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NOTHER TEACHER ALMOST SACRIFICED. To the Editor:-Does it not seem

ange that our school trustees should miss a teacher without first giving him chance to defend himself? Is it not singular that the teacher selected this honor is one who is well known r his outspoken condemnation of the cors of the education department? his teacher was granted by the board examiners a certificate of a lower ade than that to which he was enled. Dr. Pope said in evidence: uch a remark is calculated to under ne the influence of the educational au-

prities of the province." Let us hope that the most searching estigation may be held and if it is and that the teacher is really insufficilet him take the consequence and the board of examiners suffer the disace of having year after year granted certificate to one who is not efficient. Surely it is a sign of better times that trustee board has determined to te out justice in a legal manner, and it has decided to give the teacher hearing. Though the trustees were rely following the example of the hest court in the land-his honor the itenant-governor in council in connning a teacher without giving him a ace to defend himself, yet they have idently thought that British Columbia already suffered sufficient disgrace om the exposure of such an act of

WATOHMAN

Florest Tobacco. Louis, March 20.—Employment has n found for 300 men in a new cigar ory just opened by a first which line erto been jobbing eastern made ci-... The tobacco industry generally orts exceptional activity and the rev returns indicate higher payments licenses than in either 1892 or 1893. number of unemployed in the city is quite small and of a fund of \$13,000 by the bankers and brokers sevweeks ago quite a large sum remains hand, although every applications has ved attention with the excep ew from men known to be professional

Another Gould Wedding. lew York, March 21.-Howard Gould Miss Odette Tyler, the well known ss, are to be married very shortly, will make a bridal trip of a year ahalf in one of Gould's yachts round Young Gould was introduced Miss Tyler on the Pacific coast by ominent railroad official during her with Charles Frohman's company years ago. Since then Mr. Gould has n devoted to Miss Tyler.

ndon, March 19.-The Westminster zette says Mr. Gladstone will occasionmake his appearance in the comns, and will retain his old seat in the asury bench.

## TA RA RA HURT.

ttie Collins Sprains One of Her Supple Ankles. nicago, March 19.—Lottie Collins lies at apartments at the Palmer House with apartments at the Palmer House with right ankle in a plaster cast and in the constant care of trained nurses. lay night the Boston Howard Athem Company opened a week's engage-nt at the Haymarket. Miss Collins was star of the attraction. Three times she

During the wild dance she slipped and With a smothered "Oh" she was on feet again and bravely tried to catch up h the music. It was a vain effort. Bethe audience was aware that the cer was really injured several members the company rushed out on the stage assisted her to the wings. The audience lauded—it did not know why—and content to applaud. Lame as she was—suffag terrible pain—the actress, assisted a stage hand, hobbled to the front of curtain and told the audience that she not hurt and would be all right the night. Scarcely had the curtain closed in the Palmer House under the care physician.

Henry Ryan, physician of the Actors'.

ary Ryan, physician of the Actors was at once summoned and made y examination. He found that bethe ankle being severely sprained, to dislocation, three ligaments of that been ruptured outright, while d been broken. It was at first supthat some of the smaller bones of the deep tractured but it had been tractured but it is now that some of the smaller bones of ot had been fractured, but it is now at no bones have been broken, have forbidden Miss Collins to atto dance again for at least six s, said Dr. Ryan this morning, "and advised her not to try again for at

dvised her not to try again for at year, unless she wishes to run the again injuring herself." she ever be able to dance again?" being her physician, I have confined being her around," was the Beyond that Dr. Ryan would not is is evident he regarded the interest of the second of the s

soon as my wife is strong enough," her husband, "she will be taken to york and thence to London, where she nain until she has thoroughly

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Timely Discovery of a Widespread Conspiracy.

AMONG THE COREAN REVOLUTIONISTS

A Thousand Pounds of Gunpowder Stored Away

Under Government Buildings-Intention Was to Hoist King and Councillors Out of Sight-Twenty One Conspirators Captured-Righ Officials Implicated-Jap Complicity Suspected.

