CIVIL SERVICE ASSAILED. ONE DEFENDER IN THE HOUSE.

resentative Hepburn Goes So Far to Offer an Amendment to Strike Out the Appropriation for the Commission—Minority Leader Williams Also Invelghs Against the "Chinese enching the Expenses of the enses of the House.

was begun in the House to-day during ration of the legislative appropriation bill. The opposition came urn, of lows, and Grosvenor, of Ohio. The legislative bill was scrutinized

arefully in consonance with the Pres-The pay of the stenographers to comthe library met with some Democratic opposition, led by Messrs. Bartlett, of Georgia; Maddox, of Georgia, Clark, of Missouri, and precipitated a discussion by the opposition generally. The latter said there were many supernumerary officials around the House who ought to be gotten rid The President's message, he said, had urged economy, and Mr. Clark contended that if the House was going to economize, the best place to com-

In a few vigorous remarks, Mr. Livingston, of Georgia, defended the appropriations committee in the preparation of the bill. He replied to a criticism by Mr. Maddox, that the memexamine the printed bill, by saying resentatives to which a State shall that even if the members were given entitled in that Congress. a week to examine it they would "come however, that bills appropriating mil- by any State exceeds the number

mence was the House itself."

Service Commission elicited from Mr. Maddox, of Georgia, severe criticism, because of a proposed increase of 23 by the House of Representatives." employes to constitute the rural carrier examining board. there was no necessity for them and that it was the duty of this Congress to retrench if the statement of the Secretary of the Treasury be true. "God knows." he said. "I want this government to stand and be able to raising additional taxes."

action of the committee, because the

work by detail from other officers. The discussion shifted to the question of the salary of the secretary to the commission. The committee had increased it from \$2,250 to \$2,000, but an additional bill by Mr. Bartlett, of Georgia, putting it back to the former somewhat was adopted. Mr. Henburn of the secretary to the status of recess appointments, such as that made in Crum's case in the first and second sessions of the present Congress.

Responding, Mr. Platt. said that the John Remly, a well-to-do citizen of service, but he declared, in comparing

ment over the present system to fix a report should be made." certain period for which an employe After the colloquy between Mr. Till-Grosvenor, of Ohio, referred to a pack-age of papers which had come to him to-day from a rural carrier who had powers of the committee. He could the commission as to whether or not committee to consider the resolution the commission as to whether or not he had used his influence in behalf of the election of President Roosevelt in the Ohio campaign and whether or not on a certain day he had turned over his route to his substitute and gone to likely to him.

An Iron Safe Was Blown to Pieces, but the Robbers Were Frightened of the Senator from South Carolina that Senator could, of course, follow any line of action which might commend the substitute and gone to likely to him. his route to his substitute and gone to itself to him. the polls and worked for the Republi-

In jocular vein, Mr. Williams, director could punish the House with such a adjourned until Monday. hard luck story out in Ohlo, because in the case of President Roosevelt. of a fellow who had dared to have shown political activity in behalf of Mr. Parker. This reference to Judge Parker produced considerable laughter on both

scarcity at the polis," responded Mr. settlement there, or to report any bill Trains from Winston-Sal and Williams, amid more laughter, "I imauthorizing the appropriation of any Statesville were delayed sever hours agine a great many of them must have money for an industrial exposition last night by a south-bound freight

The bill was laid aside and the House event other than by holding an indus-

MORRELL FOLLOWS PLATE.

to Reduce Represe ed Into the House-

Washington, Dec. 8 .- Representative Morrell, of Pennsylvania, to-day introduced a bill to reduce representation in States where citizens are disfranchised. The bill is more general than that introduced by Senator Platt yes-Washington, Dec. 8.—The annual terday, and its provisions apply to any fight on the Civil Service Commission State limiting authors. State limiting suffrage.

