CURRENT EVENTS OF THE DAY

Epitome of the Telegraphic News of the World.

TERSE TICKS FROM THE WIRES

An Interesting Collection of Items From the New and the Old World In a Condensed and Comprehensive Form. Samuel Cozine, an old Yamhill county pioneer of 1843, died at his home in McMinnville, at the age of 73 years.

The Illinois legislature is considering a bill giving free school books to all pupils of the public schools of the state.

An east-bound Union Pacific passenger train crashed into a freight train near Green River, Wyo., and severely injured three men.

The Neuvrei Presse of Vienna says that Great Britain has proposed that a collision between the Greek and Turkish troops on the frontier of Thessaly be prevented by the formation of a neutral zone a mile wide between the Greek and Turkish soldiers, as was done in

Mrs. Marcy Smith was dragged from the bedside of her dying son in Oakland, Cal., in a crazed condition. For a week she had stood guard in a little cottage where her only boy, Harry, has been at death's door from pneumonia. The mother, worn out by much watching and suffering for want of food, gradually lost her reason and was taken away by force to prevent her doing harm to those who had come to nurse

Police Telegraph Operator Harry Greenhoff, of the East Chicago avenue station, narrowly escaped death while making a heroic rescue of a child from beneath the wheels of an engine on St. Paul bridge. So near did he become to being crushed that his coat was torn off. The child he rescued was but 4 years old, and had wandered on the bridge in front of the fast freight train, when Greenhoff saw its danger and rescued it, at the peril of his own life.

The question of opening the Cascade timber reserve for the herding of stock is creating a stir among prominent stockmen of Eastern Oregon. The various stock associations in Wasco, Gilliam, Crook and Sherman counties propose to raise a fund of \$500 to pay the expenses of a delegate to Washington to properly present the matter to congress. The question is a vital one to sheepmen, as the closing of the reserve to them means such a scarcity of range that successful sheepraising in Eastern Oregon will be impracticable on a large

Theodore Durrant has by no means iven up the fight for his life. George A. Knight has been added to his counsel, and is now preparing a petition asking the supreme court for a rehearing of the application previously made and denied, for a new trial. If this petition, which will be sumbitted without argument, be denied, as the district attorney anticipates, there will only remain the possibility of securing the interference of the federal courts in Durrant's behalf. Failing in that, only the action of the president can step between the condemned man and the gal-

Five men were injured, two fatally, in a railroad accident at La Grange, Ill. A meat train bound for Hammond the Chicago, Hammond & Western road. The engine was ditched, two of the cars were telescoped, and the remainder of the train thrown from the

A small band of unemployed workboulevard in Golden Gate Park, Sap Francisco, to pay for which public subscriptions have been taken. Ex-Mayor Sutro warned the workmen to keep off his land, and as the boulevard extends across Sutro's property, work had to be suspended. Sutro has promised to sign a deed for the strip, however.

Miss Blanche Berard, the oldest postmistress in the country, who has held office for a half century, has resigned. Administrations and presidents changed, postmaster-generals came and went, postoffices were reorganized and reclassified, great political upheavals annihilated every branch of the government, but she remained un-

disturbed at West Point, N. Y. World says: Through Cubans here it tions to the senate: is learned that a train carrying Spanish troops was blown up by dynamite while passing over a deep gorge south of Candelaria, Pinar del Rio province, and neary 250 soldiers were killed or in-The locomotive and six cars were demolished. The tragedy occurred about the 10th inst.

Governor Rogers, of Washington, has issued his Arbor day proclamation, recommending that Friday, April 30, 1897, be devoted by the people of Washington to planting trees, shrubs and vines and in other ways beautifying their homes. In connection with the governor's proclamation, State Su- were improperly landed at this port perintendent Brown has prepared a while the Dick Williams investigation programme to be rendered in the dif- was in progress, and no Chinese intererent grades of the public schools from the first to the grammar grade, includement. All the women who have no

FIRST DAY OF DEBATS.

