thousands of people who would like to stock associations within the past year see him president."

NOT DISCOURAGED.

Philadelphia, Pa., April 6.-It was gleaned tonight, from what is considred a reliable source, that Admiral Dewey had a two hours' conference here today with three gentlemen who came from New York. In an inter-view, the admiral avoided all questions as to the reported visits.

"It has been stated that, if McKinley and Bryan are nominated, you will run independently; is that true?" he was asked.

"I have never said so," said the admiral.

"How do you feel about the way the people of the country have received your announcement?" the questioner **ENGLISH TROOPS ARE SURROUNDED** asked.

"Well," he replied, "one must expect a great many things to be said of a man who has taken such a step." "Then you are not at all discour-aged?"

'No, sir, I am not discouraged."

MILES A CANDIDATE.

New York, April 7.-The World says: "General Nelson A. Miles is willing to be the Democratic nominee for president. He has so stated to his friends, and tert days ago he visited Wm. C. Whitney to talk with him about the possibility of his being nominated. Whitney told the general that all leading Gold Democrats were as much opposed to the nomination of Bryan r w as they were when he was nominated four years ago, but he did net commit near Reddersburg, a little eastward of the Bethany railway station, within a few miles of this place. They were himself to the support of the general. He merely took the matter under advisement, and said he would consult with his friends."

enemy, with four or five guns. The detachment held out from noon of April 3d until April 4th at 9 a. m and then apparently surrendered, for it is reported that the firing ceased a DORMITORY FOR that time. Immediately after I heard the news, during the afternoon of April ad, I ordered Gatacre to proceed from Springiontein, his present headquart-ers, to Reddersburg with all possible speed, and I dispatched the Cameron Highlanders hence to Bethany. He arrived at Reddersburg at 10,30 a. m. without opposition, but could get no news of the missing detachment. There can be no doubt that the whole party has been made prisoners.

ENGLAND ALARMED.

ACTIONS OF

THE BOERS

Have Bewildered and Alarmed

British Strategists.

And Captured by Kruger's Irregular Cav-

airy-London Astonished at the

Latest War News.

LONDON, April 6.-Lord Roberts

reports that five companies of British

troops have been captured by Boers

near Bethany. The following is the text of his dispatch to the war office.

occurred, resulting, I fear, in the cap-

ture of a party of infantry, consisting of three companies of the Royal Irish

Fusiliers and two companies of the

Ninth regiment of mounted infantry,

surrounded by a strong force of the

"Another unfortunate occurrence has

announcing the capture:

London, April 7 .- (Saturday, 4:30 a. m.)-Not a word regarding the disaster at Reddersburg has been allowed to come through, except the dispatch of Lord Roberts. It is, therefore, impossible to form any notion as to what has happened. Meanwhile, the British public is beginning to realize the immense difficulties to be overcome, even before Pretoria is reached, and is re viving the premoture ideas with respect to the time when the war will be over. No one believes now that it will have ended by the beginning of June. The latest disaster, more panticularly illustrates the heavy task involved in holding the railway. This body of some 500 British troops without guns, which disappeared so completely with-in thirty-five miles of the Great British army, had for its business to guard the section of nearly ninety miles of raifway between Bloemfontein and Springfontein.

If it could thus be spirited away, how is Lord Roberts to ensure his continUnited States that has ever been taken in the country. Briefly, it is proposed to secure the classified enumeration of cattle, sheep, hogs, and horses in the United States, their age, sex and class. and, as far as possible, to make the enumeration include all matters in relation to the live stock industry that will be of interest and value to stockmen.