San Francisco, March 20.—The steamer ity of Peking brings details of the plet the king of Corea and his minisnentioned in a brief cable dispatch from Yokohama on the 10th instant. The conspirators had prepared to destroy the conspirators and central government office on the Corean new year's day, 6th of February, when new years and, the king and his ministers would appear here in state.

here in state. Before they could carry out their designs, they were betrayed by one of their number a little before the hour they had appointed for their work of destruction. The government was secretly informed of the plot and when the office was examined over 1000 pounds of gunpowder was found under the floor. The government succeeded in arresting 27 of the conspirators. According to their confession, as soon as they had set to work, over one thousand others were to have arisen on all sides and assisted them in

verthrowing the government. As their confessions may implicate high ersonages it has been proposed to put men to death at once and expose their heads to public view. It is rumored the Japanese are at the bottom of the conspiracy, and that the Japanese government had proposed to lend two iron-

lads to the conspirators. The conspirators were sentenced to death on February 23rd, but owing to considerable difference among the judiciary the sentence was rescinded and the

en will be released. The Japanese general election took place on the 3rd instant, and was very severely contested. Six men on the United States ship

Monocacy, suffering from smallpox, were remeved to the hospital at Shanghai on the 13th instant. On the 16th one of the afflicted men died. San Francisco, March 20.—The steamer of Peking arrived from Hong Kong and Yokohama this morning bringing the

ollowing advices: When the steamer left Hong Kong the steamer Asaph, with a cargo of coal for that port, was six days overdue from Japan, and it was generally believed that she had foundered after being in collision with the steamer Hanghowa. The British man-of-war Pigmy, at latest advices,

half a dozen Europeans. Forty-five persons, consisting of members of the Malay crews and Chinespassengers, were lost in the collision which occurred in the Straits of Malacca on the first ultimo between the steamers Teck Seng Huan and Aing Hoe.

The Brazilian Rebellion. have gained a victory at Itavare and that .000 loval troops surredu

taken prisoner was false. Lisbon, March 20.—The officials of the foreign office profess to know nothing whatever as to the destination of the Portuguese warships which sailed from Rio with da Gama and others on

board. England's Army and Navy. thought it a great deal more necessary for England to strengthen the army than to augment the navy, though both needed strengthening. There was nothing the navy could do, he said, to prevent Russian aggression in Afghanistan.

Seigniorage of Silver. of commerce to-day, at a special meeting, discussed the seigniorage bill. There was large attendance. A long letter to of securing absolute proof of his

Spaniards Repulse the Malays. Madrid, March 20.-News has been received here of an attack by a large budy f Mindonao Malays upon the Spanish garrison on the island of Pantas, one of the Southern Phillipine group. The paniards succeeded in repulsing the Malays with the loss of over two hundred killed and a large number wounded. The loss to the Spaniards was triffing.

FOOLHARDINESS REWARDED. Fatal Ending of an Attempt to Shoot

Rapids on a Log. Montreal, March 20 .- A thrilling story comes from Chambly, a country place near Montreal. On Sunday areport was circulated in the village that a man intended to run the Chambly rapids on a log for about a mile. The shores on both sides of the river were soon lined with Shortly after 3 p. m. a man named Domphousse was seen coming oming down the stream standing on a log guiding himself with a pole. He came down the Chute au Corveau, a great rush of water, splendidly. From this point he aimed to cross the stream and pass between the first and second piers of the railway bridge. Here the water was rough, and although the venture some log driver made great efforts to pass between the two piers he was unaole to do so, and the man and the log shot down the outside of the second pier.

A short distance below the pier the log was swept into the water. He disappeared, but in a few second arose again ver and shooting straight for the rough-

Domphousse still grasping the log. They passed under the new iron bridge together into the smooth water, where, however, there is still a very swift ourrent which strikes across to the other side of

Apparently Domphousse had now become benumbed with the ice cold water, for he was no longer able to make any effort to guide his log. He floated helplessly along into the main channel, the current taking him to the firm ice at the foot of the rapids. A few minutes afterwards he was seen to lose his hold on the log and throw up his arms. With a cry he sank into the waters in full view of all the spectators. He was seen no more. Domphousse was about thirty years of age. He had spent many years in lumbering in Three Rivers.

RED CHAMBER VACANCIES.

