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TWENTY-FOUR MEET DEATH

Appalling Disaster Occurs on Central Railroad Near Westfield, N. J.

FAST TRAINS IN COLLISION

Royal Blue Passenger Crashes Into Local and Wreck Heap Catches Fire From the Locomotive.

New York, Jan. 27 .- One of the most appalling railroad wrecks that has occurred in the vicinity of New Yorkthe estimated loss of life being at least 24 persons-took place tonight at Grace land, on the Central railroad of New Jersey, near Westfield, N. J., when a Royal Blue line express plowed at top speed into the rear of a local train. Immediately after the crash three of the shattered cars of the local train took fire, rendering impossible the rescue of the many wounded who were pir ned fast in the wreck. Many of the bodies were believed to have been con-

On board the flyer all the passengers, though badly shaken up, escaped uninjured except for triffing bruises.

The train which was run into leaves New York at 5:45 and runs as an express to Bound Brook, making stops at Elizabeth, Westfield and Plainfield. Beyond Bound Brook it runs as a local, The Royal Blue train left to minutes makes no stops except at Elizabeth, and is scheduled to overtake the slower train just beyond Graceland, where the

to pass. This evening a freight train was block ed on track No. 4 and the local receivreceiving orders the train had to stop for a hot box, which caused a delay so that, when it got under way again, it was due at Dunnellen. The train had just started and was moving slowly when the Royal Blue, traveling at 65 miles an hour, crashed into the rear end. The heavy engine of the Royal fourth car was only partly wrecked. San Francisco. but the last three were torn to pieces, The engine of the Royal Blue left the engineer and fireman sticking to their posts and going down in the wreck. They are now in the hospital at Plain-

The engineer is not believed to have any chance of living more than a few hours. The passengers on the flyer say the engineer applied the brakes hard a minute or two before the wreck. The tidin had sent a flagman but it seems he was recalled when the train got under way, and, although he placed torpedoes, the Royal Blue did not heed them, or else was going too fast to stop in the short distance remaining. The man who went back to flag the train had just swung onto the rear of his train and is among the dead.

The engine and three cars which were wrecked were piled in a heap, containing at least 100 dead or injured. From the mass came fearful cries for aid. A minute later the wreck caught fire from the fire box of the locomotive. The screams of the injured in the heap were intensified as they found themselves hemmed in by the flames.

REPUBLICANS HOSTILE.

Denounce Party Men Who Assisted in Election of Henry M. Teller.

Denver, Jan. 27 .- An echo of the fierce contest in Colorado over the United States senatorship, just concluded by the re-election of Henry M. Teller, is heard in the action taken by the republican central committee of this (Arapa-

hoe) county. Resolutions were adopted by a vote of 106 to 19 condemning Philip B. Stewart, Frank C. Goudy and other antithe democrats for the defeat of the republican party 'n the Colorado legislature." Continuing the resolution says: "We condemn them as republicans and its employes. for the part-they have taken in carrying out their unholy alliance and wicked agreement with our enemies in the election of a powerful and influential them against the policies of our persi-

struct all republican measures coming before the American senate."

Mr. Stewart, who was one of the most unyielding of the anti-Welcott leaders in the fight, is credited with being the spokesman of the administration in Colorado, and Mr. Goudy was the principal opponent of ex-Senator Wolcott among the candidates in his own party.

BREAK WILL SOON COME.

Salem, Jan. 27 .- (Special) -- The Ful-

Fulton Forces Prepared for a Final Coup at an Early Date.

on forces are getting things in shape for a grand coup to be executed toward the end of this week, or early next week. It is understood that Mr. Fulton has received assurances that a dozen members now voting for other candidate will come over to him at the right time ,and that time is rapidly approaching. The Asterian's followers have declared their intention of

man out of the question. Today's ballot showed no change Mr. Fulton still retains his 32 votes. while J. J. Geer's 17 remain with him. The first break is expected in the ranks of the Geer men. Today's ballot re-

aulted as follows:
C. W. Fulton32
T. T. Geer17
C. E. S. Wood (dem.)17
George L. Baker 5
Scattering
Absent 2

MAURICE GFAU IS ILL

Continue His Profession.

