

THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

From All Parts of the New World and the Old.

OF INTEREST TO OUR READERS

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Culled From the Telegraph Columns

Bloemfontein is badly in need of water. The total British losses in the Boer war are now 23,000.

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 183 to 133.

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, in the Carnegie Company.

An international naval demonstration will soon take place at Taku Chin, the gulf of Pe Chi Li, China.

During a fight with riotous laborers in New York, one Italian striker was killed and several wounded.

At the Georgia Populist convention, Senator Marion Butler, of North Carolina, was denounced as the "chief of assassins."

George W. Hall, 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.

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 shipped to Berlin.

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.

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

General Lee has been appointed to command the new department of Havana and Pinard de Rio.

Nicaragua has landed troops in Columbian territory. The nature of the movement is not understood.

A 2 1/2-year-old child was scalded to death by falling into a tub of hot water and lying near Ashland, Or.

Indians attempted to rescue the murderers of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hopton, 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 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 Louisiana, to guard against choleraic 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 of its members, the carpenters, causing 1,500 men to walk out.

Two negro murderers were executed at Sumnerville, Texas. When sentenced 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.

Great Britain's naval estimates amount to \$20,000,000.

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 arrived at Havre.

It costs \$4,400 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. Poe for the Rockefeller fleet was launched at the Globe yards in Cleveland, O. It is 490 feet long and will carry 9,000 tons of iron ore.

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

LATER NEWS.

Congress will adjourn in June. The milk trust of Chicago is broken.

War taxes will not be reduced at this session of congress.

Great Britain will levy a tax on mines to pay the expenses of the war.

A burglar entered a saloon in Chehalis, Wash., and took \$500 in silver.

Four men were killed and several injured in a drunken riot of coal miners near Johnstown, Pa.

Heavy rain and snow storms in the vicinity of Denver are causing much delay to railroad traffic.

John Hamigan, aged 63, one of the best-known horse trainers in the country, died at Milledale, Ky.

Two Mexican outlaws held up a gambling house in Johnson, Arizona, and killed a prominent mining man.

Rev. William J. Rutledge, of Jacksonville, Ill., prominent Methodist minister and originator of the G. A. R., is dead, aged 86.

The legislature of Trinidad has rejected the offer of Canada for reciprocal trade and adopted the convention with the United States.

Two hundred or 300 families bought 1,200 acres of land near Eugene, Or., with the intention of dividing it up into 40-acre tracts and working on the colonization plan.

Burglars at Toronto, Ont., dug through the nine-inch brick wall of the residence of a millionaire, called the Metropolitan School of Voice and Singing. Edward de Reeske and Mme. Nordica will give scholarships to the best gifted pupils under Minowsky, Maurice Grau and Andrew A. McCormick are lending their influence. Minowsky is a composer of note.

The Paris exposition was formally opened.

Filipinos are again active near Manila.

One man was killed and a boy fatally injured in a \$400,000 fire which occurred in Brooklyn.

During a fire in a coal mine near Pittsburg, Pa., one man perished and two others in the pit escaped.

During the siege of Ladysmith, General White's total losses from all causes were 169 officers and 3,163 men.

British people insist on a change in the army service, owing to the unsatisfactory conduct of the campaign against the Boers.

Three men are said to have found gold in quartz formation within two miles of Joplin, Mo., which assays \$40 to \$80 a ton.

A Chinaman, possessing documents bearing the seal of the court of Peking, identifying him as emperor, was arrested at Wu Chang.

The University of Edinburgh, Scotland, conferred the degree of LL. D. on Joseph H. Choate, United States ambassador to Great Britain.

At New York, 5,000 cigarmakers, employed by six of the largest firms in that city, have been locked out. No reason is given for the action.

Rufus Wright, a millionaire and treasurer of the firm of Morgan & Wright, bicycle tire manufacturers, was fatally shot by a woman in Chicago.

The cruisers Detroit and Marblehead and gunboats Bennington and Concord have been ordered out of commission, owing to the lack of a sufficient number of officers.

The Chinese government has sent 7,000 troops to Shan Ting to suppress the rebellion of the Chinese.

