City Under Martial Law

Jacksonville Patrolled By Troops—Negroes Show No Disposition to Give Trouble.

Many People Have Left for Other Towns in Search of Shelter.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 4.—Jacksonville's great fire, which began yesterday has burned itself out. One hundred and forty-eight blocks of a beautiful city have been laid waste. The loss will not be known, even approximately, for a week, but it is believed it will amount to $10,000,000.

There are many rumors afloat of loss of life, but, as every undertaker in the city was burned out, it is impossible to obtain an official report. One story, persistently reiterated, is to the effect that a party of men and women driven to the docks by the fire, were compelled to jump into the water, and that several of them were drowned. Mrs. Hogan, a negro woman, was burned in her house and her charred remains were buried this afternoon.

The burned district is thirteen blocks wide and two miles long and extends from the St. John's river, where it burned ten docks, to the water's edge, to Catherine street, East Orange, on the north, and Davies street to the west. This immense area was swept as clear as a floor.

The city is under martial law, and all of the available state militia is on duty in the streets of Jacksonville. Some order is being brought out of the confusion. Jacksonville is facing the emergency calmly and has organized for relief.

Ten thousand people are homeless and many of them left on trains for Augustine and other towns, while numerous river craft took many to places on the St. John's river. The prompt action of Secretary of War Root in tendering the use of the barracks at Fort Barrancas, near St. Augustine, was received with gratitude on every side

A committee was appointed at a meeting of citizens this afternoon to telegraph the governors of various states to send all the tents they can spare to Jacksonville. It will be weeks before anything like permanent shelter can be provided for the homeless thousands and Jacksonville for some time to come will be a city of tents.

To-night the sidewalks are thronged with homeless people. The wharves are crowded with sleepers and every available craft in the harbor has been made into a temporary home.

Jacksonville is in total darkness to-night save for the red reflection that burns in the sky in the western portion of the city, marking the vast fields of glowing embers that now and then are fanned into flames.

Additional state troops are held in the city to relieve the soldiers who had been on duty for more than 24 hours. Crowds are leaving the city on outgoing trains, yet the multitude of homeless people on the streets does not appear decreased. The negroes, though hungry and terror-stricken, have so far shown no disposition to give trouble, and the entire city is reported quiet.

THE SUGAR TAX.

Chancellor of the Exchequer Says It Will Not Be Withdrawn.

London, May 3.—Replying to a deputation from the workmen and Sugar Tax Association to-day, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, declined to consider the withdrawal of the sugar tax. He said it was the most important part of the present budget, and he did not believe that workingmen, who had approved of the war in South Africa, objected to paying something towards the cost.

CORNER IN CORN.

Chicago, May 3.—A panic, the first real one since Phillips cornered the market, occurred among shorts in May corn on the board of trade to-day. Price fluctuations were the most violent in years. Having seen their losses grow heavier and heavier with each succeeding day for some time, traders who had guaranteed to deliver May corn to Phillips made frantic efforts to get it. The price went from 55 to 58 cents, 4½ cents higher than yesterday's close, in a few minutes. For an hour shorts bid 58 or close to it. Then Phillips let out 600,000 bushels at prices ranging between 56 and 58. It was thought for a moment that he was about to unload and the market broke to 53 cents without a check. The drop disposed of a number of "tailers." Under 57 cents, however, Phillips sold nothing. In consequence prices reacted sharply when traders realized that the end of the corner was by no means at hand.

THE POPE'S WILL.

London, May 4.—The Pope, according to a dispatch of the Times from Rome, is understood to have made a will designating his successor. The news first took shape in a diplomatic note from the Bavarian minister to his government. Its theory is simply the papal power being absolute involves the right of naming a successor.

Dealing with the rumors of Cardinal Rampolla's retirement from the office of secretary of state, the correspondent says he is aiming for the tiara and that if the Pontiff died to-day the struggle would be between Cardinals Rampolla and Vannutelli.

IT CURES ALL CREEDS.—Here are a few names of clergymen of different creeds who are firm believers in Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder to "live up to the preaching" in all it claims. Bishop Sweatman, Rev. Dr. Langtry (Episcopalian); Rev. Dr. Withrow and Rev. Dr. Chambers (Methodist); and Dr. Newman, all of Toronto, Canada. Copies of their personal letters for the asking. 50 cts. Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.—105.

