IN THE NATIONAL HALLS OF CONGRESS

Tuesday, April 3.

Washington, April 3. - Senators Long and Allison were under cross examination by their brother senators today on the White house conference on the former's court review amendment to the rate bill. After Long had spoken at length in support of his amendment, both the railroad senators on the Republican side and the Democratic senators wanted to know more about its paternity. They scented in its being The bill as passed carries nearly \$700,discussed with the president and his ooo less than the last appropriation while the joint scale committee of the 'em back into the prison, grab the harm advisers by a few of the friends of the bill before its introduction in the serate an invasion of the sacred prerogatives of the upper house. Long and Allison successfully fenced with the today listened to speeches on the railquestions and refused to divulge what road rate bill by Clay, Carmack and transpired at the conference.

202 to 26 the house today passed the ising the appointment of officers to national quarantine bill. The bill take the place of contract surgeons. places the control of all quarantine All the senators who spoke on the rate stations, grounds and anchorages under bill indicated a purpose to support it, the secretary of the treasury and di- but Clay expressed the hope that it rects that as soon as practicable after would be so amended as to afford a the approval of the act he shall select limited court review of the orders of A national convention of the miners the giant's bristling scalp and bared and designate such suitable places for the Interstate Commerce commission. them and establish the same at such Hale criticized the military medical points on or near the seacoast of the bill, saying it showed a tendency to inin his judgment are best suited for the able in time of peace.

same, in order to prevent the introductual Culberson presented and had the States.

of the treasury the right to establish a came from the house. quarantine station at the Dry Tortugas | A bill was passed authorizing the aggregate, as he deems necessary.

The bill carries an appropriation of \$500,000.

Monday, April 2.

Washington, April 2 .- The amendment to the house railroad rate bill The committee on appropriationds sufagreed to at the White house Saturday fered a defeat, the committee of the tifled by the national and district offiby friends of the bill, providing for a whole, by a vote of 58 to 22, expungtional cers that new contract arrangements limited review of orders of the Intering a paragraph from the bill which have been made governing their scale." by friends of the bill, providing for a state Commerce commission, was offered in the senate today by Long, of Kansas, but he was not able to get the floor to make his speech. The princi- tion carried by the bill was voted for pal speech was made by Fulton, of Oregon, who spoke for the bill. It was a legal argument bearing upon the constitutional questions involved, and interruptions were so frequent that the speech amounted to a debate on law points, where the speaker divided time with the a majority of the lawyers of the senate. Nelson, of Minnesota, and Heyburn, of Idaho, made brief speeches on the bill.

the measures passed by the house today was the so-called "personal liability" iged tribes of Indians and much objecbill, which has been favored by the tion was expressed to many of the bill, which has been favored by the army of railway employes throughout the country, and which practically had the country and the country are considered to the country and the country are considered to the country and the country are considered to the country are consi the country, and which practically had La Folette, Clark, of Wyoming, and patent laws, international recognition The report of another shot, and then a unanimous report from the commit- Tillman, expressed disapproval of the of diplomas of practicians of the learned a noise of confused cries, mingled with tee. Members of the house showed great interest in the measure, and, had a division been called for, the bill would have had an almost unanimous vote. Another measure changing exist- dent today transmitted to the house the ing law which excited a filibustering- report of Assistant Secretary of State opposition, was the bill permitting the Herbert H. D. Peirce, regarding the fortification of sweet wines and levy- consular service in the Orient. ing a tax of 3 cents a gallon on all wines thus fortified. A number of bills many cities, but his severe criticism is in some form. were passed under suspension of the reserved for ex-Consul General McWade rules.

The personal liability bill makes Singapore. The charges against Mceach party responsible for its own neg- Wade, ex-consul at Canton, are drunktigence. It also renders void any con- enness, employment of a felon, issu- Legislature Orders Inquiry Into Viotract intended to restrict the liability ance of fraudulent Chinese certificates, of the employer for the negligence of extending protection to Chanamen who

Saturday, March 31.

