railroad to Santa Cruz is involved in

county of San Fraicisco with a branch

fronted with the ouline of the rumored

big railroad deal, he positively denied

"If nothing is published now," he

added, "I may be able to give out a

Mr. Bullock admitted that there was

omething in the report, but neither

nor George Crocker would give any

INDICTED BY GRAND JURY.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22.--Charles

R. Mains has been indicted by the

federal grand jury here forusing the

mails in a schame to defraud Dr. C.

represents himself as the attorney of

syndicates with billion dollar capitali-

zation and has carried on an extensive

CALLS DOWN GERMAN

AMBASSADOR.

Feelings.

BERLIN, Feb. 22.-Lord Lansdowne

British government has taken note

Von Hollemon, ambassador to

of ambasadors held in Washington

April 14, 1898, without following the

usual procedure of obtaining the con-

Lord Lansdowne and the British

government desire Germany to know

that it misunderstood the action of

Lord Pauncefote, the British ambas

meeting of April 14, 1898. Lord Paun

simply that of the senior member of

toLord Lansdowne's dispatch of

which the forgoing is the substance.

he indication are that Geramny in her

reply thereto will point out that the

British foreign office was first in giv-

ing information to the press coincident

with the first speech of Lord Cran-

The German foreign office is seem

ngly taking cognizence of the official

British statement given to the Asso-

clated Press January 21 last, that

Germany, Russia and France support-

ed the effort of Austria to persuade

foreign affairs.

sador to the United States in

sent of the government.

to Santa Cruz.

definite story."

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# THE WORST FIRE

Series of Disasters Occur in New York in One Day.

THIRTEEN PERSONS KILLED

Park Avenue Hotel Destroyed By Fire-The Place Was Crowded With Guests.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22 .- For the avenue in this city has been the scene of the loss of human life. The first was a collision in the New York Centrai tunnel the second came by a dynamite explosion in the Rapid Transit subway, and the third today was a fire which started in the Seventyfirst regiment armory at Thirty-third street, and then spread to the Park Avenue Hotel where eighteen persons were killed and many injured. It was the worst fire since the Windsor Hotel was destroyed.

The dead are: NORMAN ACTON, Colorado Springs COLCHAS L. BURDETTE, Hartford,

WM. J. BERNHARDT, Chicago MRS. WM. J. BERNHARDT. LEE G. CONRAD, New York. FRED S. HOVEY, Lions, N. Y. JAMES R. HAMES (not certain, may e Thomas Horne), Denver. JOHN IVERSON, Denver.

MINNIE F. LIGGER, Denver. MRS. J. M'MANUS. CAPT. CHARLES UNDERWOOD.

EX-CONGRESSMAN G. R. ROB-BINS, Savannah, Ga. ESTHER SCHLESSENGER, Chica

JACOB, SPAHN. Rochester. JOHN G. WALKER, Columbia

MRS. SALOME FOSTER, known Unidentified woman.

The hotel was crowded with guests who had come to attend the festivities in honor of Prince Henry. More than 500 persons were in the house. The fire was confined principally to the fifth and sixth floors near the elevator air shaft.

THE MYSERY SOLVED.

Milliner Tells of How James Mc-Auliffe Came to His Death.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22-Solution of the mystery as to how James McAulfiffe chiefwitnessingminstWhdclunbodlgq' iffe, chief witness against Wardman lGennan, and who was, found fatally injured recently on the sidewalk if Sixth avenue, came to his death is declared by the Herald to have been setled by the statement of Miss T. R. Bolton, a milliner, whose place of business is opposite the spot where McAuliffe was found.

Miss Bolton is quoted as saying that saw McAuliffe walking along Sixth avenue and that he he fell and was unable to rise. Finally another man who happened to be passing picked him u pand he was carried to the hospital where he died.

RAILROAD PENSION SYSTEM.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.-Announcenent has been made by the management of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad that a pension system will be placed in effect March 1, for the benefit of employes. Udder the plan, as arranged by President Truesdale, any employe engaged for 25 years in any capacity in the operation of the railroad proper who has performed his duties faithfully is to be retired at 65 years of age and receive a monthly allowance proportionately to pay which he was drawing and the length of his service.

WILLIAM STOCKLEY DEAD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.-William A Stockley, three times mayor of Philadelphia, died last night in that city, aged 79 years.