The bill, if enacted into law, would

reduce the representation in Congress ers. Bartlett, of Georgia, Hep- of any State which denies the right of suffrage to any of its male inhabitants ident's recommendation against ex- cept for participation in rebellion or travagance. Mr. Bingham, in charge crime." The bill provides that from of the bill, was required constantly to and after March 4, 1907, when the right explain some particular appropriation. to vote at any election for the choice mittees of the House was reduced from of electors for President and Vice Presper annum to \$3,000, and the ident or Representaives in Congress, House refused to accept the provision the executive or judicial officers of the increasing the pay of the secretary to State or the members of the State Leglittle progress was made on the bills, islature shall be denied or abridged The provision appropriating the salary by any State, "the basis of represenfor a janitor to the House committee tation therein shall be reduced in the proportion which the number of such citizens shall bear to the whole number of male citizens 21 years of age in such

> The bill makes it the duty of the Secretary of Commerce and Labor to ascertain through the Census Bureau, by means of a biennial census, the numwhom the right to vote is so denied or abridged, and to report the same to the Speaker of the House of Representatives on the 4th day of March, 1907, and biennfally thereafter.

State.

Provision is further made for the reading of the report in open session which shall form the basis of calculabers had not had sufficient time to tion in determining the number of Rep-

"If it should appear," the bill further in here as ignorant as a man from provides, "that the number of Repre-He lamented the fact, sentatives that have been accredited dollars should be hurried which it shall be entitled according to through in 52 days. "This hurried ex- the rule of apportionment herein proplanation ought to stop," he declared. vided, none of the persons so accredit-Congress, he suggested ought to meet ed as Representatives shall be entitled in May and thus give a decent time to seats in the House of Representato the legislation of the country. When tives, but a vacancy in the entire repfirst of December-was fixed, he resentation of such State shall be desaid, there were not 20,000,000 people clared by resolution of House, and the to legislate for, but now there were 80,- executive authority of such State shall issue writs for the election of a num-The paragraph relating to the Civil ber of Representatives-at-large same, equal to the number to which it may be justly entitled as declared

STATUS OF CRUM CASE.

Senator Tillman Brings Up a Discussion by Asking for a Committee Report on Recess Appointments-Not Make Factious Opposition.

Washington, Dec. 8 .- The Senate held pay its debts without issuing bonds or only a short session to-day, and ad-advantage. journed until Monday. During the Littauer, of New York, an endorse- sideration of the pure-food bill was de- if at the close of this season its results State Commerce Commission and that open session an attempt to secure conment of Mr. Maddox's retrenchment feated by a demand of Mr. Aldrich that are not regarded as clearly advanta- before the discretion was granted the could pay these poor people back. ideas, but he said the case in point the bill be read at length, which geous to producers and consumers, basic organization of the commission When asked concerning Andrew Carbrough an objection from Mr. Tillman, it will be abandoned thereafter. who did not want the time consumed. 23 clerks referred to already were at nated for collector of Charleston, S. tiam D. Crum, the colored man nomi- far have unmistakably so resulted." The discussion shifted to the ques-

amount was adopted. Mr. Hepburn, of resolution had failed to receive con- Crawfordville, Ind., was found to-day lowa, offered an amendment to strike sideration during the past session beout the appropriation for the com-mission, and in bitter terms denounced then the chairman of the committee. the Civil Service Commission. He was He promised to bring the matter up at not, he said, opposed to a proper civil the next meeting of the committee.

"Has the committee power to refuse the old spoils system with the present to make a report when under instrucmerit system, the civil service was not tions from the Senate to do so?" Mr. being improved. It was not, he said. Tillman asked, but before Mr. Platt as good as it was 20 years ago. It was could make reply Mr. Spooner respondconstantly deteriorating, becoming ev- ed with another question, which was ery year more and more and more of directed to Mr. Tillman. He asked the and also New York exchange for \$600, last session, and the passage of which To add to her cup of woe, it was an expense and less and less effective. South Carolina Sendor whether the Gillett, of Massachusetts, de- resolution carried a time limit, to which the Senator replied in the negative. He After Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, added the conviction that it would be the minority leader, had offered a suggestion that it would be an improve- sionally in the Senate, even though no caused death.

can ticket. "Now think of holding a poor devil of a rural carrier like that."