Washington, March 13 .- This being ance. The house during the four hours ruption in office. The opinion of the 179 bills, many, however, sending in Shanghai. the particular claim to the court of claims for adjudication.

Previous to taking up the calendar a bill was passed granting to the Capital City Improvement company, of Helens, Montana, the right to construct a dam across the Missouri river in Montana. A bill to pay the claim of the French

Trans-Atlantic Cable company for \$77,712, growing out of the cutting of saving station at Neah bay. cables during the Spanish war, was

Spain which attracted little or no at- ceased to be governor general of the in Southern California and vicinity is stood to their arms. Even his dull intention was that appropriating \$13,694 Philippines today. Henry C. Ide, of even worse than has yet been described. tellect comprehended that the desperate to the Ferro Carriles Railroad com- the Philippines commission, the pres- It is given out from the office of Gener- project had failed, and that he had pany, of Porto Rico, for mail service ent acting governor, will continue until al Manager Wells, of the Salt Lake been betrayed. With the roar of deperformed by this company during the April 2, when the will be inaugurated route, that the washouts between Cali-spair which had penetrated into the miliary occupation by the United governor general.

Pay for Conference at Rio.

Washington, April 3 .- The senate committee on appropriations today re- of the interior today sent to congress a ports further trouble today. Another vantage of the momentary cessation of American States at Rio Janeiro, Bra 60 days, as at present. Under existing London, March 30—The London struggling figures. Some twenty conzil, that the delegates shall be appointd laws it has become a common practice, shall represent the different sections of for entrymen to hold off until the mails ing to reports from the Fiji islands, a There was barely elbow room, and at tional peace conference at The Hague. stitute a contest are precluded.

Circulation of National Banks.

Washington, April 3 .- The monthly \$3,047,985. Amount of circulation secured by lawful money was \$42,445,416. serve.

Mas the young lieutenant sprang out pass over his own decoupled by lawful money was \$42,445,416.

States. The bill war passed. Friday, March 30.

Washington, March 30 -The house today passed the leg'slative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, carrymeasure two weeks. The feature of today's proceedings was the elimination o' the age limit of clerks, a provision which created much discussion and which incited the fight against the bill. bill for similar purposes.

Thursday, March 29.

Washington, March 29 .- The senate Newlands and passed a bill which provides for the reorganization of the med-Washington, April 3. - By a vote of ical department of the army by author-United States or the Mexican border as crease the army, which was not desir-

tion of yellow fever into the United clerk read a memorial from the Cattleraisers' association of Texas, urging the The bill further gives the secretary passage of the railroad rate bill as it

islands and at such other points at or erection of three life saving stations on near searcasts, not to exceed four in the the coast of Washington between Cape Fiattery and Gray"s harbor.

The senate adjourned until Monday, Washington, March 29 .- Today was a busy day for the house, considerable progress having been made on the executive, legislative and judicial bill. was alleged to be properly part of the poetoffice appropriation bill. An increase of \$10,000 over the appropriaconfidential agents of the Interior de- Pan - American Committee Prepares partment to aid in ferreting out land fraude.

Wednesday, March 28.

Washington, March 28 .- Knox made his first set speech in the senate today. He spoke on the railroad rate question, and dealt almost exclusively with the congress having that matter in charge, simultaneous movements which are so legal features of the problem. When he concluded the senate entered upon In addition to Mr. Root the committee in detail. At one instant the prison door the consideration of the conference re. is made up of the ambassadors from had opened, at the next it had closed. Washington, April 2.-Chief among port on the bill regarding the final dis. Brazil and Mexico and the ministers The picture which had presented itself position of the affairs of the five civilconference provision authorizing the professions, questions affecting commer- the clashing of arms, informed the imsecretary of the interior to lease land.

Washington, March 28 .- The presi-

at Canton, and Consul Williams at claim to be American citizens, persecution of American citizens for purposes of revenge, and corruption in office.