RAID ON BOWERY.

Hundreds of the Habitues Taken to Police Station.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.- Another wholesale raid has ben made in rsorts in East Fourteenth street and the up- that the amount of concession is cut per end of the Bowery. Hundreds of in half and the condition precedent, to complete the erection of a fine statiols. This is the third raid in a is added.

brief period and it was said the crusade will be contaued until the district is thoroughly renovated.

Among the places raided was Tom IN MANY YEARS Sharkey's. Inspector Cross is said to have had a warrant for Sharkey but the pugilist was out of the city. Suicide Hall was among the places

TEND THE STRIKE.

Committee of Mine Workers to Wait on Civic Federation

SAN FRANCISCO .Feb. 22.-A dispatch from W. A. McArthur, who has een in attendance at the meeting of the National Civic Federation in New York indicates that efforts are to be made to end the strike of the local iron workers which commenced May

A committee consisting of nine members of the Civic Federation has been appointed with instructions to visit this city and endeavor to adjust the troubles between the principal shipbuilding and iron working firms and the men still out on strike. The names of those composing the committee were not forwarded.

CHICAGO HONORS WASHINGTON Former Member of French House of Deputies Guest of Honor.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.-The Union League Club tonight observed Washington's birthday anniversary with a banquet to its members.

The guest of honor was Baron Esternelles De Constant, a member of the French house of deputies, who spoke on the union of France and America in the past and future.

#### TRAGEDY AT YONKERS

FATAL SHOOTING OF TWO YOUNG GIRLS.

Insane Fondness For a Child The Supposed Cause of the Awful Deed.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.-A peculiar ragedy has occurred in the residence five year old Stmons girl, and the hands of Amelia Foscher, a Hungar-

was done by the servant, is supposed to excitement prevailed Everybody was

Mrs. Simons, mother of the child, went shopping, leaving the little girl in charge of the servant. When she returned there was no response to her ring and she had to effect an entrance by breaking a window. She instantly detected a strong odor of gas and heard groans on the top floor, where are located the servant's room and the children's playing room. Hastening upstairs Mrs. Simons was horrified to see the servant stretched out apologies to the senate. Their stateon the floor with the little girl lying ments were listened to by both senaby her side. A side bracket had been tors and the people in the galleries wrenched from the wall and the room with breathless interest. Senator Tilland hallway were filled with gas. Mrs. man left the capitol when adjourn-Simons rushed to the telephone and ment was taken for recess and did not notified the police.

Two small bullet wounds were found in the child. Both were superficial s o'clock, but left early. Neither senand she soon recovered from the ef- ator would make a statement. fects of the gas. Three bullets had penetrated the servant's body and she was removed to a hospital where it was believed she would not recover. Georgianna said she and the servant were in the children's room when Amelia said she was going down stairs to get some gum. She returned in a few minutes and immedihad gone into the servant's room when she heard Amelia coming up- tion whatever. stairs. Then she turned the weapon on herself and fired three shots, falling on the floor by the side of the ohild. The revolver was a cheap af- Reported Combination by Which Pafair of small calibre. Mr. Simons is a wealthy lace manufacturer of New

CONCESSIONS IN CUBA.

Republican Members of Ways and Means Committee Reach Agreement.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.-The Republican members of the ways and means committee, who have been considering the question of concession to Cuba, finally reached an agreement this Gould in his scheme to extend the afternoon which is considered a vic- Gould roallroad system west from tory for those who have favored the Salt Lake to San Francisco. Gould tariff concessions to that island.

The action is practically a proposition submitted a few days ago by Rep- a guest of Poniatowski and William resentative Long, of Kansas, except H. Crocker. the habitues were carried to the police that Cuba enact our immigration laws, this city. Then, as the story runs, a

#### TWO SENATORS COME TO BLOWS

Tillman and McLaurin Engage to Denver. At Denver it connects in Fistic Combat During Open Session.

the Gould-Ponlatowski scheme to the MOST DISGRACEFUL SCENE extent of giving the Gould road part their entrance into the city and

