VICTORIA, B. C., FRIDAY, AUGUST 31, 1894.

mits of our highest mountains. In probability it is vastly less. Such a lo pressure must be discouraging, to sa the least, to the beings like ourselve who, we are told, inhabit Mars, and a dently desire to communicate with the "Such fancies are at once overthro

by the solid result of observations li the present one, and the way is clear for further discoveries, which will res on a real and not on a fantastic basis,

AN ONTARIO BEAR FIGHT Two Artemisia Farmers Who Met the Match in Bruin.

One of the most remarkable encou rs with a bear ever recorded in this cinity, or, we venture to say, in Canad took place five miles from Flesi Friday evening last, says the Advance when two gentlemen named respective James Oliver and James Vause were badly wounded that they will be laid from work for some time to come and miraculously escaped death. Mr. Vaus owns a farm on the South line, Arteme sia, and Mr. Oliver is a near neighbor A black bear had discovered Mr. Vause oat field, and was a nightly visitor the to. The two gentlemen, therefore, decided to watch for the marauder and pu an end to his depredations. Armed wit Winchesters, they repaired to the field in the dusk of the evening and his themselves among the oats. It was no long they had to wait. Just as the shades of night were falling bruin was heard in the grain, not far from the watchers. Both gentlemen got upon their feet, and the bear rose upon his him legs at the same time. Mr. Vause tool aim and fired, the ball taking effect in the animal's neck, rolling him over Jumping up, the animal started for the both men in pursuit. The fired as they ran, but none of the balk appeared to reach the mark. They wever, came to close quarters, an Mr. Vause was preparing to give a vital shot, when the bear suddenly wheeled and struck him on the breast and side knocking him down and jumping upor him, at the same time attempting to bite his throat. This Mr. Vause pre vented by shoving his hand into bruin's mouth, which the animal chewed say agely in its rage. At this juncture Mr Oliver shot at the bear with a revolver their larger ammunition having been exhausted. The bear then turned an knocked Mr. Oliver down, when Vause regained his feet and knocked the bear down twice with the butt end of his musket, but it regained its for each time, and succeeded in getting in blow upon Mr. Vause which knocked him hors de combat. Both men we then on the ground and dazed through loss of blood and the trip hammer blow administered by the brute, which, ha it followed up its advantage, might easily have put an end to the lives of its eting its assailants. However this may be, it left its prey and ran into the forest. Both men painfully made their way the house, which was not far away and Dr. Hutton, of Priceville, was called to dress the wounds. Mr. Oliver's leg was bitten in eight places and his hand

distance, was almost prostrated with fright The sequel to the battle remains to b told. On Saturday last a party of 11 took up the trail and traced the bear through a dense swamp, where they expected every minute to discover him either dead or at bay. After a long tramp and much difficulty in following the blood trail, as no good dogs could be procured, the wounded animal was located in his den, but still very much alive. A fusilade was opened up, and after a number of shots had been deposited in his body he gave up the contes and succumbed. The carcass, which was brought home in triumph, weighed

was injured. Mr. Vause's hand was

terribly lacerated and he was badly ton

on the right side and scratched on the

to shreds and they presented a very for

Vause, who witnessed the fight from a

lorn appearance after the melee.

Both men's clothing was torn

Both Mr. Vause and Mr. Oliver are still under the care of the doctor, and although their wounds are serious they will no doubt be around in a few weeks. Both gentlemen showed wonderful pluck in sticking to the animal in the way they did, but they are not desirous of a repetition of the affair; in fact, Mr. Vause declares that he would not go through another such engagement for a hundred dollars.

AN OLD VILLAGE.

Genesee Valley Relics Uncovered by Flood.