The charges against Goodnow are 82 war claim day in the house, only those in number, some serious and some directly interested in the legislation in light. Some are sofficient to support the private calendar, were in attend- suits at law and give evidence of corit was in session considered and passed better element was unfavorable to him

Washington, March 30. — The legis-lation prompted by the recent wreck of the steamer Valencia off the Straits of torial investigation whenever in the Gabbett and his companions had by Fuca was authorized to be reported commission's opinion it is desirable. this time reached the foot of the comfavorably by the house committee on and report to the legislature of next panion ladder, there to encounter the commerce today. It appropriates year what changes should be made in cutlasses of the doubled guard gleaming \$200,000 for an ocean-going life-saving the laws to prevent a recurrence of any redly in the glow of the lanterns. A tog and for the establishment of a life- abuses that may exist.

Washington, March 30. - General Luke E. Wright today took the oath of

Square Deal in Alaska.

ported the urgent deficiency bill with a draft of a bill which he recommends to washout has occurred somewhere in the the press, shot the bolts and secured the number of amendments. The proviso be passed providing that, whenever San Joaquin valley. is added to the appropriation for dele- mineral entries are made in Alaska, six gates to the International Conference of months' notice shall be given instead of American States at Rio Janeiro, Bra | 60 days, as at present. Under existing ed so that as far as practicable they particularly in remote mining districts, the country. An appropriation of \$50,- are virtually closed by bad weather and German syndicate, probably backed by tacked and attackers fought almost with-000 is made to enable the government then forward their notices to Juneau. the German government, is trying to out knowing whom they struck. Gabto participate in the second interna- In this manner persons wishing to in-

Money for Klamath Tribe.

Washington, April 2.-The Indian the station of the British Pacific cable circulation statement shows that at the committee of the senate has attached to on the island. close of business March 31, 1906, the the Indian appropriation bill all the the total circulation of National banks amendments offered by Senator Fulton. was \$554,666,967, an increase for the One appropriates \$537,000 to pay the year of \$78.718,022, and for the month | Klamath Indians for lands relinquished | senate and house will reach a compre- the man, maddened by the blow, let go of \$3,863,072. The circulation based to the government; another permits the mise agreement on the statehood bill, the cutiess, and, drawing his pistol, shot Best from the quarter-deck; and in the mise agreement on the statehood bill, the cutiess, and, drawing his pistol, shot Best from the quarter-deck; and in the mise agreement on the statehood bill, the cutiess, and, drawing his pistol, shot Best from the quarter-deck; and in the mise agreement on the statehood bill, the cutiess, and drawing his pistol, shot Best from the quarter-deck; and in the mise agreement on the statehood bill, the cutiess, and drawing his pistol, shot Best from the quarter-deck; and in the mise agreement on the statehood bill, the cutiess, and drawing his pistol, shot Best from the quarter-deck; and in the mise agreement on the statehood bill, the cutiess, and drawing his pistol, shot Best from the quarter-deck; and in the mise agreement on the statehood bill, the cutiess, and drawing his pistol, shot Best from the quarter-deck; and in the mise agreement on the statehood bill, the cutiess, and drawing his pistol, shot Best from the quarter-deck; and in the mise agreement of the cuties and the cuties are considered by the cuties and the cuties are considered by the cuties and the cuties are cuties are cuties and the cuties are cuties and the cuties are cuties are cuties and the cuties are cuties are cuties and the cuties are cuties are cuties are cuties and the cuties are c \$512.221,551, an increase for the year the Umatilla reservation with their Mexico each to decide for themselves was this second shot that aroused Mau- Frere briefly recapitulated what had of \$67,351,372, and for the month of flocks in going to and from the sum- the question of their admission as one

HALF MILLION TO STRIKE.

Coal Miners of Whole Nation About to Suspend Work.

