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MCKINLEY'S DIFFICULTIES The lot of the president-elect is anything but enviable, and if there is a to profit by the victories they won. spark of human sympathy in the breast of any individual it will be extended to the man who will take his seat as a new nation, he spurned the offer, for president of the United States on the the yoke of a monarchy was 4th of next month. Major McKinley what the patriots had battled to will take the presidential chair worse overthrow. Then it was when Washhandicapped than any other president who has been inaugurated, because greater things have been promised of his administration than of any of his predecessors, and still he will be more hampered in his actions than have been any of the other presidents. First of all, he will be expected to convene congress in extraordinary session for the purpose of revising the tariff and the money system, but he will encounter extreme difficulty to find data on

His favorite theory of political econprosperity is the home market for home products, coupled with an increased | SOME EXPLANATION NEEDED foreign market stimulated by reciprocal provisions, also the shutting out of foreign competition. But when he ar. At the port of New York alone,

pared with those of last year. was many millions more in 1896 than we had no reciprocal agreements.

demand have taken an active part, and the records of imports show that a prohibitive tariff is not necessary to protect the home market and is only useful to fill the pockets of the favored

measure All these combined circumparty, and this increase of taxation must fall upon the patriotic consumers who accepted the collar prepared by Mark Hanna for them to wear.

How much more enviable would be the lot of the president-elect if he could in his proclamation convening con- of silver, is not investing in enterprise gresss make the plain statement, that instead of flowing into the already the nation was in need of more revenue, on account of the extravagance practiged by congress, and recommending a tax on wealth instead of increased burdens on poyerty. McKinley's difficulties are many. They were not lessened by the ante-election promises, nor will they be lessened by the present circumstances.

## ABSENT YET PRESENT.

Tom Reed as a presiding officer over a deliberative body; but he can give the brainy speaker of the national house pointers never yet learned by him conserning parliamentary law. Reed the established a rule, and it was a good one too, that a man could no. be present and be recorded as absent. rownell has reversed the order, and tablished a rule that a man may be sent, still be recorded as present. At e of the meetings of the so-called Jint convention in Salem, Vaughn ad Hudson wrote to the speaker tellsickness, and asked to be excused. ownell said "if there were no objecon, Vaughn and Hudson would be re-

recorded Lt was a most unusual occurence that o men could be counted present hen they were away, sick and in bed ut this has been a very unusual session, and has done many unusual things. However, if this sort of proseedings were recognized by the national logislature it would be most convenient for members, who find it necessary to return to their respective states during sessions to look after reelection. For instance, our own senator, Hon. John H. Mitchell, could have written to the president of the senate, notifying him that he was unavoidably tained at Salem, and could have re nested some friend to have recorded is vote in all matters of importance. would be most convenient under such circumstances to be thus omnipresent-both absent and present at the same time.

THE FATHER OF HIS COUNTRY. But a new era was to dawn upon Chris- the present controversy. endom, and on Feb. 22, 1732, an infant was born whom destiny decreed was to was born whom desirely detected as to restore confidence by the Reckefeller, Hanna, et al., after being vened in extra session by a proclama adapted to her delicate organization by a regularly graduated physician, an exdained should become the leader of men, who should establish the greatprinciples of democracy—that man is a the November election. Almost four laborers and raise their wages. This rested and brought before the bar of

And this child grew into manhood where is that prosperity? Echo oped. other youths do, displaying no pe- answers, "where."

culiarly strong traits of character, un- THE LIMIT OF PROTECTION. til the time was propitious, until manhood asserted itself, and the patriots of America declared that all men were e eated equal, and that they would no longer submit to the tyranny of the British crown. Then George Washington arose before the world in the grandeur of his nature as a leader of men, as a self-sacrifleing spirit, ready to lay fortune, home, family, life at the altar of the country that gave him birth. Then the sterling qualities of the 'father of his country' became

Eight years of war ensued, in which Washington was the central figure. He was the leader of armies, the counelor of patriots. He was the one who led men to victory, who taught them When peace was declared and he was proffered a crown, to be made king of ngton rose in all the glory of his naure-capable of winning independence, and at the same time capable of sacrificing personal ambition and selfaggrandisement that the generations might profit by the independence and freedom that had been won, that a nation should be born where all its sub-

jects should be equal. Brave patriotic, grand George Washington! To him we owe the freedom we now enjoy, and it is just that he is which to base his proclamation conremembered as the father of his country, and that we with 65,000,000 other vening congress to tinker with the tariff, unless he deserts his former American freemen can say, "George Washington, first in war, first in peace and first in the hearts of his countrymen.'