The transport Lake Erie, with upwards of 500 Transvaal prisoners, including French, German and Russian members of the foreign legion, captured at Boerhof, sailed from Cape Town for St. Helena.

The trial of Perico Pipin, who recently led a small uprising against the government, was ended with the conviction of the prisoner, who was sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment and to a fine of \$30,000 in gold.

Mrs. Kruger, wife of Oom Paul, on being interviewed, said that she trusted God would soon stop the merciless bloodshed, but that the republic would be victoriously defended, even if Pretoria were finally taken. She added that she had had in the field 33 grandsons, two of whom were killed, four sons, six sons-in-law, and numerous other relatives."

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 end.

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

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 year.

Gen. A. D. Shaw, national commander of the G. A. R., announces himself as a candidate for congress to succeed the late Charles A. Chickering of the Twenty-fourth congressional district of New York.

MODE OF ELECTING SENATORS

House Favors a Change to Popular Vote.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

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

Washington, April 16.—The house today, by a vote of 240 to 15, adopted a resolution for constitutional amendment providing for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people. Fourteen Republicans and one Democrat voted against it. By the terms of the resolution, the amendment submitted to the legislatures is as follows:

"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 the votes cast for candidates for senator shall be sufficient to elect. The electors in each state shall have the qualifications requisite for electors of the most numerous branch of the state legislatures, respectively.

"When a vacancy happens by death, resignation or otherwise, in the representation of any state in the senate, the same shall be filled for the unexpired term thereof in the same manner as is provided for the election of senators in paragraph 1; provided, that the executive thereof may make temporary appointment until the next general or special election, in accordance with the statutes or constitution of such state."

The remainder of the day was devoted to the consideration of private pension bills. During the course of the debate there were several sharp attacks 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 in taken to mean that they are being held off by his troops. The Boers in 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 position south of here has 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 perfect."

"The Boers in Natal appear incapable of any more aggressive movement at Eland's Laagte. Lord Methuen is at Zwartkopfontein, 12 miles east of Boerhof, and is sending a mail, swift columns through the adjacent country. Lord Chesham, commanding one of these, encountered a small commando of 100 men southeast of Zwartkopfontein. 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 bad way, and that the hope of relief is far off, as no force is advancing from the north."

The Boer peace envoys have documents—the Rome correspondent of the Daily News says—showing that urgent advice to the Transvaal to wage war were originally made by Germany. This correspondent also assesses a report that the German 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 the continued ill health of John Alderson Porter, secretary to the president, he has tendered his resignation, and the president has accepted it, to take effect May 1 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 28, 1863. His grandfather, Peter Cortelyou, for 40 years a member of the type-founding firm of George Bruce & Co., and his father, Peter Cortelyou, Jr., were prominent figures in New York business and social circles a generation ago.

Was Not a Boer Leader. Pretoria, April 16.—United States Consul Hays, in an interview, says the United States military attaché, participated in the fight near Sanna's Post is absolutely false. Captain Reichmann, it is said, was occupied most of the time attending upon the wounded Dutch lieutenant, Lieutenant Minkowsky, who has since died. Consul Hays has no doubt that Reichmann has been confused with the American Lieutenant Looberg, of the Free State artillery, who took a very active part in the fight.

Chicago, April 16.—The Illinois Manufacturers' Association, at its meeting last night, took the stand that there should be an early revision of the war revenue tax.

Yankee's Inheritance Tax. New York, April 14.—The appellate division of the supreme court today handed down a decision in the matter of the appraisal of the estate of the late William K. Vanderbilt. An order of Surrogate Fitzgerald, declaring a certain fund subject to the inheritance tax law was affirmed. This was a fund of \$5,000,000 held in trust for the benefit of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt.

One pound of cork will support a 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 given a verdict for \$50,000.

The Texas Flood. Houston, Texas, April 16.—The Colorado river flood has now reached Wharton, and half the town is under water. So far there has been only one casualty, a negro refugee being drowned in trying to reach to town.

Sentenced to Death. Toronto, Can., April 16.—Henry Williams, the burglar who shot and killed J. E. 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 nothing calling upon the government to interfere in the case.

The car has taken up the type-writer and owns a machine.

CHINESE REIGN OF TERROR.

Powerful Viceroy Protest to the Emperor Dowager.