The House Takes Up the Tariff Bill

Washington, March 24.-The first day of the tariff debate in the house was rather tame, from both a spectacular and an oratorical standpoint. The galleries were well filled all day, and the members on the floor listened conscientiously; but there was an absence both of that sharp cross-firing which keeps the nerves on edge and that brilliant eloquence which inspires and holds the imagination. The opening of the debate was delayed over two hours by the full reading of the bill of 162 pages, and this, to begin with, had a some-what depressing influence. The Republican leaders insisted on this to avoid the possible appearance in the future, should the consideration of the hill not be completed under the five-minute rule, of a claim that the bill had not been read in full in the house, a thing which happened in the cases of both the McKinley and Wilson bills. Only four speeches were made at today's session. Dingley, chairman of the ways and means committee, opened in an hour's speech for the majority, and Wheeler fired the broadside for the opposition.

The plans of the Democrats had miscarried. Bailey, leader of the opposition, had decided to close the debate and McMillin had been selected to reply to Dingley; but at the last moment it was learned that McMillin had been unable to prepare himself, owing to the illness of his wife. The task, therefore, devolved upon Wheeler. The latter was unprepared, but, nevertheless, took the floor for an hour. Bell blazed the path for the Populists. The only other speaker at the day session was Hopkins, a member of the ways and means committee.

Bailey of Texas presented to the house tonight the minority report on the tariff bill. It was signed by all the Democratic members of the ways and means committee, and gives the grounds of their opposition to the bill.

"This bill was framed with the avowed purpose of protecting the manufacturers of the United States against foreign competition, and it is perfectly obvious that, if it accomplishes that purpose, it must result in compelling the consumers of this country to pay more for their manufactured goods, and for this reason we think it should not pass. We rest our opposition on the broad principle that congress was invested with the power of taxation as a means of collecting from each citizen his fair proportion toward the support of the government, and that it is a gross perversion of that sovereign power to employ it as a means of enabling favored classes to levy unjust charges upon the great body of the people."

The report says the disapproval of

the bounty system, as applied to the sugar industry, has been so pronounced that the committee dared not insert it. in the bill, and, in the opinion of the signers, the payment of bounties is preferable to the tariff tax, as being more direct and simple. The report concludes:

"We are unable to offer a substitute for the pending bill, because we have not been allowed a reasonable time to prepare one. Congress convened in extraordinary session Monday, and this bill was introduced the same day and referred to the committee on ways and means, which met the next morning, and on Thursday it was ordered to be reported to the house. The majority of the committee had the three months jumped the track on the Belt Line of of the last session of the last congress in which to prepare their bill, and yet they refused to allow the minority three weeks in which to prepare a substitute. We were unwilling to propose a measure that had not been carefully matured, and we must therefore men have begun the construction of a content ourselves with protesting against the passage of the committee's

In the Senate.

Washington, March 24.-The senate today agreed to a resolution requesting the president for information as to the death of Dr. Ruiz, in Cuba. Among the bills reported was the

Lodge bill, restricting immigration. Pettigrew reported the bill for free

nomes on public lands, and gave notice of an endeavor to secure action at the earliest possible moment.

Several other bills relating to Indian affairs and public lands were reported and placed on the calendar

Appointed by McKinley.

Washington, March 24 .- The presi-A Havana special to the New York dent today sent the following nomina-

> State-Joseph L. Bristow, of Kansas, fourth assistant postmaster-general. Interior-Binger Herman, of Oregon, commissioner of the general land office. Justice-J. D. Elliott, attorney for

> the district of South Dakota. Treasury-Ernest G. Timme, of Wisonsin, auditor for the state and other lepartments (fifth auditor).

Navy-Commodore Joseph N. Miller, to be rear-admiral.

Chinese Girls Will Be Deported. San Francisco, March 24 -- Special agents of the treasury today arrested sixty Chinese girls, who, it is said, preter was employed by the departregistration papers will be deported.