Since the war against Mitchell has omes to look at recent reports of the in this direction can have little more retary of the treasury and thorough- effect, it might be well for the Oregony investigate the figures, he will find | ian to explain to its readers why it is that the home market is pretty well | that prosperity has not returned as a protected under the existing laws, and result of the election of Major McKinthat there is a steady decline in im- ley to the presidency. Just prior to ports, while our exports show an in- the November election, according to crease. Low as the import record was the Oregonian, prosperity was right at for last year, it is growing lower this hand, millions of capital were ready, even anxious, to invest in enterprises he imports for January fell off at the | that would give employment to hunrate of about \$4,000,000 a week as com- dreds of thousands of laborers, make a home market for everything produced On the other hand, he will find that on the farm and in the mills, but while the imports decreased last year was prevented through a lack of the exports steadily increased, and "confidence"-through fear that that the foreign trade of the country Bryan would be elected and the money debased. All that was necessary to in 1895, notwithstanding the fact that entice those millions into the channels of trade and set the wheels of com-In view of these facts it would seem | merce and manufacture moving, was that the well-known laws of supply and | the assurance that the gold standard, the beautiful gold standard, that syshave exploded a number of the major's tem of money that would make our and material for the food and clothing protection theories. More than this, dollar worth a dollar anywhere in the

world, should be maintained. The very thing that was needed to create prosperity materialized. Mc. increases our national wealth. These mittee would not have been as it now is Kinley was elected and with him a industries are not susceptible of proclasses. To make this emphatic the gilt-edged congress. Confidence was tection. Duties upon them are ule which will be entirely acceptable fron and steel manufacturers have restored. But the wheels of commerce neither a help nor a burden, are to the country, instead of having one gone and reduced the price of their stubbornly refuse to revolve. The absolutely ineffective, because the forced upon it by those whose interests fires in the factories have not been and abroad, showing that they are kindled. The doors of the great wareable to compete with the manufactur- houses for gold open to receive but not Consequently producers of these arto invest in enterprise. The laborer Then if the major urges his high is without work. Hunger, want, tariff theory as a revenue measure, the misery exist in every locality where decreasing revenues under the 1890 the unemployed are numerous. These law will down his argument, for that are deplorable conditions, but they market alone, whase price is enhanced law was a decided failure as a revenue actually exist. Still their existence cannot be attributed to any threat of stances leaves the Ohio major standing | changing our financial system or to a on rather slippery ground. He is threat to reduce the tariff, for we have practically reduced to the plain state- a president elected who is wedded by ant that he is forced to convene con- the declarations of his party platform gress for the purpose of increasing to maintain the present gold standard taxes that will produce more revenue and increase the tariff duties on lines In order to fulfill the pledges of his of protection and revenue. He is backed by a congress also pledged to these principles. Then why is it the promised prosperity has not come?

## congested money marts?

have posed for some time as the only the only legally-organized house, the only ones who are showing a willinghave their acts been consistent with their organization has been questioned by the senate, the governor, secretary duced in proportion. of state and state printer, yet no effort has been made by them to establish

the points for which they contend. readily have determined the constitucourting investigation and establishare those who compose the lower house

As an unrelenting, foolbardy and senseless fighter of an opponent the Oregonian has few equals. By its the country. abuse of the opposition to Dolph two years ago it succeeded in defeating him, and the course it has pursued in opposing Mitchell has had the effect to cement his forces and throw sympa- and means committee are on the same thy to him. Its last effort in this direc- basis as the system that made McKin-In an humble Virginia home 165 porting to be from J. M. Hipple, of one that demonstrates how thoroughyears ago a child was born of unpre- Jefferson, O., stating that the writer is ly the wealth of the country dominates entious parents, common people, for a brother of Senator Mitchell, and all legislation. The coal barons are hen all but those who had the "blue wants information as to the status of called in to fix the coal schedule; the blood" of kings, lords and dukes cours- the senatorial contest. In this saide iron, and steel men to say how much ing their veins were called "commor." effort the Oregonian parades a circum- protection they demand, and so on In those days the divine right of kings stance that will never be forgotten, through the entire list of the articles was still recognized throughout the that Senator Mitchell's real name was that are to go in the Dingley bill. that the resolution adopted by a major sary as it is distressing. Dr. Pierce's world, and rulers were born through Hipple, though it has long since been This method is beautiful in its simworld, and the date was unconstitutional. There are strengthens and cuts no figure in plicity and, of course, can not but be date was unconstitutional. There are strengthens and invigorates. It is pre-

"All that is necessary to create prosorinciples of democracy the senate to show cause why he should for women. torer of confidence" was elected, and have the characteristic highly devel- absent himself therefrom. In this

The great exponent of the principles of protection, the Oregonian, which has held up the protective principle as one of the necessary adjuncts of prosperity, has at last had the scales removed from its e es, and frankly admits that protection to the agriculturalist, who is the bone and sinew of the country, the primary producer of wealth, is a myth. This admission was made in the following editorial which appeared in the issue of Feb. 20, and requires no comment.