Indianapolis, March 30. - The joint meetings of the bituminous coal operators and miners of the central competitive district, composed of Western L Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, and of the Southwestern district, composed of Missouri, Kansas, Texas, ing \$30,000,000, after considering the Arkansas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory, last night reached a final disagreement on the wage scale to go into Southwestern district decided to report rack, and it's all over." a disagreement to the joint conference of that district today. It is expected that this conference will at once adjourn sine die without an agreement.

will directly cause the suspension of not to fire. All had gone well. work after Saturday by 178,000 mine s unless something unforeseen, like submission of the differences to arbitration, should intervene, and indirectly rinking his life for a pardon to be won tion, should intervene, and indirectly by rushing forward at the right moment will affect 206,500 more miners, not and alarming the guard, checked the including its effect on 150,000 miners cry that was in his throat as he saw the in the anthracite field, who were last night ordered to suspend work Monday. for their rush, and caught a glimpse of will be held today to decide whether gums. miners will be allowed to sign the advance scale demanded and today re- fron-plated oak awung back, and, with fused by all operators with a few excep- the guttural snarl of a charging wild tions, and to go to work where the ad- boar, Gabbett hurled himself out of the vance is offered. Operators employing prison. 25,000 miners in the central competi-an instant through the doorway was tive field have openly offered to pay the advance during the joint conference

anthracite and bituminous, will expire was as though a sea, breaking against a Saturday, except those in Tennessee stone wall, had found some breach and Alabama, where the scale will ex. through through which to pour its pire in September. One national official of the United Mineworkers said:

"It is a foregone conclusion that all the miners whose scales expire Saturday will cease work until officially no- distinct prospective of struggling figures, cers that new contract arrangements by rushing furiously forward.

PROGRAM FOR CONGRESS.

Subjects for Action.

Washington, March 30 .- A program of subjects to be considered at the Pan-American congress to be held in Rio Janiero, Brazil, beginning July 21, was agreed on today by the committee of the All this took place by one of those of which Secretary Root is chairman, rapid in execution, so tedious to describe Cuba and Costa Rica.

cial intercourse and an international

The visit of Mr. Peirce included States, will come up for consideration a strange rumbling sound fell upon the

IOWA WILL INVESTIGATE.

lation of Insurance Law.

Des Moines, Iowa, March 30 -As a by both houses of the Iowa legislature sudden than he had expected, but he today, an investigation of insurance did not lose his presence of mind. The state during the present summer, simi- would warn the men in the barrack, and lar to that which was conducted in New perhaps check the rush by stopping up York last fall. The resolution which the doorway with a corpse. Beaten back. awaits the governor's signature pro- struggling and indignant, amidst the vides for the appointment of a commis- storm of hideous faces, his humanity Washington, March 30. - The legis- Iowa insurance laws by state and East- the head of Mr. James Vetch; the shot,

Road Tied Up for Two Weeks. Another bill recalling the war with office as ambassador to Japan. He railroad situation resulting from floods mast, the remainder of the detachment the roadbed cannot be repaired short of gangway recoil from the flash of the two weeks to admit the passage of musket fired by Vickers. The next in-Washington, April 2.—The secretary trains. The Southern Pacific also restant Pine and two soldiers, taking ad-

Germany Hungry for Islands.

Referendum on Statehood.

for The Term of His Natural Life

By MARCUS CLARKE

CHAPTER IX. It was 8 o'clock, and the relief guard growd of prisoners round the door held

their breath to listen. effect at the expiration of the present a low growl. "W'en the door hopens we scale on April I, and the conference of rush, and we're in among the guard arms. The two men went down togeththe central district adjourned sine die, afore they know where they are. Drag

> "Stand from the door, Miles," says Pine's voice outside, in its usual calm

The Crow was relieved. The tone was an ordinary one, and Miles was the sol-The action of the two conferences dier whom Sarah Purfoy had bribed

The keys clashed and turned, and the bravest of the prudent party, who had been turning in his mind the notion of men round the door draw back a little

"Now!" cries Jemmy Vetch, as the

blotted out by a mass of figures. All the prison surged forward, and before the eye could wink, five, ten, twenty of The wage scales of all miners, both the most desperate were outside. It waters. The contagion of battle spread. Caution was forgotten, and those at the back, seeing Jemmy Vetch raised up on the crest of that human billow which reared its black outline against an inresponded to his grin of encouragement