Sinecures Which Are Evidently Distributed Around the Provinces. Ottawa, March 20 .- The death of Senator Botsford leaves eight vacancies in the red chamber. There are one Ontario, two Quebec, three New Brunswick one Nova Scotia and one Prince Edward Island. Members of the cabinet dray the report that Joseph Arsenault has been appointed to the senate in Prince Edward Island. There will not be any one appointed until after the session in place of the late Senator Botsford. It will be kept open for Wood, M. P. for

The estimates for 1895 were brought down to-day. They ask \$37,321,806 for consolidated fund, or a decrease of \$371,348 compared with the current year. There is a decrease of \$708,598 in the public works, the amount asked, including that charged to capital, is \$40,038, 92, or \$4,485,521 less than for 1893-94. The only items of any account for increase are those for public debt, over \$300,000, and legislation, nearly \$20,000

In the house to-day Mulock introduced a bill to regulate ocean freight rates on cattle. It provides that the government can make rates beyond which the vessel owners cannot go. Thompson admitted that something should be done to relieve farmers and shippers from extortionate

The item of \$17,640 for a steam se vice between San Francisco and Victoria, B. C., is reduced in the estimate to \$5,000. The public buildings improve nent in the province item is reduced from \$5,000 to \$2,000. Dredging and river improvements in the province are re duced from \$87,000 to \$56,000.

### HUNTING FOR FOX.

Mysterous Disappearance of the Seventh

Chicago, March 20.-The last echoes of the Cronin case have not yet been heard, and there is yet a possibility of a sensational climax to this cause celebre. Of the seven men originally indicted by the grand jury on June 29, 1890, Daniel Coughlin, F. J. Woodruff and John Kunze are free; John F. Beggs, Patrick O'Sullivan and Martin Burke have passwas searching for the missing vessel ed to another world, the two latter from which carried a crew of 40 Chinese and within the walls of the penitentiary. One of the seven is still at large, like Tascott, a wanderer on the face of the earth. This is Patrick Cooney, better known to his associates in Chicago as

"The Fox."

The evidence against this individual was stronger than against any of the others indicted with him. He answered in the closest details to the description of London, March 20.—The Brazilian minister there has received a dispatch from
on Clark street where the furnitars part
chased for the Carlson cottage was femchased for the Carlson cottage was femon Simmons" who rented the flat
earth which might be expected to mchased for the Carlson cottage was femor Shakespeare, of which there are very
journal and these few copies in avistance and these few copies in avistance and these few porarily stored, and his picture was rec- few copies in existence, and those few that of their customer. Cooney was a brick-layer, hailing from the west of alized the other day only £109 sterling, ion of Coughlin and Burke. On the ton Hall; and in 1889 the rerkins copy, morning after the Cronin murder he enmorning after the Cronin murder he entered a store on Clark street in company with Burke and purchased a cheap London, March 20. General Roberts white shirt and two collars. That day was the guest of the city of Newcastle he commenced to drink steadily, and ulto-day. In a speech General Roberts though not working he displayed an

abundance of XX money. He disappeared the day after the body was discovered in the catch basin, and although his description and photograph have been sent to the principal police authorities of the world he has dropped out of sight completely. Now that Coughlin has been acquitted, however, the New York, March 20.-The chamber friends of the murdered Irishman propose to concentrate their efforts on discovering the whereabouts of Coopey or President Cleveland, protesting against even if it takes years, until semething

President Cleveland, protesting even it is the bill, was manimously adopted by the tangible is developed.

The indictment still stands against him effective for an indictive fo and will remain effective for an indi-nite period, owing to the fact that he has never appeared to plead. At various she begged Rodes for \$40 to pay her board times sympose have reached the city that bill, and called him "dear." times rumors have reached the city that cooney has been seen in different parts of Ireland, and it is a secret known only to a select few that a Chicago detective of world wide reputation who is now in Ireland, as his friends suppose enjoying a vacation, is in reality engaged in hunting clues that may possibly lead to the running to earth of the "Fox." At the same time a man who is well informed on inner Clan-na-Gael affairs said a few days ago that Cooney was "where he could tell no tales, and where his prosecutors could never reach him." When asked whether the "Fox" was dead, however, he refused to pursue the subject farther. Members of the Cronin wing of the local Irish element are in correspondence with friends in England, Ireland, Australia and other parts of the world, and are confident that sooner or later their efforts will result in Cooney being arraigned before the bar of the