"There are signs that the United States is approaching, if it has not actually reached, the absolute economic limits of the application of the policy of protection to most American industries. Many of these, like the teel industry, have reached a stage of levelopment where they can dispense with protection: where, indeed, it is neffective, because the pressure of iomestic competition has reduced price pelow that for which the product can be imported.

"This result always has been foreseen by rational protectionists. Protection has been urged by its wiser advocates as a temporary expedient only. A time would come, it has always been held by those having faith in the resources of our country and the skill and energy of our people, when protection would be unnecessary-indeed. mpracticable-because we should prowhich our soil and climate are fitted come so soon as now seems probable: indeed, it could not have come so soon articles produced for the home market

alone. This influence has been reinforced powerfully within the last ten transit and communication among nations, by pressure of world-wide competition in production of articles not susceptible to protection, because we already produce a surplus for export and prices are made in the world's of all products for the home market by limiting the ability of consumers to pay for them. All our great industries are in touch, and each reacts upon the others. If prices and wages in some are pressed down by world competition, prices and wages in others must follow

competition. "The great industries of this county always have been, and probably for generations to come will be, agricultural. The most important articles of our commerce, home and foreign, are wheat and cotton, corn and cattle in the form of meat, products of the soil, of nations. These and others like

protection of these others from direct

made in the markets of the world. tion to themselves, have no compen- says: sation for the tax they pay as consum-

by protective duties. "This did not matter so long as were renumerative, even with wastoful methods of production and an extravagant mode of living, and our export trade was highly profitable. But conditions have changed greatly in the last ten years. The price of all these Why is it that capital, which was scared into hiding by the threat of opening the mints to the free coinage munication on land and sea. All our

cannot help these interests. They sell The members of the Benson house to the world, and must take the he is the absolute boss of the re- the republicans would ordinarily have world's price. The only escape is to publican party in Oregon, the goal for no objection to anything which would honest legislators, the only ones whose produce and live more cheaply, so as to acts were consistent with their pledges, maintain their industries at the reduced price. That is to say, since the income of farmers has been reduced, ness to legislate for the state. But their outgo for freight, impliments, has been able to prevent the organinumber, food and clothing not yielded zation of the legislature or lines actheir pretensions? The legality of by the farm, house furniture and all ceptable to Simon for a period of forty articles of consumption must be re-"This makes the farmers of the United States who produce for export, question of who is boss has not been their claim of regularity, and for this consciously or unconsciously, the there is no excuse. Abundant oppor- enemies of the protective system, and worthies have been fighting over the tunity has been offered within the creates an economic pressure for re- bone, it appears to a casual observer

past month for them to have forced a duction of prices held up by tariff, that another element has stepped in lecision from the supreme court upon which cannot be resisted for long. and got away with the meat, or at The agricultural interests see the least will get away with it when the Had they courted a legal opinion on crisis dimly, and have been striving next state election shall occur. Behe legality of their organization, to adjust themselves to it. First they tween Mitchell and Simon, the repubabundant opportunity was offered. attack the railroads, the source of lican party in Oregon has been the inconsistent policy is enforced of homeless. They could have any day had one of their nearest and greatest expense in wrecked. While they were contending their members arrested and brought marketing their products. The rail- for the honor of being boss some hisinto the house, and habeas corpus pro- roads are accused of taking all the tory has been manufactured, and the product of labor, particularly those ceedings could have been instituted to profit, and reduction of rates is de- last chapter of that history will be test if the house had legal jurisdiction manded. This must be conceded, as it written in June, 1898, when the people the laborer must pay a high price for over its members. A bill could have has been conceded in large measures of the state will sit as a jury to decide been sent to the state printer, and pro- but the concession only removes the if the stewardship of the republican seedings begun to force him to print pressure one step. The railroads can party, led by bossism, has been good. the same. Either of these acts would no more bear all the loss than the farm- The verdict will be "nit." ers. They must and do demand comtionality of the organization, and could pensation from their employes, whose readily have been brought before the wages they reduce, and from all of supreme court. In the absence of any whom they buy, from steel-rail mills effort to get a decision from the courts and locomotive and car works down. upon the regularity of their organiza- This brings the pressure where the tion, we conclude they have not been farmer has already brought it, by his altogether honest in their claims of simultaneous demand for cheaper clothing, implements, furniture, etc., ing the fact that they and they alone upon the protected industries of the country, and they must yield in turn, hough the inevitable result will be great reduction in the wages of labor. The break in price of steel rails and

the cut of wages in South Chicago is McKINLEY TARIFF METHODS. The tariff-hearings that have been conducted by the congressional ways tion is a letter published today, pur- ley's fame. It is a simple method and bugged? How long will they place speedy decision from the supreme laws upon the statute books that en- court can be had upon the question able the manufacturers to charge from | Will Mr. Simon pursue a legitimate eight to eleven dollars per ton more course to establish his ruling, or will for steel rails, for instance, to the he follow in the footsteps of Benson. American buyer than the same could and neglect to take steps to substanbe laid down from a foreign market, tiate his rulings through the medium and at the same time the manufacturer of the courts? Responsibility in this is underselling all competitors in the matter has been shifted from Benson markets of Japan and Mexico.