In the difficult work of securing such an enumeration on the ranges, the responsibilility for making the idea a success has been largely thrown by the census bureau upon the International Live Stock Association. whose headquarters are at Denver, Colo., and Mr. Chas. F. Martin, the secretary of the association, has been appointed special agent of the census bureau to take charge of this work; and the members of the association, it is expected, will aid in it so far as possible. The responsibility cast upon the association has been ac-cepted by it, and only reliable and trustworthy stockmen will be employ-ed to do the work. The president of the association has issued an address calling upon all stockmen) whether memebers of the organization or not. to render every possible assistance, and the assurance is given that every saleguard will be thrown around individual reports so that they cannot be used for improper purposes, or for any purpose save the compilation of accurate statistics in relation to the industry. Stockmen who divulge the facts in relation to their private business affairs need have no fear that the information will ever pass beyond the census department.

or two, arrangements are in progress county judge and commissioner of the for making the twelith census the first critizens' ticket to a reduction rather real census of the live stock of the than ap increase in the expense of the county government; the ordinary current expenses to be kept within \$40,000 per year; no expenditure of \$1000 or over to be made until the proposition had been submitted and endorsed by the voters of the county; and to place the county on a cash basis at the earli-est possible date.

resolution was unanimously adopted and at 10:20 o'clock the citizens' con-

cerning county affairs, pledged the

vention was declared adjourned.

(Continued from first spage).

enviable position on committees and is situated to get things accomplished. Oregon cannot afford to send a new man. He would be six years behind McBride, if not more. Owing to the peculiar condition of the Senate at the time of McBride's election, he received some good assignments at once. Sen-ator McBride has the respect of all Senators, Republicans and Democrats,

Hard to Replace.

as a thoroughly safe and sound man, but bold and unflinching."

while by the Republicans he is trusted

Senator James McMillan, of Michigan, says: "It gives me much pleasure to say

that I have been associated with Senator McBride, in the committee on commerce, and in the Senate, and have al ways found him prompt in his attend-ance, a legislator of excellent judg.aent. a man keenly alive to the interests of his state and of the Pacific coast generally. The new problems arising from the possession of the Philippines will require all the experience and knowledge that service in the Senate can command, and no new Senator is likely which Senator McBride obtained, not only by virtue of his own ability, but by reason of the fact that he was a member of the Senate when these were iew-er Republicans to be assigned to places on important committees. I should sou, Frank Fitzgerald, Walter Blessber of the Senate when there were fewsay that the state of Oregon must inevitably lose influence by any change that could be made, no matter how distinguished the new Senator might be. My personal relations with Senator Mc-Bride lead me strongly to desire, his return.

Commanding Influence in Committees.

Senator Foraker, chairman of the committee on Pacific islands and Puerto Rico, says:

"I think Senator McBride one of the efficient Senators in the body. He is a man of sound judgment, and absolutely faithful and diligent in the dis-



Alter considerable discussion, the Caused a Second Johnstown Horror at Austin, Texas.

HE IS TRUSTED MANY LIVES LOST IN THE FLOOD

A Monster Reservoir Above the City, Swol-Ten By Heavy Rains, Swept Away

All Obstacles.

AUSTIN, Tex., April 7.- This city tonight in pitch darkness with a ragng river, one mile wide and swollen far beyond its natural banks, roaring and surging through all the lower portion of the town, having spread destruction and death in its wake. In addition to the vast loss to property interests, it is calculated that betwen thirty and forty lives have been sacrificed. and reports coming in from the tributary country tonight do not tend to mprove matters. The flood is not unlike the disastrous Johnstown flood some 'years ago, in that a raging river, already swollen far beyond its capacity. bore too heavily upon the immease dam spanning the river, breaking it and leting loose a reservoir of water thirty miles long, a haif mile mide, and sixty gress have received several petitions feet deep, to aid in carrying destruction down the valleys of the Colorado river. gave way at noon today from the enormous pressure of water and debris, and with a roar and crash, swept the valleys

below the city, wrecking the immense to obtain the places on committees light and power plant and drowning eight workmen. Following is a list of the known dead, including those killed in the power house:

man, Joseph Newman, Dick Morris (colored), John Proes, Charles Burchrd and six negroes.

Last Wednesday night it began to rain very hard at this place, the storm extending north of here along the watersheds of the Colorado ver. The precipitation continued until morning.

the Colorado river having risen forty feet within ten hours. The river began to rise so rapidly that it became evident that the dam, power-house and contents, costing \$1,500.000, were in umminent danger.