share in the murder of Patrick Henry Cronin. A Very Healthy Cyclone. Dallas, Tex., March 20.-The storms which swept over northern Texas on Sunday and Monday night, and which prevailed yesterday, were unparalleled in severity. The death roll will reach 20, mphousse was still standing on his and the list of injured over 100. At Emory, the county seat of Ranes county. the cyclone knocked the town nearly out appeared to strike a sunken rock, and to of existence. There were many portions the horror of the spectators the man visited and badly damaged. Mayor Berry has called upon Texas citizens for subscriptions to relieve the sufferers. ongside of the log, which he grasped. many of whom have been ruined and pulled himself partly upon it. The mourn the loss of members of their famlog was now on the wrong side of the ily. On Sunday night an electric storm followed by a miniature deluge of rain portion of the rapids. In a few fell upon Dallas and all the counties onds man and log were in the surging round about. No breaks in any of the waters, where both disappeared. To railroads have as yet been reported, but the astonishment of all, however, the it is nearly certain many will occur. The throughout the day, and Miss Pollard's two appeared as all and the state of the sta two appeared safely on the other side, river in front of the city is rapidly rising. bright answers brought frequent bursts

The Weekly Gossip Purveyed by Edmund Yates.

And the British Public Will Kindly Foot the Bills.

The Imperial Russian Wedding-Lord Corke's Alleged Somersault off the Fence-Andrew Carnegie Slightly Out Rare Copies of Shakespeare Folios.

New York, March 20 .- Edmund Yates n his cable letter to the Tribune says: The Queen will not return to Osborne until the middle of July, and during the next three months the place is to be in the hands of workmen, as Her Majesty has just approved of plans for a cousiderable addition to the house, which enlarge Osborne House by adding a new bedrooms and two bathrooms.

The Prince and Princess of Wales have been invited by the Emperor and Empress of Russia to St. Fetersburg for the imperial wedding, which is to take place either on April 29th or during the first week of May. The Prince will go to St. Petersburg from Coburg if he is able to accept the invitation, and the Princess would probably join him in Berlin. The King and Queen of Den-mark and the Duke and Duchess of eigns of Europe will be represented by members of their families.

rule fold has caused more amusement than surprise in the county of which he is lord-lieutenant, as it had been known for some time that he was halting on the fence and only waiting for a soft. place such as that which the mastership of the horse afforded for coming down on the Gladstonian side. Lord Cork's view of politics is not altogether dissimilar from Lady Cork's as to society; it is that your party should be the one in office, and that you should be in office too, and as much as possible in a sinecure.

Andrew Carnegie's trial of tenancy of Buckhurst is to be for there; months. If the air of Sussex suits him he has the option of taking the place on a long The mansion house was enlarged lease. and much improved five years ago. The entrance hall contains a full length pertrait of the first Lord Buckburst, treasurer of Queen Elizabeth, Lesides four well known pictures by Sir Jospua Reynolds, while the view of Ashdown forest from the terrace is one of the finest in South England. Mr. Carneg e, despite his militant radicalism, is said to entertain a profound veneration for historic associations, and was supremely happy when he was treated for three or four seasons as the guest of Lord of Dorset and a royal chaise would sat-

If there is one book on the face of the The Toovey copy, a very good one, re-Ireland, and for some time prior to the whereas £200 was paid in 1888 for the murder had been a friend and compan- imperfect Aylesford copy from Packing-£415. Three years ago, in New York, world of the first folio belongs to the Lady Burderte Coutts.