Suddenly a horrible roar like that of a trapped wild beast was heard. The rushing torrent choked in the doorway. and from out the lantern glowed into which the giant had rushed a flash broke, followed by a groan, as the perfidious sentry fell back, shot through the breast. The mass in the doorway hung irresolute, and then, by sheer weight of pressure from behind, burst forward, and as it so burst, the heavy door crashed into its jambs, and the bolts were shot

tary. The period of time that had elaps-

prisoned men that the ship had been alarmed. How would it go with their It is expected that what is commonly friends on deck? Would they succeed known as the Drago doctrine, which is in overcoming the guards, or would they opposed to the forcible collection of be beaten back? They would soon know; private debts by one nation from anoth- and in the hot dust, straining their eyes er, a doctrine adhered to by the United to see each other, they waited for the ears of the listeners.

What had taken place? This, the men pouring out of the darkness into the sudden glare of the lanterns, rushed, bewildered, across the deck. Miles, true to his promise, did not fire, but the next instant Vickers had snatched the firelock from him, and, leaping into the result of practically unanimous action stream, turned about and fired down toward the prison. The attack was more companies is to be undertaken in this shot would serve a double purpose. It sion to inquire into rumored abuse of vanished, and he aimed deliberately at

glance up the hatchway showed the giant that the arms he had planned to seize were defended by ten firelocks, and that, behind the open doors of the Los Angeles, March 30.—The local partition which ran abaft the mizzenente and Las Vegas are so serious that prison, he turned to fight his way back. the roadbed cannot be repaired short of just in time to see the crowd in the

The mutineers were caught in a trap. The narrow space between the barracks London, March 30 -The London and the barricade was choked with capital of Tasmania, states that, accord- and stabbed at each other in the crowd. secure the ownership of Fanning island, bett tore a cutlass from a soldier, shook which will be sold at suction April 17, his huge head, and calling on the Meoch-It is feared that the transfer of the er to follow, bounded up the ladder, desownership may prove a hindrance to perately determined to brave the fire of the watch. The Moocher, close at the giant's heels, flung himself upon the nearest soldier, and, grasping his wrist, struggled for the cutlass. A brawny, bull-necked fellow next him dashed his Washington, March 30 .- That the clinched fist into the soldier's face, and rice Frere.

mindful of the safety of the ship than he. There was, however, no time for exwas coming from the after deck. The planation, for, as he reached the hatchway, he was met by the ascending glant, who uttered a hideous cry at the sight "It's all planned," says Gabbett, in of this unexpected adversary, and, too close to strike him, locked him in his er. The guard on the quarter-deck dared not fire at the two bodies that, twined about each other, rolled across the deck, and for a moment Mr. Frere's cherished existence bung upon the slenderest

thread imaginable.

The Moocher, spattered with the blood and brains of his unfortunate comrade, 'and already set his foot upon the lowest step of the ladder, when the cutlass was dashed from his hand by a blow from a clubbed firelock, and he was dragged roughly backward. As he fell upon the deck, he saw the Crow spring out of the mass of prisoners who had been, an instant before, struggling with the guard, and, gaining the cleared space at the bottom of the ladder, hold up his hands, as though to shield himself from a blow. The confusion had become suddealy stilled, and upon the group before the barricade had fallen that mysterious silence which had perplexed the inmates of the prison.

They were not perplexed for long. The two soldiers who, with the assistance of Pine, had forced to the door of the prison, rapidly unbolted a trap door in the barricade and, at a signal from Vickers, three men ran the loaded howitzer from its sinister shelter, and, training the deadly muzzle to a level with the opening in the barricade, stood ready

"Surrender!" cried Vickers, in a voice from which all "humanity" had vanish-"Surrebder, and give up your ringleaders, or I'll blow you to pieces!"