P. T. Barnum was authority for the await his action. statement that the American people liked to be humbugged, and nothing could more fully justify his assertion than the fact that they are willing to turn over to the multi millionaires of the country the tax making

ower of the government. it possesses merit, and the time will come when it will be enacted into a WOOL AND THE PEOPLE. law. The till provides for the estab-The Philadelphia Ledger is of the lishment and maintenance of a postal opinion that the disagreement of the telegraph system. A marked reducwool growers and the woolen manufacturers was a good thing after all, "a by the measure, which provides for the provident disagreement." rs it terms it. The disagreement certainly showed at the rate of ten cents for the first ten the people how they were victimized words or less, exclusive of the address by the tariff robbers where they agreed. The Ledger says the schedule prepared and presented by Judge Lawrence, president of the Wool Growers' Association, would afford a much higher measure of protection than the McKinley tariff: that in fact it is virtually prohibitory, and one that would may be deposited in any letter likely wreck any party which imposed it. It goes on to say that even the atduce all articles of consumption for tempt under the McKinley tariff to harmonize the wool and woolen schedmore cheaply than they could be im- ules was unsatisfactory. "Indeed," ported. No one expected that time to declares the Ledger, "the excessive McKinley duties upon wool and woolens were the chief cause of that popular through the influence alone of pressure | discontent which made itself manifest of domestic competition upon price of at the poles in 1892 and swept out of power the party that imposed them." When the great political revolution of tal telegrams. This measure, it is safe that year was accomplished and a demoto assert, will meet with the combined years, with increase of facilities of cratic congress and executive supopposition of the telegraph monopoplanted a republican congress executive, Speaker Reed is stated to have bring about its defeat. said: "It was the women who did it it was the women at the head of the homes of the whole country, who, going to the stores, were compelled to market. This presses down the price pay McKinley's prices' for woolen clothing of every sort, and for woolen Now what will Foraker do? carpets, that did it. There was nothing made of wool, either wholly or partly, which was not enormously enhanced in price by the McKinley tariff, and it was the women shoppers, who are the buyers for the households, who

by sympathetic reaction, in spite of sent their husbands to the polls to vote for the party that pledged itself to revise the tariff which was taxing so heavily the necessities of living." All that is indisputable, but the Ledger made a rather strange admis- these great artists. sion, one that gives the whole question of tariff legislation for the purpose of

protection away. It says: "It is not altogether regretable that the woolgrowers and the woolen manufacturers have been able to agree upon them we produce for export, and their a common schedule of duties. Had sale abroad extends our commerce and they done so, the ways and means comfree to frame a wool and woolen sched-

Since they throw it back to be settled by the committee, that body will have other places. prices of our agricultural products to settle it without regard to the wishes of either interest, but solely

#### country as a whole." SPARRING FOR POINTS.

articles has been pressed down by com- at Salem one of the most gigantic petition in the world's markets by sparring matches ever witnessed in the cheap land and labor in various parts United States, and the end is not vet. | manger goes on. of the world, brought in touch with The principals in the ring were John Europe by extension of steam com- H. Mitchell and Joe Simon, and time agricultural interests suffer under a points, for no referee can at this date so as to deprive Cleveland of its credit. depression which exacts extreme determine who is entitled to the It says they would rather have the economy in production and living as championship celt. Each of the credit of the adoption of the treaty go the alternative of ruin. Protection worthy pugilists has scored some de- to McKinley's administration than which each was contending.

Simon has defeated Mitchell and

prevented his re-election as United States senator, but in return Mitchell days and has left that gentleman in charge of the state house, but without a very heavy following. Still the vital determined. However, while these

WHAT WILL SIMON DO! The legislative problem has become a sort of chestout, and no doubt the reading public is tired of hearing the subject mentioned, for it has been the theme of comment in the Oregon press for the past 40 days, still it is such a muddle that we may be pardoned for referring to it once more. As the situation now stands nobody knows for a certainty whether we have had a session of the legislature or whether it still exists, though it now devolves upon Mr. Simon, president of the senate, to get a decision of the courts, as to whether the senate has adjourned. or whether it is still in session. This becomes an imperative duty upon Mr. Simon, and it devolves upon him to get an early decision in the matter. Even if the house could be organized now it would be useless if the senate has really adjourned, for it could not proceed with business any more than

the senate could while the house was unorganized. Abundant opportunity is offered Mr. Simon for making a test of his ruling as "female weakness." It is as unneceshighly beneficial to the workingmen. a number of senators who will refuse to For nothing can be more easily de- again enter the senate until a decision other. It's the only medicine now before monstrated than that Messrs. Carnegie, from the courts is had or they are con the public for woman's peculiar ailments, have the characteristic highly developed.