DOUBLE MURDER.

Hired Man Killed His Employer's Wife and Was Afterwards Shot.

Little Falls, N. Y., May 4.—A double murder occurred in the town of Warren, in the southern part of Herkimer county, near Richfield Springs, to-night. The victims were Benjamin Hoyt and Mrs. John C. Wallace. Hoyt murdered Mrs. Wallace and was afterwards shot by Mr. Wallace. The Wallaces are wealthy.

Hoyt was employed by them as a hired man. A year ago Mrs. Wallace, who was about 55 years of age, eloped with Hoyt, who was only 35 years of age. They returned to Wallace's home last fall, and the wife was taken back by her husband, and Hoyt was again given employment on the farm.

Recently Hoyt had been importuning Mrs. Wallace to again elope with him, but she refused. A bitter quarrel started to-night, and Hoyt was ordered to leave the house by Wallace and his wife. He refused to go, and Wallace stepped out to another room, presumably to get a gun. As soon as he left the room Hoyt shot Mrs. Wallace, the ball piercing her heart and killing her instantly. Mr. Wallace then rushed into the room. As he did so, Hoyt shot at him, but the bullet went wide. Wallace then shot Hoyt, killing him instantly.

Wallace is now under arrest.

RESOURCES OF MEXICO.

Millions of Money to Develop Silver, Iron and Coal Mines and the Cattle Industry.

Chicago, May 3.—The Tribune says: "Chicago capitalists and millions of Chicago money are to develop the resources of Mexico until the southern republic becomes one of the important factors in the world's trade.

"Silver mines supplying two-thirds of the silver of the world, coal fields, hundreds of miles in extent, great reaches of iron and other ore lands, thousands of acres of cotton seed and the great grazing lands dotted with the cattle, are to be made the objects of the impulse of Chicago money. Bonded warehouses, heretofore unknown in the republic, are to be located at the City of Mexico and Vera Cruz. The concession, under which they will be created, grants the rights for forty years, and from $4,000,000 to $5,000,000 of Chicago capital will be placed in this enterprise."

LOST ON THE PLAINS.

Five-Year-Old Girl's Terrible Death—Found in a Badger Hole.

Prosser, Wash., May 4.—With her hands and mouth stained from the grass and flowers she had eaten in her desperate hunger and with her features drawn in the dying agony of thirst, the body of the five-year-old daughter of W. B. Mathews, formerly county commissioner, who lost her way on the dreary wastes of Horse Heaven plains nearly a week ago, was found by searching party. The child in her agony had crawled into a badger hole on the prairie and died.

From the appearance of the body the child had been dead about 36 hours, and for five days and nights she had been without food and water. Barefooted when she left home, the little girl in her wanderings had bruised and cut her feet. Beside her in the badger hole lay a bunch of flowers and grass which she had been eating.

CIVIL GOVERNMENT

Established in Manila—Elections Have Not Yet Been Held.

Manila, May 3.—Civil government in Manila was established to-day, as a preliminary to the inauguration of a general civil government. The United States Philippine commission is unwilling at present to permit the experiment of elections here, although they have been authorized in all other municipalities. Judge Task says a municipal government for Manila will shortly be created.

The board of health has completed the census of Manila. The population numbers 244,732.

The trial of Lieut. Beyer, charged with commissary irregularities, has been completed. The verdict has not been announced. The trial of Capt. Barrows, charged with commissary irregularitie, begins Monday.

PLEADED NOT GUILTY.

New York, May 3.—Albert T. Patrick, David L. Short and Morris Meyers were arraigned before Recorder Goff to-day to plead to indictments for forgery, and Patrick to an indictment for the murder of the late Texas millionaire, William Marsh Rice. The defendants pleaded not guilty, pending the argument of demurrers against the indictments. The demurrers will be argued next week.

Robt. M. Moore, counsel for the defendants, then made a motion to dismiss the forgery indictments. The indictments stated that the crime was committed in September, 1901, a date which has not yet arrived, and this made the papers faulty.

Assistant District Attorney Carvan said that the grand jury had remedied that defect yesterday by filing superseding indictments in all four instances.

The recorder thereupon refused to dismiss the indictments.

EXTENSION MINERS' MEETING.