Houses, trees and debris commenced descending the river and piled up charge of his duties. His opiaions are against the upper face of the dam. The respected by all his colleagues, and he crisis came shortly after 11 o'clock, has a commanding influence in the work when suddenly with a report like the of committees where the most import- roar of the ocean, a great wedge. ant work of the Senate lies. He has twenty-five feet high, 500 feet ide and the confidence and respect of all the about eight feet thick, rolled out of Senators on both sides of the chamber, the center section of the dam, down the center section of the dam, down preace and constable for the Salem dis-Senators on both sides of the circle in the sale is face, a sixty-foot fall, into the river way. Senators MoBride and Simon trict, there was quite a contest. For and on this account is able to render below. This left a hanging gap in the will cordially co-operate in supporting trict, there was quite a contest. For and on this account is able to render below. This left a hanging gap in the will cordially co-operate in supporting justice there persons were named, as efficient service for his state, far beyond very middle of the dam through which this measure in the senate, and Reprelows. I R Fairbanks I O'Donald what any new member, however able, very middle of the dam, through which and T. T. Parker. In the first ballot could render for at least some years, the debris and water freely poured. while the flood, already raging, was banks 22, O'Donald 34, Parker 6, John stands for his party on all party meas- threatening everything in its path. The released water poured into the power house, catching the eight em-ployes at work there, drowning all of them. A crowd of white people, num-bering about thirty, living just below the dam in tents, were seen just before the dam broke, and have not been accounted for since. It is generally beleved that all were swept away. A family of six negroes, living in the valley south of this city, are known to have been drowned. The International & Great Northern, and the Austin & Northwestern railroads, both entering this city, have suffered severely. The southbound cannon-ball train irom St. Louis, on the International & Great Northern, was wrecked at McNeill, nine miles above here, as the result of washout. The engine and cars plunged into a culvert, but iortunately no lives were lost.

who are alraid of it, had Bruck flown the appropriation for the continuance of the work. He declared he was ashamed that any Americans should uphold such work of a secret political society. He would denounce it, if n-

He ridiculed the A. if for scopt-ing a resolution demanding is impeachment, for saying on the floor of the senate what he was now saying, Vest eloquently told of the results of the work of the Jesuits among the Hat-head Indians. He said the Jesuits were not doing the work for the love of the Indians, but "for the love of Christ." "I don't believe," said Lodge, Re-

publican of Massachusetts, addressing the senate in reply to Vest, "that it is right to tax one man to support another man's religion."

Gallinger, Republican of New Hampshire, opposed the amendment, in the course of which he referred to the work done by Mr. Duncan among Metlakatla Indians. Shoup, Republican of Idaho, called attention to the fact that, while Duncan's work was the most otable, in his opinion, ever accomplished by one man among the Indians, he had performed it without one dollor assistance from the United States government.

FOR HARBOR IMPROVEMENT.

SENATOR M'BRIDE'S EFFORTS FOR APPROPRIATIONS

For Extension of the Jetty Work at the Mouth of the Columbia- Success is Assured.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 7-Special to the Statesman.)-The members of the Oregon delegation in conand letters from the Chambers of Commerce at Astoria, Portland and Salem, The great dam in the Colorado river urging them to make every effort to secure an appropriation for the extension of the jetty at the mouth of the Columbia river, according to the plans submitted by Capt. Langfitt, last November.

Notwithstanding the fact that it is considered almost impossible to obtain the appropriation necessary for this work, except in the river and har-bor bill, Senator McBride today introduced the proposed amendment to the sundry civil bill, appropriating the full amount estimated for the completion of the work, \$2.500.000, and had it reierred to the committee on commerce of which he is a member. The senator does not expect the committee to recommend an appropriation for the full amount, as such action would be unprecedented, but he believes the Oregon delegation can secure earlier action, by having it before the committee for early discussion, than by waiting for the river and harbor bill. It is hoped that the full consideration of the matter by the committee will neet with such an understanding of the necessity for early mprovements, as will favorably dispose congress towards some, method of preventing a further deterioation of the present jetty, and toward a preparation for larger work, which this is expected will be authorized in the river and harbor bill, if it cannot be had in any other way. Senators MeBride and Simon sentatives Tongue and Moody will be equally earnest in supporting it in the house, A. B. SLAUSON.