THE VACTIMS OF A CYCLONE

Georgia Children Perished in a Schoolhouse.

The Disaster Occurred at Arlington -The Storm at Other Places-Floods From the Gulf to Canada.

New Orleans, March 24. - The Times-Democrat Eufala, Ala., special says: This city was swept by a cyclone this norning, in which death and disaster played a dreadful part. Hourly the

ecord becomes more appalling.

For several days there has been summer mildness all through Southwest the country tributary to the Chattaas oppressive as ever it felt during the June solstice. With the coming of rain began to fall about midnight. Toward morning the leaden skies and increasing wind told of a storm, which soon came along with terrific and wrenching force. When the storm struck, shutterrs, roofs, etc., gave way, and for two hours there was terror and desolation, when the cyclone passed off to the northwest, coursing along the Chattahoochie valley.

The reports that soon came in told of Blakley, in Georgia, was almost lifted out of existence, and people seeking refuge indoors were as badly knocked stop.

stop.

The force of the explosion was apmissiles.

The most shocking story of all, however, was that which came from Arlington, Early county, Ga. It was about 8 ton academy began to assemble, and there were about fifty present when Professor Covington, noticing the storm, called them in for shelter. On crushing them into splinters.

with deadly effect upon the group of engines on the road. children who were clinging to the prothe storm shrieked through the rocking from Chicago to Boston. building, and the little ones, thrown on the floor, were crushed under flying and falling debris. The cries of the wounded and the groans of the dying are described as heartrending.

The people of the town, regardless of the wreckage of their homes, ran to the school, where they knew their children from Camaguey that Salvador Cisneros, were, only to find many dead and wounded and pinioned beneath the debris. Professor Walker had his arms and legs broken, and cannot live.

Eight were found dead, and a great many received serious injuries, among vice-president. them Prof. Covington, who will die.

The scenes around the building were most pitiful. The rain began to pour in torrents as soon as the wind passed centrated near Sancti Spiritus, and a off, and hundreds of people were combined movement of Spanish troops drenched to the skin while clearing the against them is expected.

Some remarkable escapes were relatwas lying under three of her compan- supperation of the glands of the aesowhich saved her from the severity of the blows of the falling debris.

Along the banks of the river up from Appalachicola there is but one story of fered severely from dysentery when in death and destruction. The storm the field, his medical advisers would came from the Gulf of Mexico, and, en- not allow him to return there for some tering the Appalachicola valley, tra- time on that account also. versed its confluent streams to their source.

Abbeyville there comes stories of death the intention of joining the insurgent and wreck, but no names have been re- army, but the advice given them is to ceived.

A family of five were reported killed near Geneva.

A second disaster, that of floods, is now upon the county. The rivers and creeks are swelling, and on both sides of the Chattahoochie, south of this place, the fields are overflowed, destroying all the winter's work, carrying away outhouses and cabins and floating off stock.

drowning of a family of eight persons at 4 o'clock this morning. He was on the Alabama side of the river, in Henry county. Richard Manson, with night shift. The belting that operates his wife and six children, lived in a cabin on the river bank, at the crossing of the Central railroad from Columbia. The water rushed in, surrounding the cabin, and all were lost.

Against the Railroads.

Washington, March 24.-The su-United States versus the Trans-Missouri Justice Peckham. It reverses the deci. the body had been mashed to a pulp. sion of the court below and holds the Seeley was 20 years of age, and a naanti-trust law of 1890 to be applicable tive of Illinois. He had lived here to railroad transportation and the traffic about a year and had relatives on agreement pool to be illegal.

LOCOMOTIVE BOILER BURST. Killed Engineer and Fireman, but Passengers Knew Nothing of It.