Since the subsidence of the recent flood which swept through the Gene valley curious things have come to light. Almong the most interesting is what appears to be the unearthing of an old Indian village. On a farm worked by J. Sheffin, on the west side of the Genesee. river, near where the Jones bridge es the stream, about two miles and a half from this place, a large quantity of earth was washed away. Since the water got down so that an examination of the place could be made to determine the amo of damage, the prospectors were erably surprised to find a lot of old-style pottery, such as was in use in the 18th entury by the aborigines, scattered over the place left bare by the water. their examination resulted in the finding of a number of old copper coins, arrow heads, etc., and among other things a double solid silver cross four miches long and well preserved. These ancient religionare being treasured by the finders, who are still on the search. The by many is that at some time or of an Indian village was located here, as live is only a few miles below the ju rion of Canaseraga Creek with the see River, and about three miles from Squawkie Hill plots. Considerable terest is manifest, and the digging be continued.—Rochester Herald. the White Woman's

ENIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Biennial Meeting of the Supreme Lodge-A Great Crowd in Washington. ed March 25, 1892.

Biensive Preparations for Reception of Visitors-Growth of the Order.

Washington, Aug. 27.-The biennial convention of the supreme lodge of the Knights of Pythias of the world and the nnial encampment of the uniform rank opened here to-day. For months reception committee, composed of prom-ent citizens and representing all the varied professional and commercial intervaried probability has been engaged making preparations for the event and the arriving Pythians will find that little for their comfort and convenience has for men been left undone. The lodges of the niform rank will camp, in accordance with a vote of congress, on thirty acres of the Mall forming a square around the Washington monument. It is note worthy that Washington is the birth city of the order, the first lodge having been established here in February, 1864, in an old building that is still standing. leading features of the encampment, which will last for two weeks, are the sessions of the supreme lodge, the street narade and review of the uniform rank v President Cleveland and the members the cabinet, a dress parade on the White House grounds, a competitive drill between 45 infantry and cavalry divisions of the uniform rank and a reception and ball. The order of Pythian Sisters of the World and the Pythian Sisterhood, an organization of seceders from the parent organization, will also be in session for two weeks. The strength of

Pythian order at the present time is shown by a table compiled by Supreme Chancellor W. W. Blackwell, which is orrected to June 1. It is as follows: Alabama, 7400; Arizona, 555; Arkansas, 4351; British Columbia, 1269; California, 10,650; Colorado, 5097; Connecticut, 5475; Delaware, 1154; District of Columbia, 1412; Florida, 1775; Georgia, 4640; Idaho, 851; Illinois, 33,870; Indiana, 33,460; Indian Territory, 883; Iowa, 21,704; Kansas, 14,456; Kentuc-5790; Louisiana, 8486; Maine, 9741; anitoba, 333; Maritime Provinces, 971; Maryland, 7621; Massachusetts, 11,448; Michigan, 10,558; Minnesota, 5861; Misippi, 5631; Missouri, 19,625; Mon na, 1706; Nebraska, 6828; Nevada, 828; New Hampshire, 3765; New Jersey, 2,840; New Mexico, 1025; New York, 21,001; North Carolina, 2387; North Datota, 816; Ohio, 30,045; Ontario, 1555; egon, 3261; Pennsylvania, 47,543; Island, 31,721; South Carolina, South Dakoto, 2020; Tennessee, Texas, 12,261; Utah, 906; Virma, 4365; Washington, 4735; West Virginia, 5164; Wisconsin, 6835, Wyom-ng, 714. Total membership, June 1, 94, 443,615. Gain in men

may be counted by the thousands. The ork of the various committees has been well done up to the last moment, and the riving Pythians, with a committee to meet them and another to escort them to quarters already prepared, are realiztired and travel stained as they are, hat there is something in the old adage ment "a friend in need being a friend The camp on the square and the Washington monument, some y acres in extent and the use of which was granted by congress, is dotted with white tents which give to the Mall picturesque appearance. A commodius grand stand has been erected in front e executive mansion, and from which the President and his cabinet nembers of congress, ministers from foreign countries, and other special guests review the parade to-morrow. The up has been named "George Washingand the assignments have been ade according to the seniority of brigcommanders. Ine following revised

ng year, 29,671. Increase in number of

1st. The Indiana brigade and separate regiments and divisions assigne eto. Brigadier-General J. R. Ross nmanding. Commissioned June 24,

2nd. The Kansas brigade and separe regiments and divisions assigned Brigadier-General Joseph on commanding. Commissioned May

3rd. The Massachusetts brigade and separate regiments and divisions as ed thereto. Brigadier-General John H. Abbott commanding. Commissi July 24, 1889.

