

EVENTS OF THE DAY

Epitome of the Telegraphic
News of the World.

TERSE TICKS FROM THE WIRES

An Interesting Collection of Items From
The Two Hemispheres Presented
in a Condensed Form.

The Boers have 40,000 fighting men
left.

President Kruger does not expect
any aid from the powers.

The Boers have blown up the bridges
north of Bloemfontein and are retreating
to the north.

Central American governments are
opposed to the Davis amendment to the
Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

Senator Davis, chairman of the senate
committee on foreign relations and in
charge of the French reciprocity
treaty, said that notwithstanding the
purpose to extend the time for the ex-
change of ratifications, he proposes to
do all he can to obtain ratification dur-
ing the present session.

Elizabeth T. Struble, editor of the
Nautilus, a Christian science news-
paper, at Sioux Falls, S. D., pleaded
guilty in the federal court to sending
obscene literature through the mails,
and was fined \$200. Mrs. Struble re-
fused to pay the fine and was taken to
jail.

The differential freight rate of 10 per
cent on the Canadian Pacific between
the East and San Francisco is abolished.
This is the outcome of a meeting held
in Chicago, at which agents of the
American lines threatened to secure
legislation debaring the Canadian Pa-
cific from participating in traffic origi-
nating in the United States if the dif-
ferential were continued.

Much concern is being shown by the
German government in the threat made
by Montague White that the Boers will
destroy Johannesburg to prevent it be-
ing made the base of the British opera-
tions against Pretoria. The Boer au-
thorities will strongly oppose such ac-
tion, because of the damage which will
be done to the property owned by Ger-
mans.

Great excitement prevails in San
Jacinto, as it has been discovered that
part of the San Jacinto mountain has
slipped into a subterranean cavern. A
territory covering 60 acres, at an eleva-
tion of 4,000 feet, was dislodged by the
recent earthquake and has slipped 150
feet lower than it had previously stood
for centuries. The face of the new val-
ley is thickly traversed with fissures
and cracks.

The German government contem-
plates another expeditionary force to
the interior of Shan Tung, where most
of the American missions are located.
The German governor at Kiao Chon has
standing instructions to take such
measures for the protection, not only
of German missionaries and other in-
terests in Shan Tung province as may
seem necessary, but of American mis-
sionaries as well.

Julia Arthur has retired from the
stage.

St. Patrick's day was enthusiastically
celebrated throughout Cape Town.

Hetty Green's daughter is said to be
engaged to a poor Spanish nobleman.

The Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf
railway system has been sold at auc-
tion.

Andrew Bolter, one of the noted
entomologists in America, is dead in
Chicago.

Two boys, aged 9 and 3 years, were
burned to death in their own house
near Alfred, N. Y.

British industries are badly in need
of cash. The money market is head
over ears in debt.

Nine persons were injured in New
York by the dropping of a coal chute
upon an elevated train.

General Hernandez, leader of the
Venezuela revolution, is making pro-
gress against the government.

Two thousand Boer women in Pre-
toria have been armed to aid in the
defense of the Transvaal capital.

United States supreme court rendered
a decision upholding the Texas courts
in their war against the Texans.

During a row in a saloon at Coeur
d'Alene, Idaho, two negroes were shot,
one fatally and the other seriously.

Puerto Rico's distress is growing
worse. Governor General Davis called
that 500 tons of provisions will be
needed weekly.

The French line freighter Pauline
is missing. She carried a cargo valued
at \$3,000,000 and has not been heard
from for over a month.

To prevent friction with the sultan
of the Sultan archipelago, measures have
been taken by the American authori-
ties in the Philippines for the adju-
dication of any questions that may arise
which cannot be disposed of by arbi-
tration of the treaty which he and Gen-
eral Bates entered into several months
ago.

Diplomats in Constantinople believe
Russia aims at commercial protectorate
of northern Asia Minor.

The American Political league, a new
organization, will hold a national con-
vention in Boston July 4.

Congressmen and senators have 15,
000,000 packages of seeds to distribute
among their rural constituents.