Well Known Opera Leader Unable to

New York, Jan. 27 .- Maurice Grau met the directors of the Metropolitan later, but travels at a higher speed and Opera and Real Estate company yesto ill health, he would be unable to are true." sign the five year lease of the Metrolatter switches from track No. 2 into Politan opera house, which the company track No. 4 to permit the Royal Blue had prepared and which was ready for his signature. It was decided that the company would not undertake to present opera next season nor assume the ed orders to proceed on the express responsibility of backing any one in truck to Dunneilen an othere take the such a venture. It is expected, howoutside or No. 4 track. Shortly after ever, that a successor to Mr. Grau will be found who will accept the same terms that were assumed by him.

M'CONNELL MAY SUCCUMB.

Little Hope for Pugilist Injured in the Fight at San Francisco.

ward end of that car into the rear end a recent bout with "Spider" Welch, and of the car ahead, which in turn was whose skull is thought to be fractured. driven into a third car and this in turn is so critical he may die at any hour, into a fourth car from the rear. The says a dispatch to the Tribune from

He appears to be in a stuper, and scarcely answers to his name. At St. rails and turned over on its side, the Mary's hospital last night it was reported the boxer could not recover.

NAVAJO INDIANS IN DISTRESS

Denver, Jan. 27.-A republican special from Durango, Col, says: It has become known here that statements contained in dispatches to the press regarding the destitute condition of the Navajo Indians, though disputed by some, are true. The Indians are starying in crowds. Many of them are poorly clad and the weather has been unusually severe. Those acquainted with the situation urge that the government must do something at once for their relief or hundreds of the Indians will perish.

RAIN CAUSES DAMAGE.

Marshfield, Ore., Jan. 28.-Rains of inst week caused Coos and Coquille rivers to flood the valleys, blocked telegraphic communication, and caused great damage to farms. Several bridges on Coos Bay railroad were washed out and numerous landslides occurred.

San Francisco, Jan. 27 .- Unusually heavy rainstorms passed over the entire state of California today. In this city an inch fell. A heavy wind accompanied the rain and crippled telegraphic service badly.

WILL ADVANCE WAGES.

Wolcott leaders "for conspiring with advisement by officials of the company and President Underwood says liam J. Davidson as the conspirators there is no probability of a disagreement over the terms between the road

HONOR FOR PORTLAND BOY.

Stanford University, Calif., Jan. 27 .endeavor to embarrass, hinder and ob- weeks.

LESSLER ON THE STAND

Brands Doblin's Story of Alleged by nonunion men arrived at the Center Collusion Scheme as Unequivocally False. filled that there were a number stand-

INVESTIGATION IS FINISHED

Subcommittee Will Prepare Report of Findings in the Case and Submit It to Full Committee,

Washington, Jan. 27.-The house com mittee on naval affairs today concludstaying by him to the end, and this, of ed the taking of testimony in the incourse, puts the election of any other that committee on the proposition to the valuation of the Fair property. purchase submarine torpedo boats. An executive session was held by committee at the conclusion of the afternoon session. A subcommittee consisting final action.

terday by Philip Doblin. "I desire to of his library in his boyhood days. deny," he said at the outset of his detailed statement, "absolutely and unequivocally as false the statement made by the witness, Doblin, here yesany of the substantial details sworn to in this city by him here, and desire to reiterate terday and informed them that, owing that the facts as originally told by me

QUAY STILL ON TOP.

Hand in Senate.

Washington, Jan. 27.-Senator Quay made an effort today to hold the senthe statehood bill, but failed to hold a quorum and was compelled to allow the test the sentiment of the senate, the Rhodessia, East Africa. vote standing 17 to 29 in his favor.

The day was spent in consideration of the statehood bill, with the exception of an hour devoted to a speech by Scott of West Virginia on pension laws. The and at the same time drove the for- Frank McConnell, the boxer injured in feature of the statchood bill under special consideration today was the Acizona refunding proposition. It was charged that the territory has sought to repudiate bonds held by Bird S. Coler, late democratic candidate for governor of New York state.

IN THE LOWER HOUSE.

Washington, Jan. 27 .- The house devoted today to bills reported from the judiciary committee passing about Most of them were of a minor character, but two were of general importance. One was to meet the decision of the supreme court by making intexicating liquors imported into the state subject to the jurisdiction of the several states. The bill is designed to prevent evasion under the original package decision of the liquor laws in prohibition states. The other bill is the senate bill to increase the salaries of federal judges.

ELKINS BILL REPORTED. Washington, Jan. 27.-Senator Clay today reported to the senate the Elkins bill agreed on by the interstate commerce committee yesterday.