SENATOR M'BRIDE'S CARE FOR THE SCHOOL. Large Appropriation for the Institution it was not a matter of party name, but Provided by the Senate at of principle. Yesterday's Session. The amendment to the motion was

deleated by a unanimous vote, while WASHINGTON, April 6.-(Special to the Statesman).-The Indian appronot a dissenting vote was cast against the original motion. This was quite a priation bill was up for consideration surprise after so much opposition had in the senate today. In addition to the been manifested to the report. usual appropriations for Oregon, the Nominations for county judge were called, and the following names were presented: J. C. Johnson, of Wood-burn; E. P. Morcom, of Woodburn; ollowing amendments of Senator Mc-

Bride were adopted: For a brick dermitory Indian school, Chemawa, \$20,000. For the purchase or construction of a portable sawmill, Klamath agency, \$30,000. This is to replace the sawmill which was burned W. W. Elder, of Stayton; Geo. Griswold, of Salem; J. B. Waldo, of Macleay. Ex-County Judge T. L. Davidson and G. H. Croisan, both of Salem. last summer. Other improvements for were also named, but both declined. the Klamath agency are as follows: Mr. Elder received the nomination on For water works and sewerage system, the first ballot, the detailed vote being: \$3.300; for the construction of a barn, Johnson 17, Morcom 19, Elder 162, \$1.043; for lighting systems, \$3.000. Griswold 23, Waldo 8, Davidson 12. The Republican members of the Total number of votes cast 241. Upon house of representatives held a caucus motion of G. S. Downing the nominalast evening and decided to suppor tion was made unanimous the senate amendments to the Puerto For county recorder, John J. King, of Macleav: Chas. Yannke, of East Sa-Rican bill, which provide a civil government for the island, and further proem and W .H. Downing, of Sublimity, vides for entire free trade between the were named. United States and Puento Rico not Downing declined and Mr. King was later than March 1, 1902, and earlies declared the unanimous choice of the than that should the island legislature convention. enact a different revenue law. Republican senators are receiving peace and constable for the Salem distelegrams from all over the country congratulating them on passing the bill with these important amendments,



rances"; the foremost among is, why do not the British troops entrench? It is argued that, if this had been done, even 500 men might have held out pntil reinforcements arrived. It cannot he concealed that the utmost alarm is beginning to be felt. It is said that the Boers, who captured the British at Reddersburg, belonged to Olivier's he may still be cut off. It is asserted state, to the committee on privileges that 4000 rebels surrendered during and elections. The Boers will do their utmost to hold Ladybrand and Thabanchu, both being rich grain producing districts. Ten. thousand remounts from South America are due to arrive during the com-ing week, at the ports of Natal and Cape Colony.

DEWEY'S CANDIDACY.

ADMIRAL AGAIN' SAYS, HE IS A DEMOCRAT.

His Brother-in-Law Has Engaged Rooms for the Kansas City Convention-Dewey to Attend.

WASHINGTON, April 6.-Admiral and Mrs. Dewey returned to Washington tonight, from their brief visit to Philadelphia. A number of reporters were at the house, awaiting his return. In response to a question, the admiral said that he expected in a few days to have ready for the press, a statement as to his plens for the future.

"Can you confirm the statement you are credited with making, that you are a Democrat?" persisted one of the reporters.

"Certainly, I am a Democrat," he replied. "I always have been a Demo-crat," he added, smilingly.

"Have you ever voted the Demo-cratic ticket?" he was asked.

No, I never voted in my life. The only man I ever wanted to vote for was Mr. Cleveland," was his reply. "It is said that Cleveland wants you

to run on the straight Gold Democratic platform," one interviewer suggested. "Good night," answered the admiral

"Good night," answered the automa without answering the question, and re-tiring. On Monday next Admiral and House Passes a Substitute for the Sen-ate Measure.

DEWEY WILL ATTEND.

Kansas City, April 6.-John R. Mc-Lean, brother-in-law of Admiral Dewey, has engaged elaborate quarters at one of the leading hotels for the Demoeratic convention in July. The rooms are very choice, and it is reported that they are to be shared by Admiral Dewey.