Nearly all the progressive railroads
are abandoning wooden cars and adopt-
ing the steel built structures.

LATER NEWS.

Boers are retreating from Kroonstad.
Lord Roberts has not yet advanced
from Bloemfontein.

The Puerto Rican appropriation bill
was signed by President McKinley.

Several Cleveland, O., concerns have
granted the demands of the striking
machinists.

Rear-Admiral A. H. McCormick re-
tired as commandant of the Washington
navy yard.

The Norwegian schooner Friton has
been wrecked at Dunkirk, Ireland, and
10 of her crew drowned.

Bob Fitzsimmons and Kid McCoy
have been matched to fight July 4, 25
rounds at catch weights.

Two murderers at Emporia, Va.,
were lynched after the militia that had
protected them were withdrawn.

Fifty thousand laborers on the island
of Puerto Rico are without work, and
whole families have died from starva-
tion.

The Philippine commission will be
taken to Manila on the transport Han-
cock, and will sail from San Francisco
on April 15.

One man was killed and five injured
by a cave-in at Whitehall, on the Bal-
timore & Ohio railroad, 10 miles south
of Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Alaska mail service is meeting
with great success. Mail was recently
transmitted from Circle City to Wash-
ington in 30 days.

Work has begun on New York city's
underground railway, which will in-
volve the expenditure of \$30,000,000,
and will give employment to 10,000
men.

Wharton Golden, in his testimony at
the trial of Secretary of State Caleb
Powers, of Kentucky, said, "John Pow-
ers told me they had two negroes to
kill Goebel."

Eben S. Boyce, of Tacoma, was
found guilty of murder in the first de-
gree. He brutally shot his wife Fre-
derick 10, while she was acting as cas-
hier in a restaurant.

The government of Austria-Hungary
has replied to the South African ap-
peal for mediation in the war that it
was only possible to take such a step
when both belligerents desired it.

Through the breaking down of the
first floor in a factory building in New
York city, which was totally destroyed
by fire, three firemen were killed and
two injured. Property loss \$50,000.

The court of inquiry convened by
Rear-Admiral Watson, at Manila, to
investigate the loss of the cruiser
Charleston, exonerated the officers and
men from responsibility for the loss of
the ship.

Machinists of Cleveland, O., have
been ordered out.

Booneville, Iowa, is being terrorized
by striking miners.

General Kitchener has occupied
Prieska, in Cape Colony.

The crown princess of Austria and
Count Lonyay were married at Vienna.

Cubans are clamoring against the
continuance of Managat Sbarretti in
the bishopric.

The Boers at Alwal North are still
holding a position in the big hills on
the Free State side.

J. F. Allen, of New Orleans, has
bought 1,000,000 Paris exposition tick-
ets as a speculation.

The will of Philip D. Armour, Jr.,
was proved and admitted to probate.
The estate is valued at \$8,000,000.

John F. Norton, a Northern Pacific
switchman, was run over in the yards
at Tacoma, Wash., and died a few
hours later.

The slayer of Goebel is said to be a
mulatto, who is now supposed to be in
hiding in the wilds of one of the moun-
tain countries.

At Buda Pest, Hungary, 24 peasants
were drowned by the capsizing of a
boat, in which they were crossing the
Danube during a gale.

Lieutenant Seaton Schroeder, pres-
ent secretary of the naval inspection
board, has been selected to succeed
Captain Leary as governor of Guam.

Osman Pasha, the hero of Plevna, is
dead. In 1876 he defeated the finest
troops of the czar in three pitched bat-
tles, which cost Russia over 30,000
men.

Eight ladies of the sultan's palace at
Constantinople have been sent into ex-
ile for machinations in connection
with the sultan's fugitive brother-in-
law, Mahmud Pasha.

The city council of Astoria, Or.,
passed an ordinance authorizing the
chief of police to pay a bounty of 5
cents each for all rats caught or killed
within the city limits within the next
30 days.

The house committee on foreign af-
fairs has decided to investigate the al-
legation made by Charles E. Macrum,
ex-consul to Pretoria, relative to the
opening of his official mail by the
British authorities.