4th. The Iowa brigade. Brigadier-ieneral John C. Loper commanding. missioned Aug. 19, 1889. 5th. The Illinois brigade and the ate regiments and divisions assign Brigadier-General J. H. Barkcommanding. Commissioned Nov.

oth. The Wisconsin brigade. Briga r-General I. W. Halsey commanding. imissioned May 21, 1890. The Kentucky brigade. Briga-General George E. Currie commandommissioned July 9, 1890. Texas brigade. Brigadiereral K. M. VanZandt commanding. ed May 17, 1891. The Pennsylvania brigade. Brigar-General Charles E. Bentley

anding. Commissioned August 18, 10th. The Nebraska brigade and the arate regiments and divisions assignthereto. Brigadier-General H. S. hkiss commanding. Commissioned

ingust 19, 1891. 11th. The West Virginia brigade and separate regiments and divisions asthereto. Brigadier-General (sec. Mather commanding. Con Oct. 13, 1891.

12th. The Missouri brigade. Briga-

dier General S. B. Provost commanding. Commissioned Junuary 22, 1892.

13th. The New Jersey brigade and the separate regiments and divisions assign-ed thereto. Brigadier-General George H. Rhodes commanding. Commission-

14th. The Ohio brigade. Brigadie General Peter Weidner commanding sioned April 17, 1892. 15th. The Tennessee brigade and the separate regiments and divisions assigned thereto. Brigadier-General Alexander Allison commanding. Commissioned May 3, 1893.

16th. The Minnesota brigade. Briga-dier-General F. S. Macdonald command-Commissioned May 10, 1893. ing. Commissioned May 10, 10011 17th. The Michigan brigade. Brigadier-General William G. Gage commandng. Commissioned Oct. 25, 1885. 18th, The New York brigade and the separate regiments and divisions attach-

A. Lutton commanding. Commissioned May 15, 1894. 19th. The Connecticut brigade and the separate regiments and divisions attached thereto. Brigadier-General O. E. Shaler commanding Commissioned Inne

ed thereto. Brigadier-General Churles

the first regiment, Georgia; the first regi- aide on the staff of Viceroy Li Hung ment, Florida; the first regiment, South Carolina; and the divisions of North Carolina; Col. R. H. Harmon, first reg:nent, Georgia, commanding.

21st. The cavalry squadron, composed of the Banner Hussars, Illinois; the D. gation up to noon contained no mention D. Burnes Hussars, Missouri: the Phil of the Chinese victory at Ping Yang D. Burnes Hussars, Missouri; the Phil-Sheridan division, and Joe Hooker divi- At the Japanese legation the officials say sion, New York, and Arlington mounted Separate regiments and divisions are

arranged as follows: First regiment of Maryland, Col. John A. Schwartz com-manding, and the first regiment of Ala-journey overland he by mistake entered manding, and the first regiment of Alabama, Col. Erwin Schillinger, commanding, assigned to Indiana brigade; first regiment of District of Columbia, Col. Harry Coggins commanding, and Oklahoma city division of Oklahoma, Capt. A. P. Russell, assigned to the Kansus brigade; first regiment of Maine, Colonel Horace W. Stewart commanding, and first regiment of New Hampshire, Col. Charles S. Clifford commanding, assigned to the Massachusetts brigade; first regiment of Rhode Island, Colonel J. D. Carpented commanding, assigned to the Connecticut origade; first regiment of Louisiana, Colonel Harry street com manding, and the first regiment Mari-time Provinces, Colonel H. V. Cooper commanding, and Toronto division No. 2 of Ontario, Captain G. H. Mitchell commanding, assigned to the Illinois brigade; the first regiment of Virginia, Gol.