How long will the people be humabsent himself therefrom. In this manuer the matter can at once be brought before the circuit court, and a pensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

Postoffice at Mount Ange Entered by Burglars.

RIVERS ON THE RISE

High Water Causes Heavy Damage to Property In Kentucky.

Flood in Pennsylvania-Freight Handle Failure in Virginia -Hung Himself in the Sell.

tion in telegraph rates is contemplated transmission of message? any distance and signature. The proposed system is to be operated in connection with the postoffice and under the direction of the postmaster-general, who shall cause to be issued postal telegraph cards of the denomination of ten, fifteen and twenty cents. These eards box, the same as mail matter. The bill further provides that the moneyorder system now in operation shall, as soon as practicable, be adapted to the postal telegraph, and that the charge for transmitting money orders the country locking for them. within the United States, wherever RIVERS ARE ON THE RISE. money-order offices are established shall be the rates now charged upon money orders transmitted by mail, in Kentucky. addition to the regular charge for pos-

## lies, and no effort will be spared to

EDITORIAL NOTES

to Simon, and the people of Oregon

POSTAL TELEGRAPH.

There is no possibility of Congress

man Maguire's bill for creating a pos-

this session of congress, nevertheless

at telegraph system becoming a law at

At last Governor Bunnell has had to give in to the demands of McKinley to make Mark Hanna U. S. senator

A defective sidewalk cost the city of Spokane \$10,500. Here is an object esson by which The Dalles may well profit. It is better to pay money for

Theater goers of The Dalles are all delighted to know that the Hext Concert Company has made a date here, and that on March I, they will be favored with an opportunity to hear

It is estimated that the total appropriations of the present congress will be considerably more than \$1,000,-000,000, and will overton the greatest expenditures of any previous congress by \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000. This explains the howl for more revenue prior to the last election. The bigger the appropriations the more excuse for laying heavy taxes for the benefit of tree half a mile down stream. Neighthe favored bounty grabbers.

A company has been incorporated at Union for the purpose of establish The New York Tribune, comment- ing a woolen mill at that place. This ricles, getting no benefit from protec. stantially the same admission. It like occurence in The Dallos. The first thing we know all the golden op-"The question at issue between wool portunities for making The Dalles a ers of articles made for the home growers and manufacturers might great manufacturing city will slip by, have been settled wisely by them. as one by one the enterprises that should come here are being located in

Mitchell took his wing of the legislature to Portland, and will throw the which was washed from the mountainwith respect to the welfare of the blame of no session upon Simon. In side in Breathitt county. Two women return Simon held his forces in the whose names could not be learned capital, and will endeavor to show that Mitchell is the primary cause of ob- Bell county. struction on account of calling off his minions after the forty days of wrangling. And still the drama of dog in the

The opinion of the Globe-Democrat is that the opponents of the arbitration alone will tell who scored the most treaty are trying to delay its adoption, cided points, but neither can say that they would to Cleveland's. Of course heighten the prestige of an administration belonging to their own party.

A Salem press correspondent quotes Senator Mitchell as saying that he dose not care whether he is re-elected or not. Either that correspondent is an awful liar or Mr. Mitchell thinks the people are all fools. Actions speaks louder than words, and the enator's acts for the last year indicate that he is not only anxious but very anxious to be returned to the senate. If he had no care in this matter, he would be in Washington today attend-

If immigrants were taxed, labor at it would increase the revenue. Now river banks have been made utterly taxing everything the laborer con- ro BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION sumes, by placing heavy duties on the products controlled by a trust, so that the necessities of life and accept a low price for his labor, or give away to the even cheaner imported labor.

parte, one of the most forceful men in all history, a man entinually wrap

mpaigns, in plots success and powera man whose utter world has ever seen -this man found uphs because he to bequeath his greatness. Joseph-ine \*as divorced for this rea largely for this rea-son. Many women bearing children.