Chicago, March 23 .- The boiler of the locomotive, which was hauling the Jhicago and Boston special, on the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern road, blew up this morning, instantly killing the engineer and fireman and com-MANY WERE FATALLY INJURED pletely demolishing the engine. The

dead are: Alexander Franks, engineer. of Chicago; Edward B. Smith, fireman, of Chicago. The enigneer was hurled 200 feet

into the air through a network of telegraph wires that were stretched along the tracks and had his right leg torn off. The fireman was thrown against a cattle car with such force that almost every bone in his body was broken. None of the rest of the train crew nor any of the passengers were injured.

The train to which the engine was attached is one of the fastest on the Georgia and Southwest Alabama, and Lake Shore, and leaves Van Buren street depot at 10:30 in the morning. hoochie river. Yesterday, the ther- The accident occurred about 11 o'clock, mometer went to 80, and the air was as the train had just pulled out from Englewood, and was running at the rate of twenty miles an hour. A peculiar night, the skies were beclouded and feature of the explosion was the fact that although the report was so loud it was heard by residents half a mile away, and the force so great that the engine was literally blown to atoms, none of the passengers in the rear part of the train heard the report and were not aware that anything unusual had happened until they looked out after the train had come to a sudden stop. The train went about 150 feet after the explosion took place, and, although the the terrible devastation. The town of stop was quite sudden, none of the passengers were thrown from their seats, and not one of the coaches was dam-

of the engine were thrown into the air 100 feet, and pieces of the boiler were tossed into a swamp, a distance of 250 feet, while the baggage car, directly o'clock when the pupils of the Arling- behind the engine, was not damaged in any way.

It is not known just what caused the

explosion, officials of the road saying that it will not be determined until and on came the storm, with a roaring what remains of the engine is taken sound, increasing until it lifted two apart and examined. It was thought cabins across the way into midair, at first that there was no water in the boiler, but this theory was abandoned, The sight of this so affrighted the as it was a through train, and the enchildren that they clung piteously to gine had just been taken from the Professor Walker and Professor Coving- roundhouse. It was rumored that the ton, who vainly tried to quiet them. boiler was defective in some respects, A crackling noise was heard, and the but this was denied by officials of the shutters and swinging doors were road. The latter say the locomotive wrenched from their hinges. Then was in good condition in every respect, came a twisting and a careening, and had been in service about three years, the north partition gave way, falling and was considered one of the fastest

The train that it was pulling was fessors. The doors and windows gone, known as No. 10, and is a through train

PRESIDENT CISNEROS DEAD.

Masso Becomes Head of the Cuban Republic.

Havana, March 23.-It is reported president of the Cuban republic, is dead; that Vice-President Bartlome Masso succeeds him as president, and that Dr. Capott, ex-professor of the Havana university, will be appointed

General Quintin Bandera has returned to Camaguey.

A large body of insurgents is con-

For the last few days, Captain-General Weyler has been greatly annoyed ed. One little girl, almost suffocated, by a serious affection of the throat with ions, whose bodies had formed a buffer, phagus. On Wednesday, after a consultation with his physicians, it was decided that for a time the patient must have absolute rest. As he suf-

In addition to the lad Nelson, several other American boys have arrived at From Henry county, Ala., around Havana within the last few days with return to the United States. The boy, Robert Emmett Scully, of Somerville, N. J., who came to join the insurgents, will probably be shipped back to New York at the request of his family and of the American state department.

Caught by a Belt.

Astoria, Or., March 28.-Charles Seeley, an employe of the Young's Late tonight news comes of the River pulp mills, met a horrible fate one of the two men employed on the the large grinders flew off the pulleys, and the signal was given the engineer to shut down until it was replaced. As this was being done, and while the shaft was revolving slowly, Seeley reached up and caught hold of the beit. It is supposed his arm went through a loop, and, becoming entangled, the preme court has decided the case of the young man was sent whirling with the shaft. The first revolution threw him Freight Association against the rail- against the ceiling, killing him. Beroads. The opinion was rendered by fore the machinery could be stopped

Young's river.

WORK OF A FRENZIED MAN

A Missouri Tragedy That Resulted in Five Deaths.

