and owns a machine.

interfere in the case.

POPULAR

House Favors a Change in the Mode of Electing Senators.

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Resolution to That Effect Adopted by a Vote of 240 to 15-Talbert's Tactics Denounced.

Washington, April 16.-The house oday, by a vote of 240 to 15, adopted resolution for a constitutional ameni. ment providing for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people. Fourteen Republicans and on Democrat voted against it. By the terms of the resolution, the amelinent submitted to the legislatures is as fol-

lows: "The senate of the United States shall be composed of two senators from each state, who shall be elected by direct vote of the people thereof for a term of six years, and each senator shall have one vote. A plurality of wards those who opposed her has shown the votes cast for candidates for sens. tor shall be sufficient to elect. The Portugese colony of Macao, of the electors in each state shall have the South China coast, by Li Hung Chang's qualifications requisite for electors of letectives. Mr. Kin fled from Shang- the most numerous branch of the state

"When a vacancy happens by death. appointment until the next general special election, in accordance with the statutes or constitution of such

upon Talbert, of South Carolina, for his course in delaying action.

BOERS HEADED OFF.

Lord Roberts Checks Their Forward Movement. London, April 16 .- The forward movement of the Boers is checked, says Lord Roberts. This is taken to mean

not by fighting, but by disposition to

head off their advance and bar their

way to vulnerable points in the line of British communications His dispatch to the war office follows: "Bloemfontein, April 14 .- The enemy's movements south have been checked. Wepener is still surrounded but the little garrison is holding out well. Troops are being moved to their

assistance. The health of the troops is good, and the climate perfection." The Boers in Natal appear incapable taken out dead, five were badly hurt, of developing an aggressive movement at Eland's Laagte. Lord Methoen is at Zwartkopfontein, 12 miles east of Boshof, and is sending small, swift columns through the adjacent county. Lord Chesham, commanding one of these, encountered a small commando aobut 10 miles southeast of Zwartkepfontein. He found most of the farms occupied by women and children only. An editorial note in the Daily Mail avers that Mafeking is in a very bal way, and that the hope of relief is far

south. The Boer peace envoys have documents-the Rome correspondent of the Daily News says-showing that urgent advices to the Transvaal to wage war ing through, carrying with it the two were originally made by Germany. Count von Bulow, the Geramn foreign minister, who was said to have gone on a visit to a sick brother, really went

to Milan for the express purpose of conferring with the delegates.

J. A. Porter Resigns. Washington, April 16 .- Owing to rear portion of the building heard the the continued ill health of John Addicrash and ran out of the side door into son Porter, secretary to the president, Second avenue and escaped. The loss he has tendered his resignation, and the president has accepted it, to take effect May I next. George B. Cortelyou, of New York, the present assistant secretary to the president, has been appointed to succeed him. Mr. Cortelyou was born in New York city, July ish steamer Mashona, Captain John 26, 1862. His grandfather, Peter Corston, to proceed beyond Durban. The telyou, for 40 years a member of the agents of the vessel announce that the type-founding firm of George Bruce & type-founding firm of George Bruce & cargo destined for Delagoa bay will be Co., and his father, Peter Cortelyon, Jr., were prominent figures in New

Was Not a Boer Leader. Pretoria, April 16 .- United States Consul Hay, in an interview, says the sel and the foodstuffs were subsequently report that Captain Reichmann, the released on bond and the prize court or United States military attache, partici-March 13 rendered a verdict that a pated in the fight near Sanna's Post is absolutely false. Captain Reichmann, but that the steamer was formally it is said, was occupied most of the time attending upon the wounded Dutch military attache, Lieutenaut Mix, who has since died. Consul Hay has no doubt that Reichmann has been confused with the American Lieutenant Loosberg, of the Free State ar-

tillery, who took a very active part in the fight. Chicago, April 16.-The Illinois ing last night, took the stand that there ling the city, guarding the mills and should be an early revision of the war

New York, April 14.—The appellate

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the Journeymen Tailors' Union in their law was affirmed. This was a fund of \$5,000,000 held in trust for the benefit of the late Cornelius Vanderbiit. One pound of cork will support &

man of ordinary size in the water.

Damages for Breach of Promise. Denver, April 16 .- A special to the News from Colorado Springs says: Nellie Lewis, who recently sued sam Strong, the Cripple Creek millionaire mine owner, for \$250,000 damages for breach of promise, was this evening riven a verdict for \$50,000.

The Texas Flood. Houston, Texas, April 16.—The Colnothing calling upon the government to orado river flood has now reached interfers in the case. Wharton, and half the town is nuder water. So far there has been only one casualty, a negro refugee being frowned in trying to reach to town.