Sir William Van Horne, former pres-
ident of the Canadian Pacific railway,
is interested in a project for the con-
solidation of all the railways in Cuba.
For the development of this project Sir
William has \$25,000,000 at his dis-
posal.

An Iowa concern is making ten
wagons wholly of steel.

Electrical power can be transmitted
with profit 80 miles and used as steam
is used.

Of the 25 men who have filled the
governor's chair in Indiana, Gov.
Mount is the only one living.

Pennsylvania factory inspectors re-
port 2,238 accidents last year, three-
fourths of which were due to careles-
ness.

NO PEACE OVERTURES

Salisbury and Kruger Notes
Related to Prisoners.

NOW FIGHTING AT WARRENTON

British Scouts Encounter a Hot Fire
—No News From Natal—De-
fenses of Pretoria.

London, March 24.—It has been
learned that no new peace overtures
have been made to Lord Salisbury, nor
are any expected at present by Great
Britain. The telegraphic correspond-
ence has been confined to the treatment
of British prisoners, Lord Salisbury
holding the presidents of the South
African republics responsible. The
question of the safety of Johannesburg
and the gold mines there has not been
raised.

It seems certain that Mafeking's
only chance lies in relief by the column
supposed to be advancing from the
south, or in the possibility that Colonel
Baden-Powell is still strong enough to
attempt a sortie with a view of cap-
turing the Boer guns at a time when
Commandant Snyman has withdrawn his
men to oppose Colonel Plumer's ad-
vance.

Nothing has developed regarding
General Buller's intentions, but it
seems hard to believe that he is again
embarking General Warren's division.

It is reported from Lourenco Mar-
ques that Pretoria is prepared to stand a
siege of two years, and that the Boer
women, frantic at the reverses to the
Boer arms, are entreating to be allowed
to shoot the British officers imprisoned
at Pretoria. It is also announced from
the Transvaal capital that the Italian
government has declined to intervene.

Fighting at Warrenton.

Kimberley, March 24.—There was a
smart artillery duel near Warrenton
yesterday morning. A battery under
Major Elliott, supported by the Kim-
berley Light Horse, located the Boers,
who employed four guns, two of which
were cordite, but ineffectively. The
British battery replied with effect, and
silenced the Boer fire. The Boers sent
two shells near the railway station,
which was not damaged.

A scouting party got too close to the
bank of the river, and encountered a
hot fire. The men were unable to get
away, and it was impossible to relieve
them without loss, the party being
obliged to wait for darkness in order to
escape. The party retired with only
one wounded.

This morning brisk firing was re-
sumed at Warrenton, about 6:30, but
it has now slackened up.

A detachment of Fusiliers has ar-
rived.

Two Vryburg inhabitants, who have
been imprisoned by the Boers, were
sent into Warrenton under a white
flag, after being taken from larger to
larger around the district. They say
that the big gun from Kimberley has
been taken through Christiansburg to
Pretoria. There are women and children
in nearly every laager. Trains now
run within eight miles of Warrenton.

TO PREVENT NIGHT ATTACKS.

Navy Department Wants an Illuminat-

ing Projectile.

New York, March 24.—Considerable
interest is taken by naval officials here
and at Washington in the efforts which
inventors are making to construct a
shell containing a chemical compound
which, when it strikes the water, will
blaze up and illuminate the surround-
ing atmosphere. During the war with
Spain, Rear-Admiral O'Neill, chief of
ordnance, expressed his willingness to
try inventions of this character.

A shell containing calcium chloride
was submitted a few weeks ago and has
just been fired at the Indian Head pro-
ving grounds. Lieutenant Strauss, in
charge of the proving grounds, has re-
ported to Admiral O'Neill that the pro-
jectile is too cumbersome and too light,
turning over and over in its flight,
though when it struck the water it
burned with an excellent light. Such
a projectile would be extremely valua-
ble in time of war, as a warship equip-
ped with several of this type would be
able to discharge them at an enemy's
torpedo boat, for instance, and by the
light thus produced would be able to de-
stroy the attacking vessel.