Ladysmith, May 4.—A mass meeting of Extension miners held here to-day was attended by upwards of seven hundred men. The question of a new agreement with the Wellington Colliery Company was fully discussed, and a committee was appointed to draft a new proposal for submission to Hon. James Dunsmuir, president of the company. Mr. Dunsmuir was unable to be present to-day owing to pressure of legislative duties. The mines at Extension closed for the day, and the men were brought down by a free train.

DELAREY'S FORCE

Johannesburg, May 3.—Gen. Delarey, the Boer commander, has now four or five thousand men near Hartbeestefontein.

Gen. Babington, in command of the British forces in the district, is without a sufficient force to attack, and is observing the Boers, while Generals Methuen and Rawlinson are converging hither. A battle appears imminent.

Arrival at Melbourne

The Duke and Duchess of Cornwall Landed From Steamer Ophir To-Day.

Royal Party Received by Lord Hopetoun and State and Federal Ministers.

Melbourne, May 6.—The Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York landed from the steamer Ophir at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The Duke and Duchess were received at the pier head by Lord Hopetoun, governor-general, and state and federal ministers. The party passed down the quarter of a mile of carpeted pier and entered carriages and proceeded a distance of several miles through brilliantly decorated streets, bordered with almost continuous stands filled to their utmost capacity. The entire route was lined with demonstrative crowds amid elaborate decorations.

Opposite the town hall the procession passed beneath the Queen's arch, canopied with royal colors and sheltering a golden statue of Queen Victoria. Twelve thousand troops were in line. There were 80,000 visitors in Melbourne. The drive terminated at Government House.

AGAINST A STRIKE.

Derbyshire Miners Opposed to Proposal to Close the Pits.

London, May 4.—There are further indications that the coal owners and merchants are wavering in regard to the advisability of urging the miners to close the pits. The divisions among the men, too, are becoming more marked. The Derbyshire Miners' Association, representing 30,000 persons, to-day unanimously passed a resolution against the export tax coal, but, by a small majority, decided not to stop work.

On the other hand, the Northumberland delegates, at a meeting at Newcastle, unanimously decided to support the strike. The Durham miners agreed to abide by the decision of the National conference.

The Lancashire and Cheshire miners took up a similar attitude, while those of Yorkshire voted against the strike, the feeling being expressed that if the men agreed to shut down the pits the owners should continue paying their wages.

CASE ADJOURNED.

Charge Against Patrick, Short and Meyers Will Be Heard To-Morrow.

New York, May 2.—Albert T. Patrick, David H. Short and Morris Meyers under indictment for forgery of the will of the late millionaire Wm. M. Rice were arraigned to-day before Recorder Goffff. Patrick was arraigned on the charge of murder in the first degree for causing the death of Rice.

Robt. M. Moore, for the defendants, said he desired to enter a demurrer to the indictment for murder, and asked for time to prepare it.

Recorder Goff adjourned the proceedings until to-day. No plea was entered.

STUDENTS AT EXPOSITION.

Large Number Will Work at Buffalo Fair During the Summer.

New York, May 2.—Cornell men in large numbers will be seen at the Pan-American exposition this summer, says a Tribune special from Ithaica. They will push wheeled chairs for tired sightseers, act as exposition policemen or become waiters for the summer, or run soda fountains or clerk in stands of various sorts, or assist exhibitors.

A representative of the exposition authorities has signed contracts with more than 200 students.

PENSIONS FOR EMPLOYEES.

Illinois Central Railway Company Start Scheme With Gift of $125,000.

Chicago, Ills., May 4.—President Stuyvesant Fish, of the Illinois Central Railway Company, last night, after a conference with W. J. Hanrahan, vice-president and general manager,, issued a circular announcing a pension plan for the forty thousand employees of the company. The plan is more liberal than has been adopted by any other road. The company starts with a gift of $125,000, and in addition will each year make an appropriation of an amount not to exceed $100,000.

CORNER ON WHISKEY.

A Famine Threatened and the Prices Have Already Been Advanced.

New York, May 3.—The Herald says: "There is a pending whiskey famine, wholesale liquor dealers say. One large distillery and warehouse company in this city has practically cornered the market. From two and a half to 30 cents has already been added to the former price of whiskey by the gallon. The wholesalers declare that the prices will go higher, because the combined whiskey interests have control of all brands."