Shanghai, April 16.—A full account has been received here of the meeting a session for the viceroy and the emperor dowager and the grand council. The protests were read from the viceroy and governors of nine of the 18 provinces against the policy of the emperor dowager. These officials are the greatest provincial authorities in China. They declared unitedly that if the emperor 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 Hanman troops who are anxious to fight the Manchus, and he fears he cannot control them. The viceroy who united in this remarkable protest includes the provinces of Kiang-Su, Anhui, Kiangsi, Hunan, Hupoh, Chekiang, Fookien, Quangsai and Kwangtung, with an aggregate population of 130,000,000.

Until this protest had been made, the dowager emperor had been having things quite her own way. Though she has desisted from her purpose to set up a puppet emperor, she has shown no abatement. It is unbounded. Kin Lien-Shan has been captured in the Portuguese colony of Macao, off the South China coast, by Li Hung Chang's detectives. Mr. Kin fled from Shanghai to Hong Kong, and was arrested by the national system of telegraphs in China, and headed the petition signed by 1,200 notables against setting up a new emperor. Probably he will be decapitated. An English law firm here has been retained to defend him.

The government has trumped up charges of defalcation against Mr. Kin, who is really a very able and enlightened man.

On March 1 instructions were wired from Peking to Soo Chow, capital of Kiang-Su, to arrest and put to death the reformers Wang Tung-Ho and Shen Pong. These men had been in very important positions in Peking, but were easily captured in Soo Chow. The chief reformer, Kang Yu Wei, has fled to Singapore. The emperor 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 captured.

BUILDING COLLAPSED.

Three Persons Killed and Number Injured in a Pittsburg Accident.

Pittsburg, April 14.—Without warning and with a rush and a roar, the four-story brick building at the corner of Second and Broadway streets collapsed today, burying in its ruins a number of people, three of whom were taken out dead, five were badly and several others slightly injured.

The building was occupied by the Armstrong, McKevy Lead & Oil Company. It was being erected by contractors McGovern and Lyde, 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 masonry walls were being put on the remodeled work. The firm this morning began the transfer of its stock from one room to the other, and apparently centralized the heavy weight of the leads and oils about the middle of the structure. The collapse began by the second floor breaking through, carrying with it the two floors above, making a breach from top 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 rear portion of the building heard the crash and ran out of the side door into Second avenue and escaped. The loss of the firm will be about \$40,000.

MASHONA IN MORE TROUBLE.

Cape Town, April 16.—An admiral in charge of the British fleet in these waters has refused to permit the British steamer Mashona, Captain Johnston, to proceed beyond Durban. The agents of the vessel announce that the cargo destined for Delagoa bay will be landed at Durban.

The British gunboat Partridge on December 8 captured the steamer Mashona, which had sailed from New York, November 3, via St. Vincent, November 6, for Algoa bay, loaded with flour for the Transvaal. The vessel was bound for Durban, but was released on bond and the prize court on March 13 rendered a verdict that a portion of the cargo was condemned, but that the steamer was formally released.

Plague Riots in India.

Bombay, April 14.—Plague riots have broken out in Bombay, 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 sullen. Troops and volunteers are patrolling the city, guarding the mills and factories.

Chicago Tailors Will Fight. Chicago, April 16.—A secret meeting of the Merchant Tailors & Drapers' Exchange was held last night. When the meeting broke up it was announced that the members of the exchange were opposed to receiving any participation from the stand taken in the fight with the Journeymen Tailors' Union in their demand for the back shop system.

The fire of genius is frequently extinguished by having cold water poured on it.—Chicago Daily News.

Transfer of Michigan Enterprise.

Cleveland, April 17.—Several Chicago capitalists have just purchased and took over all the interests of a number of well known Cleveland and New York papers, including Secretary of State John Hay and others, in the Publishing Land Company and the Publishing Railway Company, in Upper Michigan. One hundred thousand acres of hardwood timber are being bought by hand.

Auto Car Dashed Into Crowd.

Paris, April 18.—The Paris-Bouhaix auto car race yesterday morning led to a serious accident. Two competitors on motor bicycles collided and dashed at the speed of an express train into a crowd of 2,000 who had assembled at a cross road in the First of Saint Germain to witness their passing. Two bicyclists were knocked down, some having broken bones and many others being bruised. M. Charles Bos, wife of one of the deputies for the department of the Seine, sustained a hand fracture.