Every child deserves the heritage of The children cannot receive this from a sickly mother. There is no reason why they should have such a thing Favorite Prescription cures all forms of distinctly feminine sickness. It purifies, just this one purpose and adapted to her delicate organization by

the combined sales of all other medicines

THE SAFE BLOWN OPEN

WOODBURN, Or., Feb. 23.-The post office at Mount Angel was entered by ourglars last night. Entrance was effected through a rear door, some time during the latter part of the night. The postoffice safe was blown open and about \$100 in stamps and \$75 in money taken. After looting the pestoffice, the burglars tried to effect an entranc o Barney Oswald's saloon, but were rightened away by a butcher, who slept in hi-shop in the adjoining building. The burglars afterward tried to break into the carhouse, for the purpose, it is supposed, of securing a handcar on which to ride out of the county. No clew has yet been obtained as to their identity. Parties are scouring

#### High Water Causes Beavy Damage

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 23.-Streams in Kentucky are out of their banks men were drowned in Eastern Kenaway and outhouses ruined.

hitt counties the flood is doing much | could be given. good sidewalks than for broken limbs. damage. Jameson, the county seat of the latter county, is partly under water. At Beattyville much valuable

are the lumbermen, who have lost thousands of dollars' worth of timber. bridge. M. E. Patterson and wife attempted to cross. Mrs. Patterson was carried away. The woman caught a

bors made a raft and reached her. In this city the Kentucky river is out of its banks and higher than since 1893. The entire west end of the city is inundated. All but two blocks of Prineville is covered, while a number of little towns along the north fork of the Kentucky river are under water. The people have been forced to seek shelter in the mountains.

Reports from Jackson and other places say there has been loss of life and property. Mrs. Hutsell and little daughter were drowned in their house.

WATERS ARE RECEDING

The Flood in Pennsylvania Has Done It

PITTSBURG, Feb. 24.-The great are now receding. A cold wave broke the back of the flood. Reports from all points between Pitsburg and the headwaters indicate the danger has passed. The river in this vicinity reached a higher stage than at any time since 1884. The Monongahela registered 29 feet 6 inches, and the Allegheny 30 feet 9 inches. At 10 o'clock this morning the water had fallen a foot since midnight.

Hardly a point on the Monongahela river from Fairmount to Pittsburg escaped damaged. Mills built supposedly out of harm's way were submerged. The damage is not less than \$1,500,000 in the Monongahela valley.

From the headwaters of the Youglogheny also came a torrent that brought destruction to valuable property. The railroads were unable to move trains. Trolley lines were badly of valuable machinery. Poor people last would have some protection and who lived in small houses along the 400.

Chill-Argentina Dispute to be Peaceably

NEW YORK, Feb. 24 .- A Herald dis-

patch from Valparaiso says: An important cabinet meeting was held to consider the question of the final disposition of the Peruvian provinces of Tacna and Arica. Cheering admissions have been made by the government as to the progress of negotiations with Argentina looking to the settlement of the boundary dispute with that republic. It is stated that the commissioners of Chile and Argentina have arrived at a perfect understanding as to the boundary line through Atacama. This is highly important, as the line at this point was the chief bone of contention, involving relations with Bolivia.

If this line should be determined by arbitration, as now proposed, a signal lations with Argentina will have been

FIGHTING WITH FIRE.

Governor's Pulace at times Burned h the Rebels. CANEA, Island of Crete, Feb. 24.

The governor's palace, with all the broke out elsewhere in the town at the given. same time it is suspected incendiaries have been at work. The situation is most grave. Armed and excited Mussulmans are parading the streets full of indignation at the news from Selino, 1100 voters have attended to that pre-Benghazi Arabs threatened to burn the list last year. the whole of Canes.

While the palace was burning a strong box containing £7000 in gold fell into the ruins and broke open, whereupon there was a wild rush by Turkish soldiers and - Mussulmans to secure the treasure. The foreign marines were obliged to fire blank cartridges to restrain them and for a time a serious conflict between the Turks Or. Price's Cream Baking Powder a failure. and Europeans was threatened.

The admirals are about to issue a roclamation in all the towns and villages, explaining the reason for the presence of the foreign fleets in Cretan waters, and exhorting tranquility The population is so divided in inveterate hatred that schemes for reform are fatile. The best plan, it is argued, is to permit the Greek troops to occupy the country and escort the besieged Mussulmans abroad, for the Mussul-

nans cannot remain in Crete. The suggestion of the consuls that a oreign force be landed at Sclino to cover the retreat of the beleagured Mussulmans has not been adopted, the available number of marines being insufficient. In view of the large force of insurgents, the admirals have decided to confine their action to the TICKETS, dispatch of warships to Selino. Attacks by insurgents continue at

various points. The insurgents have descended into the plains behind the convent of Chrysophighi and set fire to the Mussulman houses.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 24.—The presence of a destructive flood is felt here very preceptibly today. While estimates eretofore limited the flood to 60 feet, levelopments today make it appear that figure will be exceeded. Incoming passengers on roads that use th Grand Central depot were compelled to debark at Eighth-street transfer de