FOR THE ORPHANS.

Topeka, Kas., May 4.—Mrs. Allan Sells Greenspan, by her will, has given $200,000 to the Topeka Orphans' home. She disinherited her adopted son, Willie Sells, because the latter objected to her marriage to Simon Greenspan, from whom she was divorced. Sixty-five thousand dollars, however, goes to Willie Sells, son of Allan Sells.

DROPSY AND HEART DISEASE.—"For ten years I suffered greatly from Heart Disease. Fluttering of the Heart and Smothering Spells made my life a torment. Dropsy set in. My physician told me to prepare for the worst. I tried Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. One dose gave great relief, one bottle cured me completely."—Mrs. James Adams, Syracuse, N. Y. Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.—107.

IN FIRE FIEND'S GRIP.

Several Business Blocks in Jacksonville Have Been Destroyed and Flames Are Spreading.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 3.—Several blocks of buildings in the business portion of the city have been destroyed by a fire which has been raging for two hours. The flames have spread to the residence portion. Over one hundred horses are believed to have been burned. Citizens are tearing down buildings wherever possible to prevent the spread of the flames. All neighboring cities have been wired to send help. A gale is blowing. The fire already covers an area of nearly eleven blocks.

Still Spreading.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 3.—3.15 p. m.—The fire is rapidly eating its way towards the heart of the down town business district. The Windsor hotel, one of the largest in the city, is now in imminent danger. Among the manufacturing plants destroyed is that of the Cleveland Fibre Co. No loss of life has been reported.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Bitten By Rattlesnake—County Jail Destroyed—Farmer Killed By Train.

Windsor, Ont., May 3.—Mrs. L. Grondin, who lived on Story Island, near Amherstburg, was bitten by a large rattlesnake last Tuesday, and has since died. The snake, which was killed, was one of the largest seen in the neighborhood for many years, and possessed nine rattles.

Sydney, May 3.—A row between Indians and Italians yesterday resulted in Newell Benjamin, leader of the Indians, being stabbed with a dagger in the back, and he is now in a precarious condition. Several others were also slightly injured.

Woodstock, N. B., May 3.—Fire destroyed the county jail at Upper Woodstock yesterday. Jailer Jones lost a large sum of money, mortgages, bonds and all his furniture. The prisoners were removed from the cells when the fire first broke out.

Delhi, Ont., May 3.—Ed. Sitzer, farmer, 40 years old, was struck and killed by the Wabash express while walking on the track here yesterday.

Owen Sound, Ont., May 3.—The first boat of the C. P. R. lake fleet, the steamer Athabasca, left here for Port Arthur yesterday.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., May 3.—Archibald McLeod was arrested at Rose Valley this morning and brought here on a charge of the murder of Mrs. McLeod, his mother, a few days ago.

BEEF HOUSE ON FIRE.

Narrow Escape of Large Number of Firemen Who Were Fighting the Flames.

Chicago, May 3.—Armour & Company's beef house, one of the largest buildings at the stock yards, caught fire at 6.30 o'clock to-day and was damaged by flames and water to the value of $100,000. On the fourth floor were 16,000 head of cattle, which were rescued with great difficulty. It is a five-story brick building, and extends nearly a block.

The building contained 64,000 carcases in dressed beef. A general alarm was sent in, and after an hour and a half of struggle the firemen succeeded in conquering the flames. One hundred men, under the direction of Chief Sweeny, were at work on the third and fourth floors when a large ammonia pipe burst and the stifling odor which arose drove the men from their posts to open air, half blinded by the gas, and escaped with difficulty.

MINERS' MEETING.

The Men Are By No Means Unanimous on Strike Question.

London, May 3.—There were scores of meetings to-day in the coal districts, and there was evidence of the intense interest in the tax question felt both by miners and owners. But the results of the conferences show the miners are by no means so unanimous as expected in supporting a general strike.

Chairman Briggs, of the joint conciliation board of the Workshire miners, has issued a manifestor to the men to the effect that although he is strongly opposed to the impost, he considers it most unwise to take such a grave step as stopping the collieries. Several miners' counsels have issued similar advice to the men.

KITCHENER'S DISPATCH.

Reports Surrender of Thirteen Boers and Capture of Small Arm Ammunition, Wagons and Horses.