WAS JEALOUS OF HIS WIFE the telegraphic circuit.

After Nearly Exterminating His Whole Family. The Murderer Blew epa fired on the gendarmes, who re-off the Top of His Own Head. turned the fire, killing one of them. Off the Top of His Own Head.

Richmond, Mo., March 23. - A tragedy resulting in the death of five members of one family is reported from Orrick, a small village thirty-five miles southwest of here. B. Rainwater, a farmer, shot and killed his wife; his mother-in-law, Mrs. William Artman; his brother-in-law, James Thurman, and his little stepdaughter, Ethel Gentry. Then, after so nearly exterminating a whole family, the murderer blew off the top of his own head.

The tragedy occurred last night at the home of William Artman, sr., father-in-law of the murderer. The families lived a mile apart on the bank of the Missouri river, three miles south of Orrick. Last week Mrs. Artman, sr., was taken sick, and sent for her daughter. Ethel Gentry, Mrs. Rainwater's daughter by a former husband, went with her mother. On Saturday evening, Rainwater, who had been alone at home for several days, went to the Artman house to spend the night. In the evening he went to church with Johnny Artman, and upon their return he appeared in a good humor. At bedtime Rainwater proposed to young Artman that they go out and shoot some dogs that were barking outside. Artman consenting, they took a shotgun and revolver and went out. They had gone but fifty yards from the house when Rainwater, who was walking behind the boy, leveled his shotgun and shot Artman in the back. Leaving the boy for dead, Rainwater returned to the house, where all the other members of the family were by this time in bed.

In a big room, Mrs. Rainwater and her daughter, Fanny Gentry, and a 10year-old daughter of the Artmans, were in bed. Entering the room and leveling his gun at the aged Mrs. Artman, threw up her hands as he fired. The charge carried off all of her fingers and Journal says: tore away one side of her face. She was instantly killed.

Artman and the young Artman girl. He then deliberately reloaded both and industry will be lost.

barrels of the gun and went into the Johnny Artman, whom he had left for says: dead. The boy crawled almost to the door. Rainwater killed him with an- gold countries, especially to Germany, other charge of buckshot, which tore away a part of the boy's head.

The murderer completed his most horrible crime by leaning against a great losses are threatened to our finanfence, and, with the charge of buckshot cial investments in the United States. of his head.

The tragedy was not known till this marks, and billions of German capital morning, when the aged Mr. Artman and his little daughter, who were beside themselves with grief and fright, called in some neighbors who were passing. Rainwater had been considered jealous of his wife, and had frequently quarreled with her, but there had been nothing in his conduct to warn the family of his murderous intentions.

THE MAJOR WANTS WAR.

Arthur Wagner, of the United States Army, Believes in Bloodshed.

Kansas City, March 23.-Major Arthur S. L. Wagner, United States army, in an interview with a reporter here,

war. It is time that Europe had a moment longer than Jackson. bloodletting. War will clear up condi- neck of neither was broken, and both tions as a thunder storm clears the

atmosphere." "What do you think of war for America?" was asked.

"America has needed a war for some time." replied Major Wagner. foreign war a few years ago would have to the last, and on the gallows protestprevented the so-called hard times, and ed their innocence, and died with their the discontent of the period." "And a war now?" queried the re-

"A declaration of war by Spain

would be a godsend."

"War," added the soldier, "not only tion, or whether others were implicatclears up the political and national at- ed. There were over 300 men men mosphere, but it purges the moral at- within the enclosure to witness the mosphere. The loss of life and horrors hanging, and many thousands gathered of fire and blood seem beyond being around the jail yard, but the special condoned; nevertheless, as the greatest deputies and police maintained order. good for the greatest number, war is The execution was quickly dispatched, the, only remedy for the evils of long as neither man had anything to say on peace. American people are for war the gallows, except to declare his innoright now. These peculiar outbreaks cence, and Rev. A. J. Lee was brief in are the symptoms of a demand for war. his remarks. The inevitable result of unbroken peace is what we see in China today."

capable of adding 100 tons a year to to sleep for two years more. Governor the world's supply, is reported to have Rogers today refused to give the measbeen found in a creeping plant growing ure his official sanction, and stated as

BLOCKADE HAS BEGUN.