WHITNEY'S VIEW.

New York, April 6 -- Wm. C. Whit-ney said today that all statements, sug-gesting that he has had something to do with the candidacy of Admiral Dewey for he Presidency, are without ation. He said:

"I do not consider myself so related to politics at present, as to be entitled in making candidates. I have the pro-foundest admiration for Dewey. I he-lieve it to be the act of the admiral himself. His nature is simple and straightforward, and he has conditess been solicited to become a candidate by

ually extending communication? Other licens will almost unanimously support licens will almost unanimously support it. A. B. SLAUSON.

A THORNY PATH.

Senator Blackburn's Credentials May Be Held Up.

Washington, April 6.-Senator De boe, Republican of Kentucky, today gave notice that he would move to recommand. If so, he has not retired fer the credentials of former Senator north, and the hopes are expressed that J. C. S. Blackburn, as senator from that

THE DEMOCRATS WIN.

KENTUCKY SUPREME COURT DECIDES ELECTION.

Four Democrats and Two Republicans Agree, the Seventh, a Republican, Dissenting.

FRANKFORT, April 6.- The court of appeals today handed down a decision in the governship case in favor of the Democrats. The opinion is by six judges, four Democrats and two Re-One Republican, Durelle, publicans. dissented.

The opinion holds that the action of the legislature in seating Beckham was final, and that the courts have no power to review it; that Taylor exceeded his authority in adjourning the legislature to London, and that the journals of the two houses of the legislature being irregular, can be impeached.

Judge Durelle was the only judge dissenting. The other two Republican judges, Burnam and Guffy, gave a separate opinion from the Democratic judges, but which agreed with the Democratic members in its conclusion. Judge Hobson wrote the opinion of the court. The concurrence of Judges Burnam and Guffy with the four Democratic judges was a surprise generally, but to the

Republicans especially. Ex-Governor W. O. Bradley, chief counsel of Governor Taylor, tonight authorized a statement that the appeal on behalf of Governor Taylor and Lieutenant Governor Marshall will be carried to the supreme court of the United States.

Washington, April 61-The house after a four days' debate, today passed a substitute for the senate bill providing for a territorial form government for Hawaii. The bill now goes to conference. Dearmond, Democrat of Missouri, offered an amendment, competi-ing all Asiatics who have entered the islands under contract since the date of annexation, to leave within one year. It was adopted.

DEWEY'S CANDIDACY.

Chicago, April 6.—Should the Dewey committee finally decide, owing to the admiral's political aspirations, not to welcome him on May 1st. in Chicago, the Grand Army of the Republic will invite him, as a presidential candidate, to attend the great encampment to be held in Chicago in Angust.

CLASSIFIED LIVE STOCK CENSUS. A

Upon the initiative of various live

63 votes were cast as follows: Fair- He is known here as a Republican who Chase I. leging a miscount in that their nine on any account." votes for Mr. Fairbanks were not recorded. Chairman Slater ordered a second ballot. The name of T. T. Parker was withdrawn and the ballot. The Act to Be Revised by Congress resulted in the election of Mr. O'Donald, the vote being: O'Donald 44. Fairbanks 26, Parker 2. J. H. Lewis was the unanimous choice of the Salem portant piece of general pension legisdistrict delegates for constable.

In the selection of justice of the

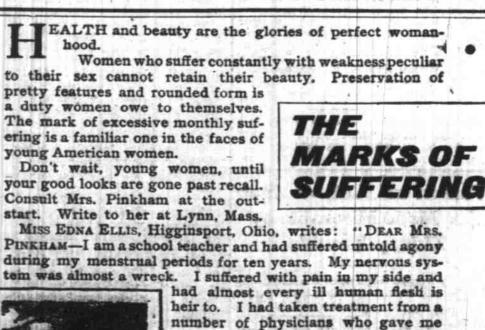
Mr. Yannke and Mr.

A few of the country precincts selected candidates for justice of the general pension laws, was passed upon peace and constable and the conven- i tion adjourned sine die.