Up Mill Creek valley one of the sadest sights is the utter destruction of vast areas of hotbeds, where innumer able vegetable gardeners earn a living. Every foot of the rise from now on adds vastly to the discomfort, and loss that must ensue to families driven to the upper stories or out of their houses

Commission Will Not Be Appointed. WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.-Members of and doing unmeasurable damage. Four the house committee on Pacific railways have practically decided to abantucky and one man in Butler. Much | don the attempt to bring up in the stock has been lost, fencing swept house at this session the bill for the establishment of a commission to settle The greatest damage is feared in the the debts of the Pacific roads. When nountains. News comes from Prine- the application was made to the comville that two men, while crossing a mittee on rules for a day to consider raging stream, were drowned, and the bill, the committee wanted assuralso a revenue officer who was in the ance that the opponents of the measmountains looking after moonshiners. | ure in the senate would not make the Names are not given. It is feared the action of the house, if it passed a bill, loss of life and property will be large. a waste of time, by filibustering against In Perry, Knott, Letcher and Breat- the measure. No such assurances

Leavenworth Soldiers' Home WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.-The report of the house special committee approperty has been swept away. Among pointed to investigate the management the heaviest losers in the mountains of the Leavenworth Soldiers' Home has been completed. It recommends the removal of the governor of the At Middleboro a cloudburst deluged home and a change of all the officers. the locality. James Charwell and Other recommendations are that all children while en route home from a branches of the home, valued at about neighbors in a wagon were caught in | \$5,000,000, be put directly under the the cloudburst and all drowned. At control of the secretary of war. The Harrodsburg the water ran over the post funds are recommended to be placed under control of the govern- 17 People!

Shot by an Officer. FRESNO, Cal., Feb. 23.-Bill Denman, an all-around crook, was shot and killed here last night by Deputy was a member of a Kings county gang of horse thieves, and was arrested for horse-stealing on a warrant from that county just before he was shot. On the way to jail he broke away from the sheriff, and while running was shot, the ball from the officer's pistol entering the base of his skull. His death was almost instantaneous.

Hung Bimself in His Cell. BAKER CITY, Or., Feb. 23 .- Louis Mansfield, who was confined in the county jail awaiting the action of the were drowned in one of the streams of grand jury on a charge of robberg committed suicide early this morning by hanging himself with a scarf in his cell. His cellmate, who slept with him, discovered his lifeless body at 7 She Submits a Proposition For Set\_ triotic action in congress. Even at o'clock this morning. He told his fellow-prisoner a few days ago he would flood has done its worst, and the waters | rather die than go to the penitentiary

PITTSBURG, Feb. 23, - Continued rains along the Monongahela river promise to result in a flood here greater than any since 1869. At noor the marks showed 26 feet in the channel and the water is rising nine inches an hour. Old river men predict from 28 to 30 feet here by night. The low lands of this city south of Pittsburg and Allegheny are alreday under several feet of water and residents are moving to higher ground.

Freight Handlers' Strike. LUDINGTON, Mich., Feb. 23 .- The freight-handlers at Flint and Pere Marquettee docks struck last night for the restoration of their pay to 20 cents an hour. Four steamers remained at the dock until this morning, when the force brought from Saginaw by a spewrecked. Beneath several feet of de- cial train began discharging cargoes bris there are millions of dollars worth | under the protection of the sheriff and his deputies. The strikers number

A Receiver Appointed. AUSTIN, Tex., Feb. 23 .- Judge Mc Cormick in the United States court has appointed a receiver for the Austin Rapid Transit Railway Company, under an action brought by the International Trust Company, of Boston, which holds \$343,000 of the company's first mortgage bonds.

Senate Wants Information WASHINGTON, Feb. 23 .- The senate has agreed to a resolution by Mills of Texas, requesting the president for information relative to the arrest, imprisonment and death of Dr. Ricardo Ruiz, at Guanabacoa, Cuba, and all correspondence with General Lee and the Spanish authorities.

Work, Not Charity, Is Wanted. ST PAUL, Minn., Feb. 24.-There was almost a riot at a mass meeting of the unemployed last night. The city council recently appropriated \$10,000 to use in relief work, and the meeting was a protest at the way the sum is bevictory in the interests of peaceful re- ing expended. Resolutions were adopted declaring the unemployed

BLOOMSBURG, Va., Feb. 23. -The Magee carpet works, the Bloomsburg carpet works and the Leader Stove the Herald from Havana, via Key West Company, virtually one concern, have | says: archives, was burned today. As fire failed. Liabilities, \$100,000; assets not Voters are Apathetic

> TACOMA, Feb. 23.—Great apathy exists regarding the spring city election. With but 20 days yet to register, only

A Dynamite Explosi

PAISLEY, Feb. 24.-An explosion of Noel's dynamite works, at Ayrshire. Six persons were killed, and several were injured. The corcussion extinthree miles away.