London, May 4.—The war office has received the following report from Lord Kitchener, under the date of May 3rd: "Ten Boers have been killed, 3 wounded, 13 have surrendered and 280,000 rounds of small arm ammunition, 100 wagons and 2,070 horses have been captured since last report."

COAST-KOOTENAY ROAD.

G. R. Maxwell Says Dominion Government Will Not Give a Subsidy to C. P. R.

Ottawa, May 6.—G. R. Maxwell says that in any event, no matter what the province does, the Dominion will never give a subsidy to the building of the Coast-Kootenay line by the C. P. R. He expressed the opinion that Premier Dunsmuir had spoiled himself at Ottawa.

MORGAN'S PLANS.

It Is Alleged He Will Try and Secure Control of European Canals.

New York, May 4.—A London dispatch to the World says that the London Daily Express asserts that control of the European canals is to be a part of J. Pierpont Morgan's plans, so as to secure the delivery of steel into the heart of Europe at the smallest possible expense.

TO MEMORY OF INGERSOLL.

Chicago, May 3.—The building in Chicago of a $100,000 temple to the memory of Robt. G. Ingersoll, in which his teachings shall be perpetuated, is the purpose of the Ingersoll Memorial Association, incorporated at Springfield today.

Debris Still Burning

Firemen Continue to Pour Water in Ruined Buildings at Jacksonville.

It is Believed Many Persons Lost Their Lives During the Fire.

Jacksonville, May 6.—Two bodies, both negroes, were found floating in the St. James river to-day. The charred appearance of the corpses indicates that they were victims of Friday's fire. It is generally believed other bodies shortly will come to the surface. It is impossible to ascertain who is missing, however, as thousands have left the city.

S. A. McCottery, who was employed at the Gardner shipyards, almost lost his life in trying to save the people who rushed down Market street to the river when the flames were at their fiercest. He says he succeeded in getting twenty persons across the river, but as many more were either burned to death or drowned at the pier. The Alcazar at St. Augustine, although closed several weeks ago, has re-opened to care for the refugees. Other resort hotels will probably all open to-morrow, as the crowds leaving the city increased to-day.

Thousands of people worked on Saturday and last night. The firemen have not been relieved. The debris is still burning and streams of water are being poured into the flames and embers all the time, night and day.

On every telegraph and telephone pole that was not destroyed linemen were at work. The trolley company has a large force of men hanging their wires and clearing the tracks, where the street was sufficiently cool, so as to establish car service as soon as possible. It will be several days before a car can pass in to East Bay street.

Ten military companies are still on duty to prevent vandalism. Martial law probably will be enforced at least another week.

The weather is much cooler to-day and the work of rehabilitation is being vigorously prosecuted.

The body of Harry Bonnettheau, a real estate owner, was recovered to-day from the St. John's river. Mr. Bonnettheaute widow and son are supposed to be in New York city.

PRESIDENT HILL'S DENIAL.

Says Story of Consolidation of Great Railway System is Ridiculous.

New York, May 6.—James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern railway, denies the report that a plan was formed three years ago by J. P. Morgan, the Goulds, the Vanderbilts and himself for the consolidation of the great railway systems of the country, and that it is about to be carried out. Mr. Hill, who is at an hotel here, said: "The story is ridiculous and entirely unworthy of any serious consideration from anyone."

COAL DEAL.

Agents of J. P. Morgan Are Negotiating Another Big Transfer.

Cleveland, Ohio, May 6.—A special to the Plaindealer from Columbus says one of the largest deals in the history of the coal financial world is now on and that all indications are that it will be brought to a close before the end of another week. The deal includes all the leading mines in the Hocking Valley coal fields and a number in the Sunday Creek district. The transfer has been engineered by agents of J. P. Morgan.

INVITED TO THE STATES.

Copenhagen, May 4.—Mr. Max Stahl, of Chicago, president of the Association of American Brewers, has presented Dr. Christian Hansen, of the Carlsberg laboratory, with a congratulatory address from the American Brewers and an invitation to be the guest of the association in the United States this autumn. Many Americans have been students at the noted physiologist's laboratory.

Consumption

Is a disease of civilization. When the Indian was a stranger to the white man he had no name in his vocabulary for this dreaded malady.