Turner commanding, assigned to the West Virginia brigade. For the next two weeks the supremendage of the world of the Knights of Pythias will be in session. There are some 500 delegates who are quartered at the different hotels. Supreme Chancer

The sessions will be held in Mar-In the state of the birthplace of the order.

It will be the last meeting of the Pythian by the well known insignia

cini's hall, on B street, north-west, near this arterior.

Sth. formerly known as Temperance that the bill will become law without President Cleveland's signature and by the operation of the time limitation at midnight to-night, Monday, Aug. The ladies are almost as much in evi dence as the knights, for the encamp-

ment has an interesting and picturesque feature in the form of the order of Pythi an Sisters of the World, and its suprem temple will have daily sessions for the week or more. Then there is a seceding order called the Pythian Sisterhoo'l, which has a little strength. Peace may be restored between the warring sisterhoods at the present conclave.

SHOOTING AT OTTAWA. Lieutenant Blanchard Distinguishes

Himself at Rideau Range.

Ottawa, Aug. 27.-The Dominion Rifle Association matches opened on the Rideau range to-day. The weather was cool but pleasant. The light was had for shooting and the scores in the first match, the nursery, were not very good. Gunner Short, of the Montreal Garrison of assignments was given out by Artillery, took first prize in this match—or-General James R. Carnahan this five shots at 500 yards, open to new-Artillery, took first prize in this matchcomers—with 23 points. Lieutenant Blanchard of British Columbia, took \$10 with 22 points, and Gunner McRobbie of British Columbia, \$6, with 22 points, Lieutenant Shillington of the Manitoba team, got \$3 with 15 points. Private Taylor, also of Manitoba, got \$3 with 15 points. In the Hamilton Powder Company match Captain Spearing of Sherbrooke took first prize, \$20, with a possible 35 points. Bombardier Martin of British Columbia, \$8, with 32 points; Lieutenant Blanchard of British Columbia, \$5, with 32 points; Private Shuna man of the Manitoba team, \$5, with 31 points; Macklin of Manitoba, \$4, with 31 points; Captain Mitchell of Winnipeg. \$4, with 31, and Sergeant McKay, Win nipeg, \$4, with 31 points.

CABLE NEWS

United States Officers Do not Attend the Southampton Banquet

Rome, Aug. 27.-Queen Margaret went to Gressoney valley in the province of Turin several days ago to visit Baron and Baroness Pecoz. On Saturday her host gave in her honor an excursion into the Alps. During the ascent he dropped dead before the Queen's eyes. She was nearly overcome and become hysterical several times before reaching home. She still suffers from extreme nervousness. The King was summoned to her early yesterday. An examina-tion of Baron Pecoz's body showed that

he died from heart disease. London, Aug. 27.-Admiral Erben de clined the invitation of Southampton's mayor to attend the municipal banquet with the officers of the United States cruiser Chicago. His reason is that the Chicago is too short of officers to spare a sufficient number for such an occasion.

Reports of Fighting at Ping Yang Not Confirmed at London.

London, Aug. 27.-Central News advices from Shanghai state that General Yula, military governor of the provin of Shing King, is reported to have been appointed high commissioner of the north and governor-general to assist Viceroy Li Yun, formerly a Chinese resident in Corea, who has been given command of the Chinese forces and will at once proceed to the sect of war. A hundred or ceed to the seat of war. A hundred or more Japanese left Shanghai for their native country, and the United States consul is using his utmost endeavors to persuade those remaining to depart. The consul fears their presence magazine complaint and endanger the safet

Arthur for Wei-Hai-Wei on the 22nd 20th. The coast brigade, composed of inst. Captain von Hanaacken, formerly Chang, has been appointed assistant to Admiral Ting, commander of the Chinese fleet. Six thousand Japanese troops landed at Chemulpo on the 22nd inst. Dispatches received by the Chinese le

the report of such a victory was circusion, New York, and Arlington mounted division, District of Columbia; Major Jefferson Young, of First New York squadron, commanding.