The man had simply gone to the polls of the President; that he felt called away by the citizens of the town attracted of the President; that he felt called away by the citizens of the town attracted of the President; that he felt called away by the citizens of the town attracted of the President; that he felt called away by the citizens of the town attracted of the purpose o Replying, Mr. Tillman said that he upon antagonize confirmation until the his remarks to Mr. Grosvenor, said committee report could be received had been wondering if Mr. Grosven- The Senate, after an executive session report could be received.

what might possibly have been the fate House Committee Will Not Recom mend an Appropriation for Pro-posed Industrial Exposition, but Will Devise Some Other Plan.

Washington, Dec. 8.-The House committee on industrial arts and exposi "The indications are," replied Mr. tions, at its meeting to-day, decided Grosvenor, causing a renewal of laugh-not to recommend to the House the ter, "there were a great many of them authorization of an industrial exposition to be held at Jamestown, Va., In From the numerousness of their commemoration of the first English

suitable form of commemoration of th

trial exposition.

Director of the Comms North Declares That to Abandon the Installment Statement Plan Would Deprive the farket of a Steadying Influence— ull Report Might be Delayed by Lack of Returns From a Few Coun-ties—Plan Will be Abandoued, However, if Not Clearly Satisfactory,

Washington, Dec. 8,-Director of the Census North to-day made a statement Bureau in connection with the resolution adopted by the Memphis Cotton Special to The Observer. Exchange and concurred in by the exchanges at Vicksburg and Charleston. tor North says:

reports antil all piled. Incidentally, the returns are ously, thus protected from the possibility of

'leakage' or any suspicion of leakage. plan also meets the second ob-As a steadying in- of fear.

he year's growth at 12.162.000 bales. appeared on December 3d. The public, prepare for a large crop estimate. It would appear that the effect of the partial statement was to prepare the ublic for conditions now appearing, and to prevent wide fluctuations prices, which must otherwise have occurred

Mr. Tillman brought the case of Wil- the benefit of these classes, and thus

DEATH BY FALL FROM TRAIN.

field by a farmer, about 100 yards from the tracks of the Southern Railway. It is likely to have caused death, also Senstor Simmons to-day conferred the woman, kept her in his office hours

be sent to the Indiana home.

this morning an attempt was made to rob the Mount Airy (Md.) Bank. The iron sufe was blown to pieces, but before the by the explosion. The front of the safe was blown to pieces. Several taps from a hammer easily dislodged the door, and

The local police, assisted by railroad de of the men. Among the men arrested were police House. they have captured a dangerous

Wreck Delayed Trains

Statesville were delayed sever hours

Stock Exchange Failure.

Stock Exchange Failure.

New York, Dec. 8.—W. E. Badeau one of the Consolidated Stock Exchange officials say they understand Radeau's liabilities were comparatively small.

Stock Exchange Failure.

Stock Exchange of the Consolidated Stock Exchange of the Consolidated Stock Exchange for Cohe & Co., of Richmond, five daughters and two, sons; two Cripple Creek," the name, tells the duced by Senator Platt in the Senate, and was a very popular man. There brothers—Rev. W. I., Builer, of Shelling Failure.

Stock Exchange Failure.

Smith-Allen.

A small audience witnessed the usual A guite for Cohe & Co., of Richmond, five daughters and two, sons; two Cripple Creek," the name, tells the failure.

Stock Exchange Failure.

PART REPORTS ADVISABLE, CONGRESS FEELS THE STIR. MRS. CHADWICK IN PRISON ANSWER TO COTTON EXCHANGES ONE EFFECT OF THE MESSAGE, SURETY FOR \$15,000 LACKING.