Francis' Great Exposition

The Gates Formally Thrown Open.

THE SHOW IS FAR FROM READY

Speeches of President Loubet and Minister Millerand—Compliments and Extent of American Exhibits.

Paris, April 17.—The exposition of 1900 is open, but it will be at least a month before anything but buildings is to be seen. The day's ceremonies were a peculiar mixture of pompous and splendid in the Salle des Fêtes, and wide spread confusion elsewhere. Nothing could have exceeded the picturesque stage setting in the beautiful building in which the ceremonies were held, the gorgeous uniforms of the diplomats and soldiers, the splendid compliments and cheers and the magnificent effect produced by the grand staircase, up which President Loubet proceeded to view the exposition, lined with some 200 picked men of the Republican guard, with jackboots, white breeches, gleaming swords and bayoneted rifles, and topped by shining helmets. At the top of this stairway was a room, the interior of which could be seen from the Salle des Fêtes, and this was hung with priceless gobelins from the Louvre. The magnificent apartment President Loubet entered and walked down the avenue to his boat. This part of the day's arrangement was perfect, but the rest was chaos.

The weather today was luckily all that could be desired. Fourteen thousand guests had been invited to the function, and they had, because of the fine weather, only the dust to endure. Had the day been wet, the unrolled paths of the exposition grounds would have been turned into a mass of mud. This afternoon was a holiday in Paris by general consent, and a host of country people crowded into the city to swell the multitudes, who from an early hour surged in the direction of the exposition and took up positions along the route of the presidential procession and at the approaches to the grounds.

The immense number of guests present swept the central streets clean of cars, of which an unbroken stream, several deep, drifted slowly toward the gates between noon and 2:30 P. M. Drifted in the correct expression for the rate of progress, because the traffic arrangements were so inadequate that the thousands of vehicles did not reach the exposition at all, and the occupants were either left stranded en route or were obliged to abandon their carriages and proceed on foot. This was the experience ordinarily adopted, even by several members of the diplomatic corps, who were obliged to leave the city of the Chinese embassy, after having walked several blocks, arrived in the Salle des Fêtes just in time to hear the cheering at the conclusion of the ceremony.

TROOPS CALLED OUT.

To Suppress Italian Strikers at Croton Landing.

Croton Landing, N. Y., April 17.—While everything is quiet and peaceful in the neighborhood of Croton dam tonight, nearly 300 armed deputies are guarding the works, and each one of them is guessing as to what tomorrow may bring forth. The striking Italian laborers, whose homes are in the vicinity of the dam, are behaving themselves excellently. But underneath their assumed quiet there is stubborn resolve not to go back to work nor let any outsiders take their places until the contractors agree to pay the increase of wages demanded. Strenuous efforts are being made by Italian Consul Branchi to bring about a settlement of the difficulty. The strikers are very determined in their demands, and swear that if outside labor is brought here they will fight tooth and nail to prevent it. Angelo Rotella, who is the recognized leader of the strikers, said today: "This is a fight to a finish. We earn more money than we are receiving, and the contractors must pay us for our work. The state should protect us, and instead of sending deputies and soldiers to help the bosses, they should send troops to treat us rightfully. If the bosses attempt to bring in other laborers here we shall prevent any work being done, and if the military come to help them, then we will fight the soldiers."

GAS MAIN EXPLODED.

One Man Instantly Killed and Five Probably Fatally Injured.

Logansport, Ind., April 18.—Too much pressure and a piece of defective gas pipe in the main of the Chicago Pipe Line Company at a joint four miles southeast of here was the cause of a terrific explosion today, in which Michael Ellison, Jr., was instantly killed, and five other men received injuries from which it is doubtful if they will recover. Twelve men were in the trench repairing a leak in a 10-inch main, from which the gas had been transferred to an eight-inch main near it. The men were around a "T" on the eight-inch main, and Ellison was stooping over it when the pipe exploded. He was found 150 feet away, his bones broken and having probably met instant death. George Morrison, in charge of the work, was sent sprawling on the ground 80 feet away, with gravel and dirt thrown into his face, his body wrenched, and his clothes torn and tattered. Will Briggs inhaled gas and was taken home unconscious. Three laborers were knocked down and bruised in a frightful manner. The rest of the men escaped with slight injuries from flying dirt and rock. The "T" weighs 1,000 pounds, and it was carried a distance of 50 feet. The explosion tore the ground for a distance of 400 feet, and was heard for miles, besides the heavy jar.