Separate regiments and divisions are Soo, Corea's minister to the United States, has arrived in this city, en route the drawing room of the Pullman car, which had been secured by a mining man, and, being ill, lay down on a lounge in the compartment. On the train start ing the mining man entered the drawing room, and on seeing, as he supposed, a Chinaman reclining on the lounge, told him to get out. Yee Sang Soo did not understand English and did not stir. The man then grabbed him by the neck and threw him out on the platform. Yee Sang Soo shouted lustily, and on the appearance of his secretary, who had miss ed his master, he was assisted to the

> AMERICAN TARIFF. Bill Will Become Law Without Cleve

land's Signature. Washington, D. C., Aug. 27.-The fact that Secretary Carlisle this morning sen out telegraphic instructions to collectors of customs directing them what to do in regard to putting the new tariff bill into effect is looked upon in official circles here as conclusive evidence that the president will not veto the bill. Com lectors of internal revenue at four o'clock

of the new tariff act. A HUGE MASTODON.

Secretary Carlisle this

decided that goods now in bond will be

entitled to the privileges of the free list

27th.

Skeleton Found in Marshy Ground Near Sheridan.

Dunkirk, N. Y., Aug. 27.-Workmen were digging ditches in marshy ground near Sheridan, three miles from here yesterday, when they came upon the skeleton of a mastodon eighteen inches below the surface. Only the head has yet been laid bare. The skull and all the parts uncovered are in an excellent state of preservation. The skull measures five feet six inches across. A tusk uncov ered is five feet long and six inches i diameter at the butt. One of the teet which is polished, weighs four pounds.

TROUBLE AT BLUEFIELDS. Nicaragua to be Held Responsible

all Offences to Americans. London, Aug. 26.—The British foreign office has recived confirmation of the report of the arrest at Bluefields of Hatch the consular agent of Great Britain. The British government is in communication with the government of Nicaragua in re fields. At the United States embassy to day it was stated that no information had been recived for three weeks in regard to the trouble in the Mosquito territory. James H. Roosevelt, the secretary of the United States embassy, thought that the action of the Nicaraguan gov ernment in arresting Mr. Hatch was extraordinary. General Barrios, the Nicaraguan envoy who is on his way here, in addition to endeaoring to settle the differences between Nicaragua and Great Britain and arranging for a moderation of the Managua treaty, will seek to persuade the British government to be represented by a minister instead of a consular agent.

Colon, Aug. 26.-A schooner has arriv ed here with seventy refugees from Blu fields, Mosquito territory. They say the Nicaraguans imprisoned eight American citizens and several British subjects, inluding the vice-consul. The country escribed as depopulated and business as having been stopped. The refugees also report that more Nicaraguan troops are arriving at Bluefields. This display force is announced to be caused by the to New York and represented as determination of the Nicaraguans to resist foreign interference with their af-

New York, Aug. 26.-Advices from Bluefields, evidently later than those re-ceived at Colon, say the Nicaraguan troops returning from Bluefields reached Greytown yesterday, bringing eight for-eigners as prisoners. A British warship arrived at Greytown yesterday evening. New York, Aug. 27.—The Tribune's Washington special says: Definite infor-

THE WAR IN THE EAST. mation regarding the Nicaraguan policy A Several Changes Being Made
in the Staff of the Chinese Army.

The Army of the Interest of the Staff of the Chinese Army.

The Army of the Interest of the Inte his successors in any event is regarded as having any authority or rights separate from or independent of national control. Nicaragua is considered the only treaty power in the strip and the sole source of government there. With her all relations concerning American interests in the reservation are to be had and ests in the reservation are to be had, and Clarence and his advisers are to be rated as purely local authorities, subordinate to and constantly under the restriction Nicaragua in all matters. For acts of omission or commission with respect to Americans and their interests in the strip Nicaragua is to be held responsible. Contracts and concessions now in force with Americans in the reservation are upheld, and the national governand to take such steps as may be