Well Street Excited Over the Recom-mendation of the President That/the Inter-State Commerce Commission be Given Power to Fix Raffrond Rates—Assurances Have Been/Given to Interested Parties, However, That Congress Will Do Nothing of the Kind—Scientor Simmons Inquires About His Immigration Bill—More Jefferson Bibles May be Printed.

By W. A. HILDEBRAND.

every county in the cotton belt. Directhe slump in stocks, which has been nothe collection and publication of the ltated not so much by the Lawson let- way to prison.

two objections. It is impossible to give telephones between the metropolis and waiting on the Broadway side. out complete reports antil all the the capitol were in constant service to-agents have made their returns; and, day, and it seemed that the leading Tombs. Arriving there, Mrs. Constant service tothe the capitol were in constant service toas facilities for travel and other con-spirits of the House and Senate were wick was half carried cotton-producing States, it often hap- familiar with the affairs of the street, the party, and pens that a few county reports are late. It will also interest the country to liminaries had been attended to, new plan, information is given to the that the recommendations made by the nied, the warden saying that

A SIGNIFICANT UTTERANCE. The Republican Star this afternoon "The plan also meets the second objection by giving the public more fre-published this significant paragraph." Marshal Henkel formally turned his quent reports and gradually prepared suppose," remarked a well-known memall concerned for the complete monthly bers of the House, who keeps in touch prisoner over to the warden and she statement giving the total quantity with high finance, "that Wall street will maked to say good night to her ginned to a given date. The prelimi-be damning Roosevelt again and charg-and the lad eagerly rushed to his nary report of November 22d gave an ing him with spilling the fat in the fire mother, and wrapping his arms about accurate forecast of the full report and as they did when he ordered the prose- her, gave her a long embrace. gave notice to producer and manufac-cution of the Northern Securities case, she was led away to the inner officer, turer, as to what might be expected but it wont do; there is no occasion where her pedigree was taken and she in the final report issued November for alarm at anything in the Presi-was assigned to a cell. 30th, and in consequence there were no dent's message. Wall street has been sharp and sudden fluctuations in prices told that, and yet keeps on in its panic and were driven to a hotel.

thing the President might say, a pro-denied relationship to Mrs. York, itable to somebody. It is said by well- life of Mrs. Chadwick. in is no likelihood whatever of Congress not make a testimony that the new method is re-garded by the producers and consum-ing spirits of the House and Senate case will be shown." ers of cotton as an improvement and last session when bills were introduced. Mrs. Chadwick also told of the Wade "However, the plan of issuing these impolitic to vest such wide discretion- ferring to the failure of the latter inpartial statements is experimental, and "ry powers in a body such as the Inter-stitution, she said: The would have to be enlarged.

The recommendation of Monday's sel. 15 Miles From Atlanta About 100 the President-Van Zant, of Minnesota; Federal Court building, and ended with Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 8.—The body of John Remly, a well-to-do citizen of Crawfordville, Ind., was found to-day near Mableton, Ga., 15 miles north of Atlanta, It was discovered in a correction of the President should insist on some lawyers representing her inter-

many bruises about the body. The body with Senator Dillingham, chairman of after she should have been removed. was clothed in the usual garments, ex- the committee on immigration, with The endeavors of the lawyers were uncepting a cost. In the pockets were reference to the immigration bill which successful, rendering her imprisonment found about \$18 in sucrement and change the North Carolina Senator introduced necessary. nayable to John Remly. It appeared he so earnestly advocated. Senator learned to-night that a charge of that the man had fallen from a passing Dillingham said be had recently talked forgery would very likely be made train, struct on the head, and had this matter over with homigration Com- against the woman in Ohio, based on Amor, cannot be distinctly seen, but there A coroner's jury found a verdict in now pending. The bill proposes to es- although Mrs. Chadwick expressed the accordance with the facts stated, de-tablish on Ellis Island an immigration desire to-night to go to Cleveland as serve the government, Mr. man and Mr. Spooner, Mr. Platt said claring that death was due to accident, station wherein can be kept exhibits soon as possible. She said she would The body has been embalmed and will of products of the various States, and go voluntarily, were it not for the conwherein will be stationed representatives from States whose duty it will be to furnish information to immigrants. Senator Dillinghum quoted Commissioner Sargeant as saying he was thoroughly alive to the pecessities of farm york hotels. Her dinner consisted of the constant of the various States, and go voluntarily, were it not for the constant for the constant in the various States, and go voluntarily, were it not for the constant form the constant in the pecessities of counsel.