## POLLARD-BRECKENRIDGE

The Interesting Plaintiff Gives Evidence at To-Day's Sitting. Washington, D. C., March 20.-Miss Pollard was early in court to-day, but the defendant did not appear until some minutes after the court convened. Pollard again took the stand and Butterworth began questioning her about her acquaintance with Mrs. Lake Blackburn of Kentucky. The line of enquiry suggested to the spectators is that Brecking burn's testimony. The witness identified a letter written by her to Rodes. In it

Butterworth read a number of other letters sent by Miss Pollard to Rules 1885, sent to Rodes by Miss Pellard, she advises him to go to church eften, and adds: "If you could see the pretty girls here you would not look at me." The letter ended "with love and kisses, Madeline." She smiled frequently during the reading of this letter.

Washington, D.C., March 19.-Madeline Pollard was taken through the mazes of her life to-day, under the guidance of Major Butterworth, who in the absence, through illness, of Mr. Totten, has taken his place as leading counsel for Colonel Breckenridge. Sometimes she broke away from the way he would lead her, and made a remark against the silver pated defendant. She told how her alleged ruin was accomplished; how she Cook County court to answer for his gave herself up heart, soul, body and mind to Col. Breckenridge; how she ceiver at his instigation, never once alfrom her lips, during all the years preeding his marriage to Mrs. Wing. Miss was tearful at times, but at other periods her voice rose until it sounded loud of the most dramatic features of the day Foundling Asylum, where the first child was born. She had gone there last summer with her father to get evidence and the sister had asked her why she wanted as they are exacty similar. to ruin Breekenridge in his old age. In telling her answers Miss Pollard cried out for justice. "He must bear his share," she said, "as I must bear mine. He ruined my life and I will have jus-

of laughter until Judge Bradley severely

rebuked the spectators. There was one unconscious slip in her letters, which she presented in her oral testimony, and which indicated that her literary studies had not made her conversant with Biblical matters. She referred more than once to one of her early associates, of whom she said she was enamored, but who did not return her affection, as her "Blind Barnabas," obviously meaning the "Blind Bartimeus," son of Timus, who sat by the ways de begging as re-corded in St. Mark.

Major Butterworth conducted the cross-examination, receiving frequent and eager suggestions from Col. Breckinridge. Butterworth did not get very far with his cross-examination in the afternoon, al though he was engaged on it nearly two hours. He directed his efforts in the out-set to the attempt to show that Miss of Place-"He do Worship a Lord" - | Pollard was really two years older than she had stated, and that she was consequently nineteen or twenty when she met Breckinridge instead of seventeen. The effort failed, because she could not be wheedled or scared into telling any other story than she told on her direct examlength into the matter of her education prior to her father's death and subsequent to that event and before she entered college. This of course was intended to show that she was older than seventeen when she met the defendant. will cost about £6,000. It is intended to Nothing was gained by the defence on this line. Her father had taught her wing, which will contain about twenty the rudiments of education, or, as she put it: "Reading, writing-in fact, Mr. Butterworth, just about what you would teach your little girl if she were ignorant and ambitious to learn."

Her father taught her something of the history of the United States and Kentucky, "but not so much of the history of Kentucky as Mr. Breckinridge afterwards taught me," she said. This made everybody, even the judge,

laugh right out. She said she had read "lots of poetry" while living with her aunt at Pittsburg Coburg will attend the wedding, while Prince and Princes Henry of Prussia will represent the German Emperer and Empress, and most of the other sover
"Did you read Browning?" asked But
while Iving with her annt at Pritisourg minutes. The oculist informed Mr. Gladstone that the necessary operation at the prince of the other sover
"Did you read Browning?" asked But-

terworth. members of their families.

The teturn of Lord Cork to the home and did not read Browning."

"You were an unusually precocious litle girl, were you not, Miss Pollard?" Butterworth."

This raised another laugh at Butterworth's expense. Asked if Rhodes' proposal of marriage was the only one she had had she replied she had an offer a year before from a

"But," she explained, "I had no more to do with that offer than you had, Mr. Butterworth." Again the laugh was on Butterworth. Dropping her early education and of-

"He came across the car to speak to me—and, by the way, that's quite trick of his, to speak to young girls." "Did you know that then?"

"No. sir." When did you find it out?" Since the filing of this suit, When people have dared to speak the truth about him.'