Loud Bill Shivered.

Washington, March 24.—After a
spirited discussion extending over three
days, the loud bill, relating to second-
class mail matter, was recommitted by
the house today to the committee on
postoffices. The majority in favor of
the motion to recommit was so decisive
that it is regarded as unlikely that the
measure will appear again during the
present congress. Loud said, after the
vote was announced, that this was the
third time and out, so far as he was
concerned. The vote on the motion
was 148 to 96, with 16 present and not
voting.

Recruits for Manila.

New York, March 24.—More than
1,000 cavalry, infantry and artillery
recruits will leave Fort Schuyler and
Fort Slocum tomorrow for Brooklyn,
where they will board the transport
Sumner, which will sail Saturday for
the Philippines.

New York, March 24.—The threat
of the Western leaders of organized
labor to tie up machine shops through-
out the country unless the nine-hour
day is granted to all employees, has
carried such weight with local mem-
bers of the National Metal Trades As-
sociation as to cause them to take im-
mediate steps toward organization. The
national organization is only partly
formed, but when completed will in-
clude the machine manufacturers of
this city and adjacent towns.

EXPLOSION OF COLLODION.

Wrecked Two Buildings in Philadel-
phia—One Life Lost.

Philadelphia, March 24.—One person
was killed and four injured by a ter-
rible explosion of colloclion in the pho-
tographic supply establishment of Thomas
M. McCollin & Co., on South Eleventh
street, today. The dead man is Her-
man Weiss, aged 19. The more seri-
ously injured are: George W. Nichol-
as, August Hauser, Daniel Reed, a
fireman, and John A. Granton.

The building was almost entirely
wrecked, and the adjoining structure,
occupied by V. Clad & Sons manu-
facturers of hotel ranges and kitchen
supplies, was also badly damaged by
the force of the explosion. There were
over 100 persons in the Clad building
when the explosion occurred on the
sixth floor of the McCollin building.
The force of the explosion blew out the
north wall of the building, and the
heavy mass crashed through the roof of
the Clad building, which was only four
stories in height.

Weiss and Hauser, who were work-
ing on the upper floor of the Clad build-
ing, were crushed under the falling de-
bris. Nicholas and Granton were
burned by the explosion, and were
taken from the McCollin building by
firemen. While firemen were working
in the McCollin building, the third
floor gave way, and in this crash fire-
man Daniel Reed had his leg broken.
The property loss is about \$75,000.
Fire, which followed the explosion, did
considerable additional damage.

The roof of the Jefferson hospital,
the rear of which adjoined the burned
structure, caught fire, but the flames
were quickly extinguished, and did
but little damage. A number of pa-
tients were quickly removed from the
hospital as a measure of precaution
during the progress of the fire.

A REVOLVING CRIME.

Young Woman Burned to Death by
Four Men in South Carolina.

Wadesboro, S. C., March 24.—
Particulars were received today of a re-
volving crime committed in Chester-
field county a few days ago. Cassie
Boone, a young woman, was enticed
from her home by four white men,
carried to the woods near by and as-
saulted with knives. The woman was
gashed with knives in the fleshy part
of her body, the cuts being from four
to 18 inches in length. Then coal oil
was poured over her and she was set on
fire and released in the woods, to run
screaming until she fell dying. When
found a small brand around the forehead
was the only shred of clothing left on
her body.

Cassie Boone was 20 years old, the
daughter of George Boone, a farmer.
She was one-quarter Indian. The
girl's reputation, it is said, was not
good. Last Sunday evening she left
her home with Sam Woodward to visit
Vince Melton. She left there later in
the evening with Tom Steen and James
Jackson, presumably to return to her
father's house. Nothing more was
heard of her till she was found Monday
night running through the woods.
Ross Jackson, John Jackson, Ab-
b Kirkly and Jim Verner, reported that
they heard the screaming, and, collect-
ing a crowd, went into the woods and
found the girl. Some one threw an
overcoat over the charred and dying
woman, and then summoned help.
When a doctor arrived she was dead.