SAYS HOWARD KILLED GOEBEL

Shot Was Fired From Window Powers' Private Office.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 27.-A Frankfort special to the Courier-Journal says "James B. Howard of Clay county fired the shot that killed William Goebel," said Henry E. Youtsey in his confession as to his part in and knowledge of the conspiracy which terminated inthe assassination of the democratic claimant to governorship.

"He said that the shot was fired from the front window in the private office of Secretary of State Caleb Powers, and New York, Jan. 27.-The question of that he and Jim Howard were the only advancing the pay of engineers of the persons inside the room. He named Erie railroad has been taken under William S. Taylor, Charles S. Findlay, Caleb Powers, John L. Powers, Wilwith him.

STRIKERS RUN BUSSES.

Waterbury, Conn., Jan. 27 .- For the first time in over two weeks since the beginning of the strike of the motormen emocratic leader to the United States Alfred L. Trowbridge, '95, of Portland, and conductors of the Connecticut senate, who, with all his great abilities Ore., has been chosen by the sopho- Railway and Lighting company, a regand experience, will for six years exert, more baseball team to captain the class, ular schedule was adopted for cars to team in the series of inter-class games | be run after dark last night. A feadent, Theolore Roosevelt, and who will to be played during the next three ture of vesterday was the running busses by the strikers. Carry-alls

and motormen during the evening on all the streets which have trolley cars. and had considerable patronage. A large crowd collected at the Center as the busses collected their passengers As their Waterville and Owaville outfits were loading, a trolley car manned and immediately there emerged from the crowd a large number of persons who took the car. The car was so

FAIR ROBBERY EXPLAINED.

Imitations of Valuable Jewelry Made in Order to Avoid Robbery.

ing in the aisle.

New York, Jan. 27.-The Francais, accoring to the Herald's Paris correspondent, says the explanation of the Fair jewel mystery is that Mrs. Fair had caused fac similes of her most valuable jewels to be made and left the real ones in America. She carried the false jewels with her in order to avoid robbery and difficulty with the Amerivestigation of the charges made by can customs. Even her own maid did Representative Lessler that an attempt not know that this was false. This had been made to influence his vote in was found out by a Paris furrier at

NEW CARNEGIE LIBRARY.

Manhattan, Kan., Jan. 27.-Andrew of Representatives Foss, Dayton, Tay- Carnegie has offered Manhattan \$10,000 lor, Myer and Kitchen was appointed for a public library upon the usual conto draw up a set of findings to be sub- ditions. A fund of \$4000, enough to mitted to the full committee for its maintain the library for four years, has already been raised. Manhattan is Representative Lessler took the stand the home of the late Colonel C. G. An- Levi Ankeny by the close of the presand dealed the statements made yes- derson, who gave Mr. Carnegie the use

G. W. T. LORD DEAD.

Paris, Jan. 27.-George W. T. Lord terday as to any collusive scheme or of New York is dead at his residence leased them from further supporting

> Mr. Lord was a member of the American chamber of commerce in Paris and date. It is believed that seven of them was formerly senior member of the will not sign a caucus agreement. firm of Lord & Taylor of New York, retiring several years ago.

Test Vote Shows That He Has Upper SUPPLIES FOR AFRICAN STATION.

New York, Ian. 27,-The Mission society of the Methodist Episcopal ate in continuous session to consider church has shipped from New Preston's strength. The move places York 27 cases of hospital and medical goods for the equipment of a hospital in event of the King county delegation senate to adjourn at 6:08 p. m. He suon to be started in connection with joining in the general senatorial cancus secured another ballot, however, to the old Umatilla mission station at

SURE THING FOR ANKENY

Walla Walla Man Will Be Elected Senator From Washington by End of Week.

OPPOSITION IS BREAKING UP

King County Delegation Will Not Remain Out of Caucus After Saturday-Elections Elsewhere.

Olympia, Jan. 27 .- One ballot was taken on United States senator today

and resulted as follows: Ankeny 53 Preston 43 Turner (dem.)22 Wilson 9

Allen 6 Four members were paired. The vote

Preston has been notified by members of his own delegation, that of King county, that they will not stay out of the senatorial caucus longer than Saturday night.

All sides are conceding the election of

WILSON RELEASES SUPPORTERS Olympia, Jan. 27-At a meeting of his nine supporters held this evening exhim. Wilson made no attempt to throw his support to any other candi-

A move designed to prevent the threatened break in the ranks of the King county delegation was player tonight when pro-commission members numbering 20 odd in caucus declined to stand by their anti-caucus agreement regardless of the pending break in the responsibility for Preston's defeat

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