Butterworth showed her a letter and amined it and said she had not. This or four seasons as the guest of Lord reply appeared to surprise the defend-cluny. Surely the home of the Pukes and a hasty consultation posing of Dorset and a royal chaise would sat-was held between them and the defend-within ant. It resulted in producing another letter, which she said she wrote.

examination of the plaintiff will be con-

The fact that Col. Breckinridge Mrs. Wing were secretly married in New York on April 29, 1893, was published here this afternoon. This fact can have no legal effect on Miss Pollard's suit for breach of promise, because Mrs. Black-burn testified that Col. Breckingidge told the Ives copy, a very fine one, sold for her on Good Friday, 1893, in Miss Pol-£840. The very best example in the lard's presence, that he was going to marry the latter. Good Friday last year fell on March 31st, nearly a month anterior to the secret marriage of defend-

## SEIGNORAGE ON THE SLY. startling Discovery Made by the Ameri-

can Secret Service. Omaha, Neb., March 20.-The an nouncement to-day at the Omaha headquarters of the United States secret ser-Vice that probably \$500,000 of counterfeit silver dollars had been successfully at in circulation here by a gang of well known criminals, distribing banking second cles materially.

Suspicion was aroused by purchases by strangers of large quantities of silver at the Omaha and Grant smelters. This was several weeks ago. Last week the urging him to let her have \$40. In a letter dated New Orleans, February 15, Des Moines were brought to Omaha and put on the scent, but it has been necessary to secure reinforcements, and four special government agents in addition to Marshal White's force have been co-operating with the division chief here in a

letermined effort to cage their birds. The outlaws have practically established a little mint in Omaha, directly under the nose of Uncle Sam. For months Omaha has been the hot bed of a crowd of "minters." They have coined, so it is said, about \$500,000 of silver dollars which contain the same amount of silver and allow as is placed in the regular dollars by the government. These men have simply started an opposition to government, and their money cannot be detected from the genuine. They are making money figuratively and literally. loved him, and how she acted the de- It is said that they realize 51 cents profit on every dollar they turn out. So cleverlowing a hint of their relations to fall ly have been worked that the cash drawers and banks of this city, Council Bluffs, South Omaha and elsewhere have Pollard made a good impression. She been the receptacles for thousands of these dollars.

It is a seignorage scheme on the sly above the protests of the attorneys. One and has finally attracted the attention of the government. The detectives are satwas when Mis Pollard detailed a con-listed that they have the counterfeithers versation with Sister Agnes at the where they cannot escape. The most puzzling feature of the situation is how the output of the gang can be separated from the dollars issued by the government

> Portland, Maine, March 20 .- To-day is the 90th birthday of Maine's colebrated apostle of prohibition, General Neal Pow. This forenoon he held an informal reception in his parlor. He was in high spir-

The Leading Spirit in the New Pacifie Line

BELIEVES HE WILL SOON SUCCEED.

Representatives of English Scaports Applying to Sir Charles Tupper-They Want the Line to Faver Them-No Port Decided on Let-Competion

London, March 21.-In an interview to-day James E. Huddart, promoter of the proposed new Canadian Pacific mail route to Australia, expressed himself as hopeful of obtaining all the advantages and concessions which were the object of ination. Butterworth then went at great his visit here. Sir Charles Tupper said to-day that during last week he had been approached by representatives of Liverpool, Milford Haven, Southampton, Swansea, Bristol, Plymouth and Cork, who pointed out the advantages of their respective towns as ports of call for the new line. No selection of an English port of call, he said, has been made yet.

> London, March 21 .- Mr. Gladstone arrived in London from Brighton this \$10,000, partially insured. The remainmorning. He is much stronger, but is der of the town was in danger of being still troubled with hoarseness and catarrh. The condition of his eyes is about the same. Mrs. Gladstone is not at all Mr. Gladstone has had a consultation

Gladstone's Health.

with Dr. Nethercliffe, the celebrated ophthalmist. The consultation lasted 45 The oculist informed Mr. minutes.

Louis Kessuth's Remains. Turin, March 21 .- A plaster cast of Kossuth's face was taken to-day, and the body has been embalmed. It is now said the remains will be buried at 'I was a very clever little girl, Mr. Pesth at the expense of that city. The municipal officers of Turin offered to provide a suitable tomb for the remains. Pesth, March 21.—Numerous empleme of mourning were displayed in the chamber of deputies to-day in honor of Kossuth's memory. Many buildings are draped in mourning.