Greek Ships Will Be Prevented From Approaching Crete.

Canea, March 23.-The situation in Crete today may be described as one of expectancy. This morning the fact that the blockade had formally begun was generally communicated from Canea to all points in the island in

Pillaging still continues. Three Turkish soldiers who were caught in the act of pillage Saturday night Hal-

Some doubt is now expressed by officials here as to whether Colonel Vassos, commander of the Greek forces in Crete, will be able to hold out long, owing to the scarcity of provisions. It is denied by the officials that there is friction between the admirals and the

Foreign Warships at Crete.

London, March 23 .- The Athens correspondent of the Times says a strong gale is blowing across the Agean sea, which will make the blockade ex-

ceedingly difficult. It is reported the admirals purposely refrained from interfering with vessels which have recently landed provisions in Crete, one having discharged a cargo at Akrotiri almost under the eyes of the admirals.

The necessity of removing the Turkish troops from the island becomes more and more imperative. Absolutely nothing else, continues the correspondent, will convince the Cretans of Europe's sincerity. It may be regarded as certain that they will even prevent the departure of the Greek army by force until the Turks have gone. There is no time to be lost. It is impossible that Greece and Turkey could long sup-port the armies they have mobilized. Each will favor provoking a struggle to seeing its troops starve.

THE AMERICAN TARIFF.

Arouses the German Press to a Spirit of Animosity.

Berlin, March 23. - The German press displays special interest in the new American tariff. The Cologne Gazette publishes the full text of the bill, and all leading newspapers publish extracts from it, and editorials on the murderer shouted: "D-n you! the subject. These latter breathe a I've got you all now!" Mrs. Artman spirit of fierce animosity, and a strong desire for reprisals. The Kleiner

"If this bill becomes a law, Europe, and especially Germany, must feel it Turning around, he literally blew his to be an intentional blow in the face. wife's head off with the other charge A large part of our exports is thereby in the shotgun. Then drawing the prohibited, and exports of another revolver, the murderer fired two bul-lets into the body of Fanny Gentry, Many of our industries will be forced one passing through her lungs and to completely reorganize their system the other entering the brain. She, of production, raise the quality of their too, died instantly. For an unknown goods and specialize. This will require reason Rainwater spared the aged Mr. a period of experiment and delay. In the meanwhile, much of the commerce

Referring to the currency plans of door-yard. There he encountered the United States, the Kleiner Journal

"We deem silver to be a danger to even greater than the tariff. The remainder of our commerce in America will be put on a shifting basis, and remaining in the gun, blew off the top Our holdings in the Northern Pacific railway alone amount to 2,000,000

> The Tageblatt, National Zeitung, Cologne Gazette, Weiser Zeitung, and Hamburger Nachrichten publish similar articles.

will be imperilled."

A MURDER AVENGED.

Pearl Bryan's Slayers Died on the Scaffold.

Newport, Ky., March 23.-The murder of Pearl Bryan, fourteen months ago, was avenged today. Scott Jackson and Alonzo Walling were executed at 11:45 A. M. from the same scaffold. There was a double trap, but only one lever, and when Sheriff Plummer pulled the lever, both dropped the same in-"The Cretan imbroglio feels full of stant. Walling, however, lingered a struggled hard in the process of strangulation. The arrangements were complete,

and the performance was so perfect that it was without any incident unusual on "A such occasions. Both men were nervy secrets, so that it may never be known what was done with the head of Pearl Bryan, or where she lodged the two nights previous to her murder, or what part each took in the decapita-

Capitol Bill Vetocd.

Olympia, Wash., March 28 .- The A new source of true gutta percha, capitol building project has been put his reason that it was not legally passed.