TREATY RATIFIED.

Relating to the Disposition of Estates
of Those Who Die Abroad.

Washington, March 24.—The senate
today in executive session ratified the
treaty between the United States and
Great Britain relative to the estates of
citizens of one country who die in the
other, which has been under considera-
tion for the past few days. There was
no debate today, but several additions
were accepted. Article 2 was amended
so as to provide for the extension of the
provisions of the agreement to depen-
dencies of the United States, "only upon
directing of the lawsmaking power of
the United States," thus relieving the
treaty of the criticism that it conferred
too great power upon the president.
Article 5 was amended so as to make
it apply only to the right of disposing
of property. As drafted, the treaty
conferred upon the subjects of Great
Britain and upon those of the United
States in Great Britain "the same right
in acquiring possessions or disposing of
property" as is possessed by the citi-
zens of the country itself; the words
"acquiring" and "possessing" were
stricken out. As amended, the treaty
was ratified by an almost unanimous
vote.

Held Up a Train.

St. Joseph, Mo., March 24.—A
"jone" robber, wearing a false face,
with a huge black moustache painted
on the mask, held up the southbound
Kansas City, St. Joseph & Council
Bluffs train, four miles south of Ham-
burg, Ia., at 1:30 o'clock this morning.
The train was in charge of Conductor
Billy McVie. Flagman Moore was
first accosted by the robber at the rear
end of the train. Using Moore as a
shield, the robber went through the
sleeper and chair car, getting \$200 in
cash and a gold watch. He pulled the
bell cord and when the train slowed
down jumped off and escaped in the
darkness. The robbery was reported
to the Burlington general office here
from Langdon, the first station south
of Hamburg.

Bounty on Robbers' Bodies.

Kansas City, March 24.—R. J. Mc-
Farland, chief of the Kansas City
police department, has hung up a
bounty for the bodies of all highway
robbers killed in the city while in the
act of committing robberies or directly
thereafter. The price the chief offers
to give for the body of each highway
man, the money to be paid out of his
salary, is \$25. The reward is open to
members of the force as well as any
citizen.

SEA GOLD DREDGING

Secretary Root's Reply to the
Senate's Resolution.

MERELY PERMITS GRANTED

No Law to Prevent Prospecting Under
Water if Navigation Is Not
Obstructed.

Washington, March 26.—Secretary
Root today transferred to the senate
his reply to the resolution requesting
information on the war department's
practice of granting permits for gold
dredging off the Alaskan coast. He
states that no concessions or grants to
excavate the gold-bearing bed of the
sea at or in the vicinity of Cape Nome
or in other Alaskan waters have been
made by the secretary of war or any
other official of the war department,
but that permits have been given gen-
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"As this statute was designed solely
for the protection of navigation, it has
been the practice of the war depart-
ment to grant permits to persons desir-
ing to excavate for any purpose when
the work is not such as to obstruct or
interfere with navigation, and is other-
wise lawful. Permits thus granted are not
exclusive; they do not preclude any
number of similar permits applicable
to the same territory; they are not
grants or concessions, and they confer
no rights whatever, except immunity
from prosecution under the statute.

"As there seems to be no legal rea-
son why all citizens of the United
States should not have the same oppor-
tunity to prospect for gold and acquir-
ing rights under the mining laws upon
land and under water as they have
upon land and under water, the depart-
ment determined, as a general policy
in the exercise of the discretion vested
in the chief of engineers and secretary
of war by this statute, to relieve all
citizens applying from the obstacle in-
terposed by this statute as long as their
proposed operations do not, in fact, in-
terfere with navigation. All applica-
tions made under this statute have ac-
cordingly, so far as it has been possi-
ble to dispose of them, received favor-
able attention. No application of this
description has been denied. Upon
two, permits have been granted. Upon
a third, papers had been prepared and
were awaiting the secretary of war's
signature at the time of the passage
of your resolution. These others were
approved by the chief of engineers, and
were in the hands of the judge-advoc-
ate for the preparation of the neces-
sary papers. Eleven others are still in
the office of the chief of engineers in
process of examination upon the ques-
tion whether they interfere with naviga-
tion. Four more, just received, are
in the office of the secretary of war,
and will today be sent to the chief of
engineers. Unless otherwise directed
by congress, the secretary of war will
deem it his duty in the exercise of the
discretion vested in him by law, to
grant permits in all of these cases and
upon all other similar applications by
citizens of the United States; provided
that the proposed work does not affect
navigation."