There was no tremor in his wice, and though he stood, with Pine by his side, at the very mouth of the leveled cannon, the mutineers perceived, with that acuteness which imminent danger brings to the most stolld of brains, that, did they hesitate an instant, he would keep his word. There was an awful moment of silence, broken only by a skurrying noise in the prison, as though a family of rats, disturbed at a flour cask, were scampering to the ship's side for shel-

The entrapped men looked up the hatchway, but the guard had already closed in upon it, and some of the ship's crew were peering down upon them. Escape was hopeless.

"One minute!" cried Vickers, confident that one second would be enough-"one minute to go quietly, or-

"Surrender, mates!" shrieked some unknown wretch from out of the darkness

death of us?" Jemmy Vetch feeling, by that curious sympathy which nervous natures possess, that his comrades wished him to act as spokesman, raised his shrill tones. "We surrender," he said. "It's no use getting our brains blown out." And, raising his hands, he obeyed the motion of Vickers' finger, and led the way to-

ward the barrack. "Bring the Irons forward there!" shouted Vickers, hastening from his perilous position; and before the last man had filed past the still smoking match, the clink of hammers announced that the Crow had resumed those fetters which had been knocked off his dainty limbs a mouth previously in the Bay of Biscay. In another moment the trap door was closed, the howitzer rumbled back to its clearings, and the prison breathed again.

In the meantime, a scene almost as exciting had taken place on the upper deck. Gabbett, with the blind fury which the consciousness of failure brings to such brute-like natures, had seized Frere by the throat, determined to put an end to at least one of his enemies. But desperate though he was, and with all the advantage of weight and strength upon his side, he found the young lieutenant a more formidable adversary than be had anticipated.

Maurice Frere was no coward. Taken by surprise as he was, he did not lose his presence of mind. The convict was so close upon him that there was no time to strike, but, as he was forced backward, he succeeded in crooking his and thrust one hand into his collar. Over and over they rolled, the bewildered sentry not daring to fire, until the ship's side brought them up with violent jerk, and Frere realized that Gabbett was below him. Pressing with all the might of his muscles, he strove to resist the leverage which the giant was applying to turn him over, but he might as well have pushed against a stone wall. With his eyes protruding, and every sinew strained to its utmost, he was slowly forced round, he felt Gabbett releasing his grasp, in order to draw back and aim at him an effectual blow. Disengaging his left hand, Frere suddenly allowed himself to sink, and then drawing up his right knee, struck Gabbett beneath the jaw, and, as the huge head was forced backward by the blow, dashed his fist into the brawny throat. The giant reeled backward, and, falling on his hands and knees, was in an instant surrounded by sailors. Authority was almost instantly tri-

umphant on the upper and lower decks. The mutiny was over.

CHAPTER X. A shock was felt all through the vessel, and Pine, who had been watching the ironing of the last of the mutineers, at once divined its cause.

"Thank God!" he cried, "there's a breeze at last!" And as the overpowered Gabbett, bruised, bleeding and bound, was dragged down the hatchway, the triumphant doctor hurried upuon deck to find the Malabar plunging through the whitening water under the influence of a fifteen-knot breeze.

"Stand by to reef topsails. Away aloft, men, and furl the royals!" cries taken place, taking care, however, to pass over his own dereliction of duty

the guard that others had been more | Pine knit his brows. "Do you think

that Sarah Purfag was in the piet?

"Not she!" says Frere, eager to avert inquiry. "How could she be? Plot! She's sickening of fever, or I'm much mistaken."

Sure enough, they found Sarah Purfoy Ising where she had fallen a quarter of an hour before. The clashing of the cutlasses and the firing of muskets

had not roused her. "We must make a sick bay somewhere," says Pine, looking at the senseless figure, with no kindly glance; "though I don't think she's likely to be very bad. Confound her-I believe she's the cause of all this. I'll find out, too, before many hours are over; for I've told those fellows that, unless they confess all about it before to-morrow morning. I'll get them six dozen apiece the day after we anchor in Hobart Town. I've a great mind to do it before we get there. Take her head, Frere, and we'll get her out of this before Vickers comes What a fool you are, to be sure! I knew what it would be, with women on board ship. I wonder Mrs. V. has'nt been out before now. There steady past the door. Make haste, now, before that little Parson comes. Parsons are regular old women to chatter!" and thus muttering, Pine assisted to carry Mrs. -