Immediately following adjournment, taken on reporting the bill to the house an electors' or "citizens'" meeting was and placing it on the house calendar convened, W. T. Slater calling the as-semblage to order. Mr. Slater was made chairman and C. W. Corby, sec-creases the age limit on which the retary.

county convention was endorsed and ant amendment increases, from \$96 to ratified

which, after setting forth statistics con- feiting the right to a pension.



North Salem protested, al- ures, and who never flinches or 'trims'

PENSION LEGISLATION.

A Sliding Scale,

Washington, April 9 .- The most imlation before congress, that of revising the pension act of June 1890, and other i a tentative manner today, by the house committee on invalid pensions, and the sense of the committee, was pensions are to be allowed, and fixes Upon motion of Webster Holmes. seconded by a number of persons, the ticket nominated by the Democratic at 68 and \$12 at 70. Another import-\$250 the amount of the annual income

E. Hofer introduced a resolution which a widow may have without for-

no relief. In fact one

eminent specialist said

no medicine could help

me. I must submit to

an operation. At my

mother's request, I

wrote to Mrs. Pink-

ham stating my

case in every par-

ticular and re-

ceived a prompt

reply. I followed

the advice given

me and now I

suffer no more

during menses,

If anyone cares

to know more

about my case, I

will cheerfully answer all

MISS KATE COOK. 16 Ad-

letters.

APPALLING LOSS.

St. Louis, Mo., April 7 .- A special to the Post-Dispatch from Dallas, Tex., argues, The following dispatch has been savs: received from Austin:

'An appalling loss of life, accompaned the breaking of the dam. Fourteen lives were lost when the power house was swept away. Eight men were working on the upper floor, and six were in the basement. No other lives are known to have been lost directly but it is believed a heavy loss must have resulted in the valley and lowlands of the Colorado river to the

LOSS OF MACHINERY. Austin, Tex., April 8 .- The power house at the dam, at 1:30 this morning fell into the river, carrying with \$300,000 worth of machinery.



SECTARIAN SCHOOLS DISCUS SED IN THE SENATE.

Vest, of Missouri, Urges Appropriations for Contract Schools Among the Indian Tribes.

WASHINGTON, April 7 .- During almost the entire session of the senate today, an amendment to the Indian sppropriation bill, offered by Jones, Democrat of Arkansas, providing for a continuance of the government's employment of contract Indian schools, in certain circumstances, was under consideration. The debate took a wide range, the whole question of .ectarian schools being gone over at length. The notable feature of the discussion was the eloquent speech delivered in support of the amendment by Vest, Democrat of Missouri. The amend-ment was pending when the senate adjourned.

In the course of his remarks, Vest paid a tribute to Booker T. Washington, who has done great work arrong the colored people of the South. Prof. the colored people of the South. Prof. Washington had struck the keynote of the great negro problem, he said, by teaching the colored youth how to labor. This, he added, was the true secret of the success of the Catholics in their work among the Indians. They taught them how to work. This great undertaking had gone forward until, Vest said, the A. P. A. and cowards

THE END AT LAST.

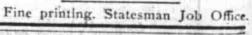
Portland University to Go. Out of Ex-istence on June 1st.

Portland. April 7 .- The announcement was made today that the Portland University would go out of existence June 1st. and all alumni of the Pertian1 institution will be enrolled on the records of Willamette University at Salem.

A HAPPY DAY.

Dublin, April 7 .- The children's demonstration, which closed the Queen's week in Ireland, was probably one of the most gladsome days either the Queen or Dublin has known in years. Her 'Majesty's many acts of personal self-sacrifice have completely won the hearts of the people of Ireland.

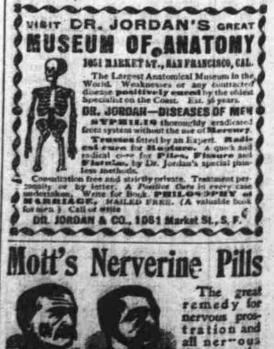
If people did not flatter one another there would be little society .- Vauven-



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ceived more benefit from Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Com-

pound than from all remedies that I have ever tried."