Housion, Tex. Dec. 8.—Interviews over the State to-day show that the banks go recally in willing to advance money at a reasonable rate of interest to enable farmers and merchants to carry their cotion for a year, if necessary. While the results of the resul to-day from a rural carrier who had only promise at this time to ask the been propounded certain questions by only promise at this time to ask the BANK ROBBERS IN MARYLAND. to furnish information to immigrants night in Marshal Henkel's office under but the Robbers Were Frightened oughly alive to the necessities of farm York hotels. Her dinner consisted of England was none the less directly in- from a Broadway lunch counter. She England cotton mills have closed down A deputy marshal stood watch while because of the high price of cotton and her nurse took the meagre lunch from time to hold. that the South is producing just as a paper bag and peeied the orange. much cotton as is possible under pres- Emil sat by in stience and ate a few ent labor conditions. Senator Dilling- bites of the sandwich, ham wanted to know if it was true that Mrs. Chadwick burst into tears, and the cashler removed \$4,000 in bank notes, negroes were leaving the Southern cotwhich lay within easy reach of the rob- ton fields in considerable numbers. MORE JEFFERSON BIBLES.

rectives, have arrested 22 men in this city in connection with the attempted robbery. Complete sets of burglars' tools, including, besides revolvers, fash lights, "jimmies," "wedges" and dynamite cartridges, were found in possession of some of the man Among the men arrested were light, read 40,000 and if this suggestion olution calling for the printing of 10,000 counsel that she must go to jail bemore copies of the Jefferson Bible. Sencause surely for \$15,000 could not be The latter will retain his interests in one had left the house after the tion read 40,000 and if this suggestion James King, of Norfolk, Va.; John Collins, of Wilmington, N. C., and Chas. Knorn of Alexandria, Va. The police House.

Representative W. W. Kitchin said to-day there was a vacancy at West Point which he has the privilege of

Iredell Man Dies Suddenly at Gastonia reduce the

say."

Statesville, Dec. 8.—Mr. John A. Butter, of which Mr. Tawney is to be three, of which Mr. Tawney is to be three miles from Harmony, died this in three miles from Harmony, died this morning at Gastonia, aged about 50 years. The hour of his death is not wrecking train from Gastonia passed where the will be marked to make any years. The hour of his death is not three miles from Harmony, died this morning at Gastonia, aged about 50 years. The hour of his death is not three miles from Harmony, died this morning at Gastonia, aged about 50 years. The hour of his death is not three miles from Harmony, died this morning at Gastonia, aged about 50 years. The hour of his death is not three miles from Harmony, died this morning at Gastonia, aged about 50 years. The hour of his death is not three miles from Harmony, died this morning at Gastonia, aged about 50 years. The hour of his deat wrecking train from Gastonia passed years. The hour of his death is not statement about the result of his merchanthrough Charlotte on its way to the known, as he was found dead in bed, the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough Charlotte on its way to the known, as he was found dead in bed, the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough Charlotte on its way to the known, as he was found dead in bed, the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough Charlotte on its way to the known, as he was found dead in bed, the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough Charlotte on its way to the known, as he was found dead in bed, the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough Charlotte on its way to the known, as he was found dead in bed, the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough Charlotte on its way to the known, as he was found dead in bed, the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough Charlotte on its way to the known, as he was found dead in bed, the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough Charlotte on its way to the known, as he was found dead in bed, the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough the will have a more expression and carried away numerous merchanthrough the will have a more expression and Mrs. W. T. Jordan received last night business interests there. Mr. J. A. a telegram informing her of the death Butler went to Gastonia to-day and of Mr. John R. Wilbon at his home in will return with the remains to-mor-