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tling the Disturbances at

Crete. No Security For American Citizens in Cuba at Present-Their Situation is Most Critical--Waters Subsided in

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 .- Senator de particular advocates of any particular Lome the Spanish minister, tonight policy toward the island of Cuba. received a cablegram from the Duke of Tetuan stating that the queen has sighed the pardon of Julio Sanguilly. It is stated at the legation that this action was agreed upon at a cabinet meeting some days ago, but the announcement was, according to diplomatic usage, withheld until the queen

had formally signed it. HER SCHEME OF REPORM.

How England Would Administer Affairs of Crete. LONDON, Feb. 25 .- In the house lords today the Marquis of Salisbury, replying to a question from Lord Dunraven, said that as the test means o placing the house in possession of facts of moment in regard to Crete, he would read a telegram sent yesterday evening to the British embassadors to the

"Inform the government at which you are accredited that her majesty's government proposes to make the following declaration of policy which it intends to pursue and which it believes is in accord with views of its allies: "First-Establishment of an administrative autonomy in Crete as a nec-

courts of the great powers. It was as

international occupation. "Second-That subject to the above conditions Crete ought, in her judg- but enough others consented to attend ment, to remain a portion of the Turk-

should be informed by the powers of "Fourth-If Turkey or Greece when draw their military and naval forces gan. It is expected the house will be from the island, the powers should im- ready to proceed with business next pose their decision by force upon the Monday. state so refusing."

LIVES ARE IN DANGER

Position of Americans in Cuba at Pre ts Most Critical. NEW YORK, Feb. 25 .- A special to

Americans are flocking in from the country. The position of our citizens is most critical. The rumor, whether true or false, has gone abroad that the American government would not intervene so long as the trade interests of the country are not interfered with. where the Mussulmans are besieged. liminary. Over 8000 names were on Unless something firm and decided of the legislature? is the question and strongly American is done by our now. There is little encouragement

> icans are in danger of their lives. The Murder of Ruiz and the demand same kitten twice. nitroglycerine has taken place at for the release of Scott are the sole topics of conversation. The governguished the gas lamps at Kitwinning, by giving out news of an alleged skir- garding it being as hard for a poor

The amusement and the great hilar. eye of a needle.

Reserved Seats on sale at the Snipes-Kinersly Drug Co.'s. FREE ity which were observed in the palace have changed. Minister de Lome, always accurate as a news gatherer, has cabled the captain-general that Lee His Pardon Signed by the will not be recalled and his resignation is not accepted, and that he may be

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sustained. Hundreds of telegrams have poured in on Consul-General Lee from all ENGLAND ON REFORM quarters of the globe, congratulating him on the stand he has taken, those from the United States promising pathis critical moment, and with many heavy cares and responsibilities which the administration should share weighing upon him, General Lee views the situation from a calm, dispassionate standpoint, and he expresses the hope that the situation created by the murder of Ruiz and his own determination not to submit to another similar atrocity should not be exploited by

INFORMATION IS WANTED WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 .- The house committee on foreign affairs has decided to report a resolution calling on the president for all information concerning the treatment of American prisoners in Cuba. The committee framed a substitute for the various resolutions of inquiry before it Chairman

Hitt expects to have it passed by the house today. The resolution is as follows: "Resolved, By the house of represen tatives, that the president be requested to transmit to the house of representatives, if not incompatible with public interest, all correspondence filed at the state department not hitherto communicated to congress in regard to the imprisonment of American citizens by Spanish officials in the Island of Cuba.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 25 .- The Davis house met today, with 27 members present, and Lee, Riddle and Kruse, who were detained on account of sickness, signified their willingness to go essary condition for the termination of into the organization so soon as circumstances would permit.

In the senate 13 answered to rollcall, to make up a majority so soon as the house can be organized. Both houses "Third-The Turks and Greeks adjourned until tomorrow morning.

Prospects are brighter today for permanent organization of the legislature than at any time since the session be-

MADRID, Feb. 25 .- Premier Sentor Canovas del Castillo; minister of foreign affairs, the Duke of Tetuan, and Minister of War, General Azcarraga, have had a long conference on the case of Dr. Riocardo Ruiz, a citizen of the United States, who died recently in prison near Havana. The semiofficial Epoca says the government is prepared to make an inquiry into the matter, and if Dr. Ruiz was ill treated the guilty parties will be punished.

government in Washington, Amer- for him to do so. It's indeed a silly old cat that gets scratched by the

We are not very much posted on ment and palace people here have tried scriptual matters, so will some one to change the subject of conversation kindly give us the corret quotation remish with Gomez, but the attempt was man to get into a McKinley cabinet as it is for a camel to pass through the