Turin, March 21.-Kossuth left no coul estate property in consequence of losses through the failure of the Italian banks. He was some time ago compelled to sell his great library for 16,000 florins. This fers of marriage, Butterworth asked and the personal property in his house is about her first meeting with Breckin-believed to be all his possessions.

#### UNITED EMPIRE. British Colonial Representatives Think

Trade the Best Link. London, March 21.-The United Empire trade league gave a luncheon to-day to Sir Thos, McIlwraith of Queensland and Hon. Robt. Reid of Victoria, Australia. The Right Hon. James Lowasked her if she had written it. She ex- ther presided, and in the course of an speech, advocated the commercial of the empire. He closed by pro-g "The prosperity of mutual trade" able within the Empire.

Sir Thos. Milwraith endorsed the principles of the United Empire trade league and said at was the universal desire throughout the colonies to bring the dif-ferent sections of the empire closer to gether. The leading men of the colouies from New York, which gave an alarming believed they see the way clearly to the account of the physical condition of attainment of this object by a system of Whitelaw Reid, now at Milbrae, led to preferential trade between the mother an enquiry of D. O. Mills in regard to

country and colonies. Hon. Robt, Reid dwelt on the Canadian-Australian steamship and all Brit- dition, on the contrary he is gaining phyish Pacific cable project, and urged an sically every day. "I think he will be imperial subsidy for each. Sir Charles Tupper proposed "The

United Empire Trade League," in an able speech, in which he described the ed the fire originated in a gambling den efforts Canada was making to secure at 2:30 this morning. Just as the game British trade, and advocated a revision concluded a Chinese highbinder entered of the trade relations between Britain and grabbed the tray of money, he was and the colonies. Col. Howard Vincent replied on behalf of the League, which he said was the occupants began to scramble for the

young but growing fast. He believed coins, the result being that they upset that in this movement might be found a remedy for the present depression. The of flames. The Chinamen, however, were lack of industrial employment in Brit- more anxious to secure the money on the ain was, he said, developing colonial trade on a preferential basis,

Big Guns Tested Indian Head, Md., March 21.- The first two shots from the big thirteen inch gun to-day were entirely successful. The first shot was with a charge of 460 pounds of powder and gave a muzzle velocity of burned this morning. The next shot was with a full 000; insurance, \$30,000. charge of 500 pounds, which developed a muzzle velocity of 1975 feet.

General News. Jersey City, N. J., March 20 .- Adelna Waters, an actress, said to nave been connected at one time with McKee Ban amount at Toronto. He fied his country kin's company, was found unconscious in a vancant lot near her hotel this morning. She was suffering from an overdose of morphia and had been assaulted ers, in the service of the government, by a crowd of roughs, four of whom | got a clue and followed him to Spain. Canary islands, where he finally captured

were arrested. Lansing, Mich., March 20.-The sw reme court to-day handed down a decision in the case of Governor Rich against the state treasurer and state, sustaining Governor Rich's action in renoving these officials from office.

Rome, March 20 .- The Pope has approved the programme for the celebration of the centenary of the birth of Pope Pius IX. It will take place in May next, and will be attended by representatives of the Catholic church from all parts of the world. The new crypt in which the remains of the illustrious Pope are to be laid will then be formally opened and a special audience will be given by Leo XIII to the visiting prelates and memmers of the laity. London, March 20 .- Five . workmen

were buried under an embankment at Thorn, West Prussia, to-day. Rome, March 19.-The police in Lucca searched the lodgings of many anarchists in and around Lucca to-day. They seized a great quantity of manuscripts, leaflets and letters that had passed between anarchist conspirators. One letter was signed by the notorious conspirator and fugative Malatesta, who discussed in it the expediency of a general outhreak of the Roman anarchists on the anniversary of the Paris commune. He was burned last night with all its con-advised that the comrades in Rome arm tents, including thousands of dollars'

tablish a Reign of Terror in the capital. Other equally incriminating letters were found. Two of them were from conspicuous socialist leaders, who had taken ounsel with the anarchists.