Without arguing as to the curability of consumption, it may be stated positively that Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures weak lungs, hemorrhages, bronchitis, deep-seated and stubborn cough, and other diseases which if neglected or unskillfully treated find a fatal termination in consumption. There is no alcohol in the "Discovery," and it is entirely free from opium, cocaine, and all other narcotics.

Persons suffering from chronic disease are invited to consult Dr. Pierce, by letter, *free*. All correspondence is conducted under the seal of sacred secrecy. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

In a little over thirty years, Dr. Pierce, assisted by his medical staff of nearly a score of physicians, has treated and cured thousands of men and women who had been given up as incurable by local physicians.

"Your medicine is the best I have ever taken," writes Mrs. Jennie Dingman, of Rapid City, Kalkaska Co., Mich. "Last spring I had a bad cough; got so bad I had to be in bed all the time. My husband thought I had consumption. He wanted me to get a doctor, but thought we would try Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and before I had taken one bottle the cough stopped and I have since had no sign of its returning."

Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation.

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A salve draws and heals while an ointment soothes and heals.

Below will be found, in two columns, the different classes of diseases or complaints for which they are recommended, so that the casual observer may see at a glance which kind to purchase in case he should require either:

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This Ointment is indicated for curing all Itching Skin Diseases such as Scald Head, Eczema or Salt Rheum, Tetter, Erysipelas, Shingles, Ringworm, Piles, Itching Piles, Internal and Bleeding Piles, Granulated Eye-Lids, and all kin of Itching Skin Diseases.

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In most cases eruptions of the skin are evidences of blood impurity and while it is necessary to apply Milburn's Burdock Ointment or Milburn's Burdock Salve to relieve the local irritation, it is also of prime importance that the source of the disease in the blood should be reached and the poison completely eliminated from the system.

For this purpose there is no remedy equal to BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS, which has cured the very worst cases of impure blood completely and permanently after all other means failed.

A sample of ointment or salve will be sent free on receipt of 2c. stamp for postage. Address, **The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.**

MASSING OF BOERS.

London Standard Expects to Hear of Another Surrender of Large Number of Burghers.

New York, May 6.—The report that a force of Boers are concentrating under Delarey at Hartebeesfontein is regarded with a feeling of satisfaction in London, according to the Tribune's correspondent. The Standard expects, as a result, to hear of another surrender on a scale of Prinsloo's. The British force should far outnumber the Boers, and as the latter must by this time have lost all their guns, Delarey cannot have any artillery with him. This fact alone should place him at a disadvantage.

American Prisoners.

London, May 6.—Replying to a question in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Broderick, the war secretary, said that among the prisoners captured in South Africa were twenty-six Americans, besides thirteen claiming to be burghers. There was no intention of releasing any of the prisoners until the war should be over.

MANY CASES OF SMALLPOX.

Quarantine Station at New York is Taxed to the Utmost.

(Associated Press.)

New York, May 6.—The unusually large immigration from Italy this spring is responsible for a number of smallpox cases on board incoming steamers. The resources of the quarantine station at that port are being taxed to the utmost.

There were 600 passengers on Hoffman island last night. This morning the quarantine barge is transferring 300 more from the steamer Weera, which arrived yesterday from Naples with three smallpox patients. The Vincenzo Florio, which arrived this morning from Naples with 88 steerage passengers, also brought a case of smallpox, and the probability is that a greater part of the passengers will be detained. Almost every steamer which arrived this morning from Naples brought smallpox to this port, and it is said that forty thousand Italian immigrants are booked to sail for New York from Italy in the month of May.

SUPPOSED MURDER.

Man's Body Found in Chicago and Police Think He Was Killed During Strike.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, May 6.—The Tribune says: "The body of a man found in the slip at Morgan street and the south branch is believed by the police to show a murder committed during the strike last winter. The man is thought to have been Bert Shaw, formerly of Greene, N. Y., and a member of local union No. 7 of the Woodworkers. The police think Shaw was concerned in the strike at Gauger's planing mill, and that he was murdered and thrown into the river. There was signs of violence on the body. A union card, and a letter of recommendation from a manufacturing company of Greene, N. Y., were found in the clothing. The police think the man was killed about the time of the murder of non-union man Farrass in November, 1900. They believe that the man met death at the hands of the same gang."

M'KINLEY'S TOUR.