No Friend Owning Manhattan Real Estate Could be Found, Following the Arraignment Early in the Morn-ing—The Woman's Condition Pitiably Weak-Comforted by Her Son's Presence at the Incarceration Did Not Expect to Meet Ohio Obli-

New York, Dec. 8 .- Mrs. Cassle L. hadwick is to-night occupying one of the scantily-furnished cells in the Washington, Dec. 8 .- The stir on Wall day for ball, her settorneys gave up the requesting that the Census Office aban- street excited more interest at the cap- right to-night, and Philip Carpenter, don its present plan of publishing the itol to-day than any consideration of her chief counsel, stood in the corridor ments, and withheld all information politics or legislation, members being of the Federal building at 9 o'clock, until reports have been received from chiefly concerned over the report that when United States Marshal Henkel ed him out into the stream and three throw open the double doors of his "Since the Census Bureau undertook ticeable since Monday, had been precip- office and led the woman out on her

statistics of cotton ginned, only two ters as by certain paragraphs in the Mrs. Chadwick was wan, tired and objections have been urged to it plan—President's message. The street laid almost fainting. She made her way namely, that too much time elapsed namely, that too much time elapsed between the collection and the publi- the decline in prices to that clause in ing heavily on the marshal's arm and cation dates of the resorts, and that the message which recommended that that of her son, Emil. Behind them the exigencles of the cotton trade re- the Inter-State Commerce Commission came her nurse, Freda Swenson, and quired reports more frequently than once a month.

"The change was made to meet these and rates of railroads. Long distance people to a carriage which was in

ditions differ widely throughout the much interested in and remarkably into the building. Warden Flynn met and the publication of the full report know that the gamblers had received woman asked permission to have her thus delayed several days. Under the assurances from congressional leaders nurse remain with her. This was depublic as fast as received and com- president need not be regarded seri- should have no privileges not allowed

other prisoners. Mrs. Chadwick gave a few trinkets to the nurse, and whis-

The son and nurse entered a carriage lying on a couch in the United States fluence upon the market, the partial Such testimony as this would suggest marshal's office awaiting a bandsman, reports have been abundantly justified that the "frenzied financiers" cannot Mrs. Chadwick, for the first time since well shake their grey locks at the Re- her name has been before the public "The estimate of the United States publican leaders in Congress, who ad-consented to talk for publication and Department of Agriculture, estimating vised the street early in the week that gave the representative of the Assothey need not feel alarmed over any clated Press a statement in which she eeding which, in the opinion of the San Francisco, who gave out an in-Democrats, looks more or less discred- terview to-day, telling of the earlier informed men at the capitol that there her son, Mrs. Chadwick said she would enacting the recommendation of the Madame De Vere business" at the President to vest such wide power in present time, but promised that later "The office has received abundant the Inter-State Commerce Commission, "Madame De vere's whereabouts and

was argued then that it would be Park and Oberlin Bank matters. Re-"I would not like negie's connection with her financial the decline

message is accounted for by those who. This has, no doubt, been one of the are interested in the subject on the most momentous days in Mrs. Chadore of the influence of the three West- wick's history. It commenced with her ern Governors who recently talked with early departure from her hotel for the LaFollette, of Wisconsin, and Cummins, her incarceration in the Tombs, of Iowa, in these three States the In the interval she had been arraign-

the marshal had, out of sympathy for

favor of the passige of this bill, as any to get ball will continue to-morrow.

mother's side and quieted her with

CRUMPACKER SEES PRESIDENT. Effort Made to Enlist the Chief Ex-

tation. Washington, Dec. 8 .- An effort is being

made to enlist the influence of President Roosevelt in promoting the proposition to representation of

FOUR HELD FOR TRIAL.