Vickers' maid into her cabin. "I don't wonder at you making a fool of yourself. Chances are you've caught the fever, though this breeze will help to blow it out of us. Blunt,

"What do you mean?" asked Frere, hastily, as he heard a step approach. What has Blunt to say about her?" "Why, man, she was making eyes at

every man on the ship! I caught her kissing a soldler once. Maurice Frere's cheeks grew hot. All

the time he had flattered himself that he was fascinating the black-eyed maid, the black-eyed maid had been twisting him round her finger, and perhaps imitating his love-making for the gratification of her soldier lover. It was not a pleasant thought; and yet, strange to say, the idea of Sarah's treachery did not make him dislike her. There is a sort of love which thrives under ill-

Vickers met them at the door. "Pine, Blunt has the fever. Mr. Best found him in his cabin groaning. Come and look at him."

The commander of the Malabar was lying on his bunk in the betwisted condition into which men who sleep in their clothes contrive to get themselves. The doctor shook him, bent down over him, and then loosened his collar. "He's not sick. Halloo!" says Pine, smelling at the broken tumbler, "what's this? Smells queer. Laudanum! He's been ho-

"Nonsense!" "I see it," slapping his thigh. "It's that woman! She's drugged him, and meant to do the same for-"(Frere gave him an imploring look)-"for anyoody else who would be fool enough to let her do it. Dawes was right, sir. She's in it; I'll swear she's in it." "What! my wife's maid? Nonsense!"

said Vickers. "It's no nonsense. That soldier who -but, however, it doesn't matter. It's

all over now." "The men will confess before morning," says Vickers, "and we'll see." And he went off to his wife's cabin.

His wife opened the door for him. She had been sitting by the child's bedside, listening to the firing, and waiting for her husband's return, without a murmur. Flirt, fribble, and shrew as she was, Julia Vickers had displayed, in cases of emergency, that glowing courage which women of her nature at times possess. Though she would yawn over any book above the level of a genteel love story; attempt to fascinate, with ludicrous assumption of girlishness, boys young enough to be her sons; shudder at a frog, and scream at a spider, she could sit throughout a quarter of an hour of such suspense as she had just undergone with as much courage as if she had been the strongest minded woman that ever denied her sex. "Is it all over?" she asked.

"Yes, thank God!" said Vickers, pausing on the threshold. "All is safe now, though we had a narrow escape, I believe. How's Sylvin?"

The child was lying on the bed, with her fair hair scattered over the pillow, and her tiny hands moving restlessly to and fro.

"A little better, I think, though she has been talking a good deal." (To as continued.)

An Advantage.

"When you are wandering about among these magnificent autumn woods and immemorial rocks, do you not often wish that you were a savage -a rude, untutored child of nature?"

"Indeed, I do. Then I wouldn't be able to read the advertising signs they stick all over the scenery."-Cleveland

Reincarnation. "Do you believe in reincarnation?"

"I do." "What are your grounds for thinking that way?"

"Well, I know of a man who used to be called a bird. He now appears in the form of a lobster."-Milwaukee Sentinel.

Less Labor Invoved. "How'd youse like to have de job of keepin' de streets of Havana free from snow?" jocularly inquired Tired

"I'd rather be a dummy insurance director," promptly replied Weary Wraggs.-Louisville Courier Journal.

Couldn't Remember. Teacher-Johnny, what happened on July 4, one hundred and thirty years

ago? Johnny-I dunno, ma'am. I ain't but 10.-Cleveland Leader.

Physiognomy. "He has a weak chin," observed the

physiognomist. "O, well," said the bachelor, "his wife makes up for it."-Indianapolis

In Manchuria, Siberia and North China much use is made of Chinese brick tea, not as a beverage, but as a vegetable, boiled with rice and mut-