McLaurin Said Tillman Lied and Senior Senator Rained Blows Upon His Colleague.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.-Washington's birthday was signalized in the United States senate by a fist fight. The two senators from South Carolina were the active participants in the affray. Tillman, in the course of a speech upon the Philippine tariff bill, nade serious reflections upon the houor of his colleague, McLaurin, In brief, the ratification of the treaty of Paris R. Bennett, of Wauscop, O. Mains had been cast through the exercise of

peared just as Tillman concluded his

Pale as ashes, McLaurin rose to ad dress the senate, speaking to a question of personal privilege. He reviewdenounced the statement made by his colleague as a "wilfut, malicious and

deliberate lie." Scarcely had the words fallen from his lips when Tillman, sitting a few seats from him, with Teller between them, sprang at McLaurin, and in an instant these two senators, having swept Teller aside, were engaged in a rough and tumble fight. McLaurin received a heavy blow on the forehead, while Tillman got a punch on the

nose which brought blood. Assistant Sargeant-at-Arms Layton sprang over the desks to reach and separate the combatants and himself received several blows. He got between them finally and by main strength of the publication by the German probable fatal wounding at her own wrenched them apart. Senators War- German press of the dispatch from Virginia, leaped to his assistance and caught the arms of the belligerents. forcing them to their seats. Intense was spoken. The senutors stood about the chamber for a moment quite help-

less and pale to the lips. Finally order was restored partially, and in the midst of intense excitement the senate went into secret executive session. For two hours It discussed the event behind closed cefote's part in that meeting was doors. When the doors were opened it was made known that oth of the the diplomatic corps and nothing that South Carolina senators, by unanimous he did was prompted by unfriendvote, had been declared to be in con- liness toward the United Sattes tempt of the senate. They were per- Baron Von Richthofen has not replied mitted by a vole of the senate to make return for the night session.

McLaurin was in the chamber about

SENATOR ARE IN CONTEMPT.

Their Former Status.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.-The status of Senators Tillman and McLaurin is that they are still in contempt of the senate, and only by a vote of the ately fired two shoes at the child who senate can either be recognized, either to speak or to vote on any ques-

BIG RAILROAD DEAL

cific Gets Outlet at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22.-The Examiner says that every indication points to the belief that a big railroad and financial deal is on the trapis by which George J. Gould's Missouri Pacific system will gain an entrance into San Francisco.

Prince Poniatowski, F. S. Bullock, one of the partners in several enterprises and Senator Clark, of Montana are reported as being connected with will make a tour of the coast next month. While in the city he will be

The alleged railroad scheme is said depot and hotel on Market street in

#### railroad will be built to the San Ma-TERRIFIC STORM a tunnel or an elevated line. From AT PHILADELPHIA Angeles to connect with the line Senator Clark is building to Sair Lake. At the Utah capital, Clark's road will onnect with the Rio Grande system

The City Completely Shut Off with his Missouri Pacific to St. Louis. From the Missouri metropolis to To-From Communication With ledo he owns the Wabash road, which is now being extended to Pittsburg. Outside World. It is rumored that the Say and Coast

THE SEVEREST EVER FELT

When Prince Poniatowski was con-Wires Broken In All Directions -Four Persons Killed By Heavily Charged that he was interested in any such Wires.

At least 25 horses were killed the day by broken wires.

WELL, THIS IS INDEED RICH.

Englishman Attacks President Says Maine Should Enter Canadian Federation. on Holleben's Note to German Press Outrages British

LONDON, Feb. 22 .- David Mills, n article in the Empire Review ster of justice, bitterly assails Presi cares that the United States "are so long enamored of their own politic institutions and so devoted to selfworship that they think no others are deserving of admiration.

Mills maintains that it would be to

ROYAL YACHT SIGHTED

Will Reach Sandy Hook at 10 O'clock This Morning

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 .- The Kronnorning off Nantucket lightship. The yacht will arrive off Sandy Hook at 18 o'clock this morning.

M'GOVERN BEATS SULLIVAN.

Desperate Battle.

LOUISVILLE, Feb. 22.-Terry Mc-Govern defcated Dave Sullivan tonight in 15 rounds of as desperate lighting bourne, the British under secretary of of the gong until the end it was alapbang, hammer and tongs, nearly every second, both men working away with

all the energy they possessed. In the fourth round Sullivan was at his best and had McGovern plainly going. Nothing but the latter's splendid recuperative power enabled him to come out in shape for the fifth round. Sullivan was knocked out in the 15th

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