Result of Testimony of an Alleger Member of a South Carolina Mob-The Smallpox Situation Growing Sc Observer Bureau,

Observer Bureau, 129 Main Street.
Columbia, S. C., Dec. S.
Edwards, the alleged Eutawville lyncher who has turned Clate's evidence, gave involvent testimony at the bearing before Magistrate McCoy at George's to-day, Edwards was brought in by a penitentiary mard and immediately after giving his lestimany, left the place in a buggy. His evidence resulted in Andrew Martin, Eastern Piney Martin and Folleeman Palmer being held for trial. The prisoners will at much apply for bail. Edwards said that Butler and Piney Martin were not present and Piney Martin were not present drowning of the negro Bockhardt, ut ne implicated Piney Martin, who and been arrested. According to Edwards, Eastens, Palmer and the Martins tied the our of iron to Bookhardt's body and rowhim overboard. The witness denied

him overboard. The witness denied that the body was mullated. Facts and information brought out at the annual meeting to-day of the State board of health show that the smallpox situation is anidly growing more serious throughout the State. The mortality per-centage has been more than trebled since he first of January and there are cases every county in the The forunties is at present parties larly serious in Georgetown and McColl, in the lower part of the State, Secretary Evans reported that the mortality has inresed to 31/2 per cent, since the first of muary. A against a highest previous soud of 1 per cent. The virulence of the state is also rapidly increasing in the orthern States, the mortality in some be-is as high as 20 per cent. So far this as high as 20 per cent. So far this the secretary reports 1,332 cases and es year. The Maribora County Medical icty has petitioned both the Governor the State board of health to quaran-the town of McColl in the state board of health to no the town of McColl, in that county bis morning that when he was at McColl ut two weeks ago he saw two men at work in the knitting mill in the seventh lay of eruption. He warned the authori-ies then that the town would soon be ies then that the town would soon be three to prevent the spread of the infecprevent the spread of the infecorder a place quarantined unions there are instructions to that effect from the Gov-ernor, but the recretary was directed to call the attention of the town authorities to the fact that the State law compels them to adopt preventive measures against the spread of an infectious disease. In the matter of the quarantine stations at harleston, deorgetown, Beaufort, Port oyal and Heiena, the board decided to emorialize the next Legislature to give harleston. board the authority to transfer se or sale these stations to the Federa comment, the State to be relieved of expense of keeping them up, but to re n a supervision over them as was

ggregate about \$75,000. The Secretary of State to-day authorized Bennetbyllle & Cheraw Ballroad Comseny to amend its charter so as to allow to extend its lines "from the town of anethydile in a southerly direction to me point on the Carolina & Northern Bennettsville ir read and Merrill's Inlet on the Atlantic

one are worth in the

JAPAN ACCEPTS INVITATION.

Will Gladly Participate in The Hague Conference, Provided It Does Meddle With the Far Eastern War. Washington, Dec. &-The charge d'af-

faires of the Japanese legation to-day in-formed the Secretary of State that the Japanese government cordially sympa-thizes with the beneficent purpose that inspired the invitation of the President thises with the beneficent purpose that the beneficent purpose that the beneficent purpose that the beneficent purpose that the beneficent purpose of the beneficent purpose of the beneficent to the second Hague conference. The Japanese government does not find in the fact that they are engaged in war and robbers accomplished the murders referring her interviewer to her coun-sel.

This has, no doubt, been one of the most momentous days in Mrs. Chad-in the preposed conference, provided that the conference to be assembled does not take, or assume to take, any action rela-tive to or affecting in any way the present conflict. Subject to these reservations, the imperial government gladly accepts the

THREE MORE SHIPS SINKING:

Battleships Pobleda and Retvizan and Cruiser Pallada Seriously Damaged by Japanese Land Batteries.