Mellila, March 19.—A party of Riffs on the coast three miles from this town fired, to-day, on a transport which was conveying Spanish troops back to Malage. They wounded one man. The gov-ernor of Mellila is inquiring into the affair. No complications are expected to result from the shooting.

Rome, March 19.-Baron Sienna, minister of finance, has refused to modify his proposals for new taxes to the amount of a hundred million lire. There is such a strong sentiment among the deputies in favor of decreasing the amount in question, that it will be difficult to effect an understanding between the chamber and the cabinet.

## THE GOLDEN STATE.

Early Morning Blazes-A Diamond Thief's Sensational Confession---Report

About Mr. Whitelaw Reid's Health Matters in General in the Golden State.

San Jose, Cal., March 21 .- A block of brick buildings in Chinatown was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss on buildings and contents was about to the block destroyed.

San Francisco, March 21.-Fire broke out early this morning damaging the Lapeer lodging house and several adjoining buildings. Some 30 people were asleep in the house at the time of the alarm, most of whom had only time to escape attired in their night clothes. Two persons were carried out overcome by smoke.

Loss, about \$10,000. San Francisco, March 21.-Walter Guy Furnald has made confession in writing to Captain Lees, chief of the detective force here, of his connection with the robbery of diamonds and jewelry from the house of Simon Jacobsen on the night of February 17th last. He alleges that Robert Heuneman of this city pointed out the trunk to him on the evening of the 16th and that on leaving the place Heuneman unfastened the catch of the kitchen window, enabling his confederates, George Young and James Wilson, both sporting characters of this city, to enter the house about 2 o'clock on the morning of the 17th. Furnald afterwards met Young and Wilson at an appointed rendezvous where he received 19 diamonds, valued at about \$2000, and \$215 in cash. Next day the diamonds were removed from the gold settings in which they were mounted, and the sertings were melted and subsequently sold for \$320. Young and Wilson sold the gold but did not share the proceeds with Furnald. On hearing the police were after him, he proceeded to Los Angeles in company with Mrs. Gainer, and while there secreted the diamonds in a dressing case at the house of Mrs. Gainer's mother. The confession was made by arrangement with the police department to prosecute Furnald on a charge of receiving stolen property only, and immediateproceeded to Los Angeles and secured the hidden jewels. Wilson and Young are as yet at large, but their daily arrest is

expected.
San Francisco, March 21.—A report Mr. Reid's health. Mr. Mills said there is nothing alarming about Mr. Reid's conin good trim by the first of May, when he contemplates returning to New York. San Jose, Gal., March 21.-It is reportinstantly shot and tried to run out, the money was scattered over the floor and the lamp and the place was soon a mass floor of the gambling den than to subdue the flames. The highbinder who was shot is said to have entered a place which was afterwards burned, and his charred remains will be found in the ruins. Hueneme, Cal., March 21.-One-third

of the business portion of the town was burned this morning. The loss is \$75. Defaulter Bain Caught. Tampa, Fla., March 21.-For more than a year the authorities of the Dominion of Canada have been searching for G. C. Bain, a defaulter in a large after the discovery of his alleged offence, From thence he followed him to the

Montana's Gold Fields.

him, and arrived here on Sunday from

Cuba, on his way back to Canada with

his prisoner.

St. Paul, Minn., March 21.-The gold production in Montana during Jaunary ind February, and thus far in March, has been double that of last year, and he prospects are that the production for the entire year will be more than double that of 1893. Said W. C. Tonkin, a prominent Helena, Mont., mining man, to-day: "The silver mines of course are closed, but the copper mines are employing about the same number of men as formerly, and the gold mining has taken care of large numbers of the unemployed. In nearly every one of the mining counties quantities of gold are being produced, and the activity in this line is much greater than it has been at any time since the days of old placer mining, which gave the state its reputa-

tion as a gold producer." Cherokee Tyhee Lodge Burned. Tahlequah, I. T., March 21.-The executive mansion of the Cherokee nation, occupied by Chief Harris and his family, themselves and make every effort to es- worth of costly furniture and paintings.