> om of religion which now obtains in the reservation. An effort will also be made to induce Nicaragua to give a guarantee that no excessive or unusual from the islands for the est taxes will be levied. Relative to the a branch of the Army. grants and concessions now held by Americans in the reservation, Nicaragua has een informed that this country regards them as binding on the national govern-ment. They are considerd in each instance as a contract, so to speak, voidable but not void, under the new arrange ments. They are to be kept in force. except when, by mutual agreement, they become no longer operative. Whenever, for any reason, a concession is with-drawn by Nicaragua without the consent of the party holding the grant, a suitable indemnity is to be provided. On this point the administration is said to be firm, and should cases arise where inervation vigorous demands are to be made upon Nicaragua to right the wrongs. The administration is counting on England's assent to the new pro-The administration is counting

gramme. It has come to the knowledge of the officials that Great Brtain is less he was not familiar with Mr. Clevemuch importance to the country, which in time would certainly be carried out.

CANADIAN DISPATCHES Booth's Lumber Yards at Ottawa De stroyed by Fire.

Montreal, Aug. 27.-H. M. S. Tartar left port this forenoon on her return to Quebe. She will be followed to-morhour has not been fixed, the ships awaitng orders from the admiral, who is at will proceed direct to Halifax and will quorum was covered up by the transacremain there until September 16th for tion of legislative business behind closed orders for special service on which she doors. has been detailed.

The third of September, labor day, will to-day announcing the death of Repre-be observed as a legal holiday and the sentative George B. Shaw of Wisconcourt house and all public buildings will

Ottawa, Aug. 27.—The actual loss by the Booth lumber yard fire last night is now placed at \$50,000. The insurance amounts to \$45,000 and is divided among the companies as follows: The North British Mercantile, \$10,000; Manchester, \$5000; London, \$5000; Union, \$5000; Northern, \$5000, and Lancachire. \$5000

HIS LUCKY PENNY.

A One Hundred Dollar Bill That Has Been Very Useful.

Bowlinggreen, Ky., Aug. 27.-Pierce Smith, a landscape painter of Glades-ville, Va., has been here several days tracing a hundred dollar bill. Several years ago, while doing some work in the ountry, he lost or had taken from him recovered. Then he returned to Gladesville and secured employment with a mi ing company, to which he claims he loaned \$1200. While at work he was struck n the head. His mind became affected and he was sent to the asylum. He recovered and returned to Gladesville, to find that the company denied the loan. His papers had all disappeared. Among the bills loaned was the once lost one hundred dollar bill. Smith came here to ascertain if the bank from which he got the one hundred dollar bill, which he described, could help him. A perfect record of this was discovered, the bank making affidavit to that effect. The bank at ladesville has a record of the same bill, and it is believed he will win. He walked both ways, because he said he had abundance of time.

IS NOT DEAD Mother Mandelbaum Still in the Land of the Living.

Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 27.—A Sunday newspaper published a story yesterday in which it was stated that Mother Man-delbaum, the notorious fence, who lived for a long time in New York, and who was reported to have died recently in Montreal, is not dead. It says the report of her death was a ruse to conceal her further movements. A coffin filled with stones is said to have been shipped taining her body. The police always be-lieved that Mandebaum was no other than Mme. Fulckes, a very shrewd woman who conducted a most fashionable millinery store here for a short time a number of years ago. The police suspected her and began to watch her, when she suddenly disappeared, and about the same time Mrs. Mandebaum began to be heard of in New York. Mme. Fulckes has been seen in this city within

of the Season in the Golden Gate City.

News From All Parts of the States - Affairs at the Capital.

San Francisco, Aug. 27.-The maximum temperature recorded to-day was 27 degrees, five degrees cooler than yesterday, which was the warmest day of

James F. Lose, a pioneer, who came round the Horn in 1849, died at Belvedere at midnight last night. He was 70 years of age and for the past thirty years dere at midnight last night. He was 70 The judicial committee of three appoint-years of age and for the past thirty years ed to investigate the conduct of the had been secretary of the California indges in the Banca Roma trial has re-

It is stated to-day that the rederai grand jury will report about 150 indict-

courtesy Nicaragua is to be urged to Five officers of the Salvation Army sanction by law or proclamation the free will sail for Honolulu on the steamer Five officers of the Salvation Army Australia next Thursday, to commence the work of the Army in Hawaii, they being sent out in response to a request the names of the donors will be ill from the islands for the establishment of trated by artists of national repute.