London, May 6.—Commenting editorially upon the exceptional circumstances of President McKinley's tour and its party objects, the Times refers to his "Use of language at New Orleans which, in a liberal sense, might be adopted with acclamation by the Cobden club," and adds: "If by seven weeks of remitting toil he can obtain any acceptance for those principles among the American people, he will be able to look back upon them as the best spent weeks of his political life."

CANALS OPEN TO-MORROW.

Albany, N. Y., May 6.—The officials of the state department of public works announce that the canals are ready for the opening of navigation to-morrow. The repair work has been completed sufficiently on all levels to permit the filling with water. By nightfall every level will be filled. The work of locking boats going westward has been already commenced.

SULTAN'S NEW ORDER.

Constantinople, May 6.—An official circular has been issued notifying the members of the diplomatic corps that in future only distinguished visitors, accompanied by a diplomatist, will be admitted to the Selamlik.

BOY MISSING.

He Is Supposed to Have Been Drowned While Playing on Barges.

New York, May 6.—Henry Kreig, years old, of West 38th street, and The O'Neill, 6 years old, a playmate, left home to go to Sunday school. When the O'Neill boy returned alone the Kreig's parents asked for an explanation. The O'Neill boy said that the lad gone to the river at the foot of West 40th street, and were playing on the barges, when suddenly he heard a splash and when he looked around Kreig was nowhere to be seen. The boy's father is confident that the boy was drowned.

The father says that he has had very little work during the past winter, times were so hard that he was not able to buy his son suitable clothes, and he was very ragged. On several Sundays the boy stayed away from Sunday school because, he said, the other little boys made remarks about his rags, calling him "Tatters." This time when he was told he would have to go he left the house in obedience to his father's command ostensibly to go to Sunday school, but it seems that he could not face the comments of his companions.

AFTER TWO MONTHS.

Shot His Wife and Afterwards Committed Suicide—They Frequently Quarrelled.

(Associated Press.)

Bellfont, Pa., May 6.—Jessota King, of Millheim, to-day shot and fatally wounded his bride of two months, and when an officer attempted to arrest him King shot himself through the heart and died almost instantly.

The couple quarrelled considerably during their brief married life. Mrs. King spent part of the time during the past fortnight at her parents' home. Yesterday she returned to her husband and another quarrel ensued, when the young wife declared she would leave him to-day for good. This morning Mrs. King made ready to depart, and the husband, unable to persuade her to remain, secured his revolver and shot his wife in the body. King then went to his father's house, told what he had done and angrily declared he would return and finish the job. In the meantime Mrs. King managed to make her way to Squire Musser's office at Millheim, and a constable was sent to arrest King. He met the angry husband on his way to Millheim, and when King saw the officer he immediately shot himself, dying in about ten minutes.

Mrs. King is still alive, but the doctors say she cannot recover. Jealousy was the cause of the crime.

THE STRIKE AT SCRANTON.

(Associated Press.)

New York, May 6.—A. L. Truesdale, president of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railway, when asked yesterday about the strike of the company's employees at Scranton, said:

"I understand that all the men employed in the car repairing, blacksmith and paint shops, to the number of 1,000, have struck because we suspended an employee. Their action was very unjust because the man Hicks grossly disobeyed the company's rules in quitting work and leaving the grounds without a permit. I am not informed whether the men will go back to work or not. If they do not their places will be quickly supplied. Their going out will make serious hardships for us for several weeks to come, because our rolling stock is just now in first class condition."

IRON WORKS COMBINE.

(Associated Press.)

New York, May 6.—The official statement promised in connection with the federation of the Union Iron Works, of San Francisco; the Bath Iron Works, of Bath, Maine; the Newport News Shipbuildings & Dry Dock Company, of Newport News, and Lewis Nixon, of Elizabethport, was not made to-day. At the office of H. W. Poor & Co., who are financing the combination in connection with a group of bankers and brokers, it was said that the statement would be given out on Wednesday.

BANK STATEMENTS.

New York, May 4.—The weekly bank statements are as follows: Loans decreased $600,500, deposits increased $321,100, circulation decreased $18,200, legal tenders decreased $344,800, specie decreased $4,855,100; surplus, $10,080,100; decrease, $5,779,675.

NEW CANAL TREATY.

(Associated Press.)

London, May 6.—The Associated Press has been officially notified that Lord Pauncefote has received from Secretary Hay the draft of a new Nicaraguan canal treaty. It is understood that it advises neutrality.