NATAL BOERS MOVING.

Natives Report They Have Left Eland's Laagte.

London, April 18.—A Ladysmith special, dated April 16, says that natives report that the Boers in Eland's Laagte have retired beyond Biggarsberg. This information tends to confirm the report that the Boers blew up three important bridges on the Orange River, completely destroying the same. A Cape Town dispatch says nearly 3,000 horses have landed there since April 13, which indicates that every effort is being made to remedy a great defect in the British organization.

The chief Boer delegate, accompanied by Dr. Leyds, visited the president of the Dutch cabinet today at the Hague, but the doings of the delegates create little speculation in England.

Frederick Villiers, the veteran war correspondent, who arrived at Southampton today from the front, said he believed that the worst of the war is over, but that guerrilla warfare will continue for some time.

A bulletin issued at Pretoria, April 18, reports that the burghers captured 500 slaughtered oxen, and that General Fremanan that day defeated the British, causing them to fly in the direction of Wolwerpot, apparently over the Orange river.

TROOPS ARE ON HAND

Groton Landing, N. Y., April 18.—The first bloodshed as the outcome of the strike at the Croton dam was the life blood of Sergeant Robert Douglas, of the Eleventh separate company, of Mount Vernon, who was shot by an unknown assassin while he was relieving guard at 8:50 o'clock last night. The wildest excitement prevailed throughout the camp as soon as the news of the assassination spread to the different tents, and the soldiers were ordered over the crime. The point where the sergeant fell is known as Post 10, which was in charge of Corporal McDowell. It is situated on top of the hill, near Little Italy, where armed strikers were seen during the morning about early this morning brandishing rifles and shotguns. The spot is high over the huge pile of masonry, and from it one can command a view of the country on each side up and down the Croton valley.

INDIANAPOLIS IN A CROWD.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 17.—A colored man riding a bicycle shot into a crowd of 30 boys in West Indianapolis this afternoon, wounding Clarence Vont in the hip and George Golder in the thigh. Both are seriously wounded. As the colored man was passing the crowd they began to chaff him and he fired. He then rode away, pursued by an infuriated mob of 100 people, who threw bricks, stones and clubs at him, but failed to overtake him. Cries of "lynch him" were heard on all sides. The man is said to have had another difficulty in the same vicinity about a month ago, and at that time threatened to shoot the police, but failed to locate the negro.

French Church Burned.

Paris, April 18.—The historic church of Notre Dame des Vertus, in the outskirts of Paris, was entered Sunday evening or Monday morning by vandals, who, after pillaging it, set it on fire. Several firemen were badly injured by burning brands. The interior of the church was found in a state of complete disorder, and the communications are believed to have been stolen, unless they are buried in the debris. One of the huge bells fell into the sacristy and three others were seen leaving the church just after the fire was discovered.

Attempted Murder and Suicide.

Carbondale, Ill., April 16.—Gus Young, a prominent young man of Murphysboro, shot and wounded Miss Kate Van Clooster and then blew out his brains in a temporary fit of jealousy. The lady was a real estate man and the lady was a member of one of the best families of Southern Illinois. She will recover.

Tornado's Work in Texas Town.

Dallas, Tex., April 17.—A special to the News from Royse, Tex., dated April 15, says: "A tornado struck this place at midnight, and it is believed that several lives have been lost. Eight houses were wrecked, and at this hour the greatest excitement prevails."

Pitcher Purchased for \$750.

Kansas City, April 17.—Manager Manning of the Blues, has closed a deal with Pittsburg for Pitcher Chumney Gray, formerly of Buffalo, purchasing him for \$750.

Chile Importing Wheat.

Santiago de Chile, via Galveston, Tex., April 17.—In consequence of the poor crops,