Bridgeford, N. J., Aug. 27.—A mysterious fire burned the side wheel steamer George Law to the water's edge at the wharf this morning. A deck hand and fireman were asleep on board at the Their plot was discovered and they were time and lost all their possessions and nearly lost their lives. They cannot account for the flames and say they had no fire of any kind on board the boat. The boat ran between Baltimore and Rochester last summer and between Bridgetown and Philadelphia this summer. There was some insurance on the vessel. Captain Smith Godefrey and

son, the owners, were away at the time. Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 27.—Thomas justice is done to Americans on the Weldon, a well known banker of this city, and for some time a member of the police commissioners, was found dead in bed this morning. Heart disease, aggravated by intense heat is supposed to be the cause of his death. Joseph Sesma was shot by Annie Cull,

interested in Bluefields than has been a servant girl, at two o'clock this mornsupposed. The Tribune's informant be- ing. He is still alive but cannot live as ing asked as to whether the president and Secretary Gresham favored the built is a maid at the home of Mrs. Frank ding of the canal, the speaker said that Lecouvreur, on Main street. Sesma \*ttempted to get in the window of her land's views on the subject, but the room. As his head appeared on the secretary regarded the project as one of sill she fired with the revolver three feet from his temple. Sesma had a pint of chloroform, a sponge and skeleton keys on his person and his feet padded with gunnysacks.

Madera, Cal., Aug. 27.-B. S. Kirkdate for justice of the peace, was run over and killed by a train last night. The body was horribly mangled. It was discovered this morning in a ditch three

Washington, Aug. 27.—The senate programme for to-day is the same follow-Quebec. The Canada after taking coal ed on Friday last when the absence of a A telegram was received in the house

> Albany, N. Y., Aug. 27.-Hon. A. Abbott, ex-member of the assembly and a prominent citizen of Glenfalls, accidentally shot himself this morning while

> cleaning a gun, preparatory to going hunting with his son. The charge blew off the top of his head.

> WILL SPEAK ON THE TARIFF. McKinley to Deal with the Gorman Bill On September 8th.

Somerset. Pa., Aug. 27.-Governor William McKinley of Ohio is on a two veeks' visit to his brother Abner, whose summer residence is here. The framer of the McKinley bill is hard at work on his speech, to be delivered September 8, when he is to open the campaign for Reed in his Maine district. When asked his views on the present condition of the a hundred dollar bill, which he afterward | tariff, he said: "I will not be interviewed a single line on the tariff until after my speech on September 8. I am to address the farmers at Auburn, N. Y., on September 5th, but I will not mention any political subjects in my discourse. spoke now of what I thought of the Gor man bill I would only be telling you the most important details of my speech on September 8."

EUROPEAN GOSSIP.

Report of Irish Land Commission-Sir Charles Tupper Ill.

London, Aug. 24.-The Daily Chroni cle's Vienna correspondent sends this story, which he received, without date, from Constantinople: "A man on the Russian steamer Sebastopol, plying between Constantinople and Odessa, became enamored of an American passenger, Miss Garrett, who spurned him. His of the town to-day. The government's comrades jeered at him until they drove him to desperation. He shot two of ting a reception he little expects. them fatally with a revolver, battered Miss Garrett's head so brutally that she began running ten days later than usual. will die, and committed suicide by jumping overboard." The report of the Irish land commis-

sion was issued to-day. It is a big vol ume, mostly filled with technical statis-The commission say that evidence before them showed that Irish rents, legislature are not paid yet, though nearfixed by the courts between 1881 and by two months ago the various councils 1885, are now materially excessive. The present system, they say, appears to impropriation, and the men employed are pede seriously the administration of jus- now pressing for their pay, which they tice to the tenants, owing to the expense | need badly. Just before the elections and delays. The courts generally have denied the tenant a share in the value that the amount would be available af-of his improvements, although the judg-ter July 1st, but it is not available yet. ment in the famous case of Adams v. smeath declared him entitled to the to think there is some truth in the empty