A Negro's Six Victims.

Raleigh, N. C., March 24.—A negro,
Tom Jones, commonly known in the
county as "Preacher Jones," this
morning murdered Ella Jones and her
oldest daughter, Ida, with an ax, and
then set fire to the beds in which lay
the bodies of his victims and four sleep-
ing children, ranging in years from a
babe one month old to the largest boy,
who was not more than 5. The four
children were burned to death. The
crime was committed at Garner's, a lit-
tle town five miles east of here. The
murderer, according to the story of
little 7-year-old Laura Jones, who
escaped with her younger sister, de-
liberately struck the mother four times
and then made two cuts into the body
of the oldest child. He then fired the
house.

When the people heard the story of
the murder, they went to Jones' house
to arrest him. They found that his
clothes still bore stains of fresh blood,
and that his hands were covered with
blood.

Ice George Floods a Town.

Monroe, Mich., March 26.—Owing
to an ice gorge a large portion of the
Third ward of this city is under four
feet of water, and the current of the
Raisin river is running down Front
street on the south and Elm avenue on
the north. Great damage has already
been done. The city authorities have
decided to dynamite the ice gorge.

Factory Elevator Fell.

New York, March 24.—One of the
elevators in the seven-story factory
building at 247 Center street broke its
cable today and fell seven stories, in-
juring three of its occupants internally.
The injured are: John Pododa, 17
years old, the elevator boy; Bernard
Katzung and Anton Schroeder, of
Brooklyn.

Adopted by the Senate.

Washington, March 26.—The senate
today adopted the conference report on
the Puerto Rican tariff bill by a vote
of 85 to 15, practically a strictly party
expression. No Democrat voted for the
report, but Stewart, Silver, of Nevada,
voted with the Republicans. The time
of discussion was consumed mostly by
Tillman, who made a fierce attack on
the measure, and accused the Republi-
can senators and the Republican party
of indiscretion, hypocrisy and "dirty
work."

BAD NEWS FROM MANILA.

Rebels Capture Quantities of Guns and
Ammunition.

San Francisco, March 26.—The
steamer Hong Kong Maru brings from
Hong Kong news of a surprising state
of affairs existing in the Philippines.
The correspondent of a Hong Kong
paper sent the following uncensored
letter to his journal:

"Manila, Feb. 13.—It is a strange
state of affairs that exist in the Philip-
pines today. Improvement is visible
in nearly every quarter. Civil govern-
ments are rapidly being established in
every town of importance, and garri-
sons and patrols are in process of exten-
sion wherever Americans hold territory,
and yet it is an undeniable fact that
since January 1 the insurgents have
captured a number of rifles and quanti-
ties of ammunition from the Ameri-
cans, almost equaling the total of
American captures from the insurgents."

"Besides this, the casualty rate for
the last two weeks will come very
close to being heavier than at any other
period of the insurrection, with the ex-
ception of the time of the outbreak and
the fortnight beginning with March 25,
1899. These are hard facts to swallow,
and somewhat alarming in the bar-
gain."

"The threatened guerrilla warfare
that was heard of on every side seems
to be a stern reality, and parties of 50
or smaller numbers are ambushed and
"jumped" day after day. Supply
trains, small escorts and scouting parties
are the special objects of attack,
and the country seems to be full of
small, roving bands, waiting at every
convenient cover until the prey is
caught."

"In one or two instances heavy pa-
trols have quickly avenged these raids
by setting out immediately and hunting
down and killing as many of the in-
surgents as possible. These lessons
have not been forgotten, and in the im-
mediate districts