Sensational Charges

The Chinese Allege Terrible Mortality Since Arrival of the Allies.

Million Natives Reported to Have Been Killed or Starved to Death.

New York, May 6.—The latest mail from China, says a Washington special to the Tribune, has brought to the state department new proofs of the terrible, perhaps irretrievable conditions which exist under foreign military rule in North China, involving a situation hitherto realized, even at Washington, and utterly unappreciated in the United States generally. The character of the information which has now come to the administration's possession is summarized in the foreign extracts from a communication written by one of the most trusted officials in the service and mailed from Pekin a month ago.

The question of the raising the indemnity, though one of the most serious for the Chinese government, is not the amount. All the people who are able to know, declare that the Chinese peasant can stand no greater burden of taxation than in the past, so the question resolves itself largely to reducing the expense of collection, which in China increases lucrative mining and industrial concessions to foreigners, but that means entering their independence and laying up endless trouble for the Chinese. They are quick to recognize the way. The whole horror of the murder and pillage done between Tien Tsin and Pekin cannot be understood in the United States and Europe, the sum of it is simply that as compared to the number of Christians who have suffered at the hands of Chinese, that rightly or wrongly, the Chinese are likely to be held the injured party. Lancers impaling little children by the wayside in the streets of Pekin are some at least of the well authenticated horrors, and to some foreigners a dead Chinese Christian is just as satisfactory an evidence of quarter as a dead Boxer. They neither know nor care for such trifling distinctions.. They seems, even if they could agree, could not set up an administrative machinery of their own for the Empire. They must restore the power to some native party, the quicker they do it the better for China. The Chinese estimate that a million of their people have lost their lives by violent deaths or starvation about Pekin and Tien Tsin since the allies came. Well informed foreigners, long resident here, do not regard the estimate as exaggerated.

The North China News, of March 8th, endeavoring to tell why such a nation, as the one alleged can exist says: "Simply because Chinese civil authority has been suppressed and driven away, and nothing substituted for it, the country between the sea and Pekin has been devastated, and the people have been killed indiscriminately or driven out of their homes to become bandits. Who would have thought that one of the first acts of the foreign administration, after Pekin was relieved, would have been to strengthen the Chinese civil authorities to make it responsible for the preservation of order.

But what magistrate can be expected to remain at his post and exert himself to put down opposition to foreigners when at any moment a foreign lieutenant with a handful of troops, may come to him and demand a sum of money on pain of having the village burned down in case of refusal."

Waldersee's Return.

Berlin, May 6.—"In view of favorable developments here," says the Pekin correspondent of the Lokal Anzeiger, "it is possible that Count von Waldersee will return home about the middle of June."

PRESENTED ADDRESSES.

Congratulations, Including Catholics, Jews and Presbyterians, Waited on King Edward To-day.

London, May 3.—The last batch of addresses of condolence at the death of Queen Victoria and congratulation on the accession to the throne was presented to King Edward this afternoon.

James palace with the customary ceremonial. To-day's deputations included Catholics, Jews and Presbyterians. The King's replies were practically identical. He promised to promote unfettered religious liberty, tolerance, peace and goodwill among all classes and religious creeds.

A SHORTAGE.

Friends of City Treasurer of Colorado Springs Say Amount Will Be Paid.

Colorado Springs, Colo., May 4.—The finance committee to-day of the city council, which has been making an examination of the books of the city treasurer, Moses T. Hale, has reported a shortage approaching $30,000. It is said Mr. Hale admits a shortage of over $20,000. Mr. Hale has been treasurer eight years, and the alleged shortage covers a period of about two years' time. Friends have given assurances that the whole amount will be paid within a day or two, and there has been no arrest.

WILL REMAIN EMPTY.

Royalty Will Be Absent From Ascot This Year.

New York, May 6.—Not only will there be no royal drawing-rooms or levees this year in London, says the Tribune's London correspondent, but it is rumored that the Royal Stand at Ascot is to remain empty and be draped in mourning.

BEHIND WITH BUSINESS.

New York, May 2.—A petition to the governors of the New York stock exchange was circulated amongst members of the board to-day to close the exchange Saturday in order to enable members of the board to catch up with their business, owing to the great press of the market very active market.