him unless the contrary be proved. It is urged that a commission be appointed at the next session of parliament to inquire further into the subject in ques-Yesterday Was the Hotjest Day tion. The above matter is covered by the majority report. The minority report admits the desirability of lessening the expense of litigation and revising rents in Ireland, but contends that in the fixing of judicial rents the act has been

nstrued in the tenants' favor. The court of appeals in general Rome confirmed the sentence anarchists who were found guilty of inciting the people to revolt last winter.
When the prisoners were taken back to prison they were followed by a crowd of

sympathizers, who chered them and hurrahed for anarchy.

Patrick Alexander Chance, anti-Parnellite M. P. for South Kilkenny, has resigned his seat.

A committee is collecting subscriptions throughout France for a silver service which will be given to the czarewitch and Princess Alix of Hess at their wedding early next year. The service will consist of one hundred pieces, every one engraved with the arms of twelve hundred French towns. The album containing the names of the donors will be illus-

Hadi Amaati, ex-Grand Vizier, Mo nammed Soreier, ex-minister of war, and the next day. There is much surprise because the plotters were not executed. The sultan's mother, who is said to be the virtual sovereign, is supposed to have interceded for them.

Sir Charles Tupper is still confined to his bed at Chester, but the reports re-ceived as to his condition are all favorable. At nine o'clock to-day it was an-nounced that he was improving rapidly, and the indications were that the commissioner will be able to resume his journey in a couple of days.

TO SEARCH FOR TREASURE.

Company Organized to Explore a Mexican Cave

Lampazos, Mexico, Ang 27.-A comppany has been organizad here and permission has been obtained from the state government to explore the cave recently sure. According to documentary evidence, brought to light a few months ago, about \$500,000 in gold is secreted in the cave, having been placed there by a banlit chief nearly a century ago. Seven men have already lost their lives from fire damp within the past few months while attempting to search the cave for treasure. The new company will go prepared to overcome all such obstacles.

Condensed Disparches. The California Democrats have nominated James H. Budd, of Stockton, for governor and William J. Jeter, of Santa

The jury empanelled to consider Franklin mine disaster has decided that the fire was wilfully, knowingly and maliciously started by some unknown par-

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 26.-In a swimming match yesterday Dan E. Thompson defeated Daniel Green in a five hundred

yards race for the world's championship. The time was a fraction under seven minutes breaking the world's record of seven minutes and one second. NEW WESTMINSTER.

Westminster, Aug. 24.-Although another run of salmon has entered the river and fishermen are making good hauls, many of the canneries will not pack any more this season, as they believe the government is treating them unjustly in the matter of offal disposal, and until the regulations are amended they do not proose to run their canneries. Another large batch of "offal" cases

came up this morning in the district.

The most important of these were adjourned until the 29th. Twelve of the charges were disposed of at the rate of \$5 each and costs. It is understood that D. J. Munn & Co. will appeal their cases to the higher courts. L. W. Paisley was arraigned before two justices of the peace yesterday on a charge of neglect of duty as returning officer in the late provincial election at Chilliwack in not holding a court of revision on the date advertised and also for admitting as voters fifteen persons whose applications were irregular. E. Kitchen is prosecutor. The defendant asked an adjournment for a week to

prepare his case, and the request was New Westminster, B. C., Aug. 27.-The insult put upon the board of trade and G. E. Corbould, M. P., by the fisheries department at Ottawa in ignoring the repeated telegrams re the extension of the salmon fishing season is the talk action will result in Mr. Laurier's getseason has been a poor one and the fish Another week's fishing meant a great deal to the four thousand fishermen on

the Fraser river.
Something will be heard from the district municipalities soon. Appropriations of \$1000 voted at the last session of the each municipality was officially notified The people in the country are beginning

the occupant be no longer compelled to pay rent on his improvements. All of these ought to be regarded as made by The canneries are all busy paying off.