Tokio, Dec. 8, 6 p. m .- The following re sert from the commander of the leading battery in front of Port Arthur was re-relved to-day. "The battleship Pobleda's middle is seriously damaged. The vessel is listing aft, and is submerged to the

buttleship Retvizan is listing to urboard and her upper deck is nearly submerged. re of The protected cruiser Pallada, which and upon reaching the nouse the fin made is lying between the Retvizan and the had gained such headway that it

ENABLED TO HOLD COTTON.

Texas Banks Generally Willing to Give Farmers Reasonable Rates-A ladies were found in their Few Dissidents.

oughly alive to the necessities of farm York hotels. Her dinner consisted of generally do no on the ground that the an orange, a ham sandwich and a piece great amount held will result in continuer chant and farmer, supposed to Senator Simmons replied that New of cake, brought to her by her son uning the conditions brought about by a prosperous. There is no reason kn England was none the less directly in- from a Broadway lunch counter. She crop too big 50 be absorbed, whereas by terested in the measure. Senator Sim- lay on a hard leather couch, in a room marketing the true crop the size of the mons' theory is that number of the New filled with desks, chairs and file cases. Crop could be definitely known. Generally, reports to daily papers from country correspondents state that farmers will con-

the slight boy, who seemed cool under of the Orient Mill in the capacity of hounds were brought to the scene of the Orient Mill in the capacity of hounds were brought to the ac president and manager. Mr. Wardlaw could find no trail, and in the is successor to Mr. H. D. Wheat, who of a motive those who held to announcement of Mrs. Chadwick's resigned the presidency of the mill on theory of murder could not solve the the mill and continue on the board of started. directors

nection with the Gaffney Manufactur- where to-morrow a quadruple ing Company. He is at present staying will be held. ecutive's Influence in the Proposi-tion to Reduce Southern Represen-on West Seventh street. His family Reward Offered for Capture faulting Cashier. ecutive's Influence in the Proposi- at the home of Mrs. J. P. McCombs

Thieves Enter Station-Agent Had \$300 and expenses has been a

Houston, Tex., Dec. 8 .- Station Agent faulting and fugitive Kelly, of the Missouri, Kansas & bank at Davisboro, Ga., Texas Railroad at Brookshire, who was alleged to be more than \$2 poisoned by unknown persons, died to- his accounts. The reward day. Thieves broke into the station by the officials of the bank day. Thieves broke into the station by the original of the office, stole ninety tickets, ransacked Potter is only 22 year, old, and carried away numerous merchan. 200 pounds and has light half a dise and express packages, attacked nyes. He is very popular, the express safe unsuccessfully, cut friends express surprise at his registered matter, and opened many

SLEEPING FAMILY KILLI

MURDER POLLOWED

Augusta, Ga., Dec. 4.--A The Chronicle from Ed

fair, if the general accepted t true that the victims were dered before the house was fir 5 o'clock this morning the r in the town, was discovered Neighbors rushed to the sceni fire had progressed so far that trance to the house was fr once inquiry was made as to whereabouts of the inmates, it

thought that they had made

cape in their night clothes. As a as the fire had died down su a fearful sens met the eyes of t beholders. There lay the charred are almost unrecognizable bodies of entire family, cine sting of Hughes, his wife, Eva, and two ye daughters, Emmie, aged 19, and Hat 14 years of age. Mr. Hughes' box lay just below where was situated to door leading from his room to the hall with a bullet hole through the empty chamber law near by. his charred clothes were on his p son, showing that he was dressed at his wife was on the bed springs, while thore of the young ladles were three were crushed as if hit with an axe or some blunt instrument. Their be when found occupied a most patur struggle, showing that they had been

the entire surrounding country was o "Under the directions of paneled, but as yet no testimony has been taken, it being thought best to wait further developments, It was icid three tracks were discovered lending from the field up to the year of the house. The county blood hounds were secured and put on the trail, but this effort has availed nothing. The horror is veiled in mystery. Every ternal evidence goes to show that t fired the bouse. Excitement runs but nothing rash will be done. U ward for the apprehension of the gull ty parties.

struck and done to death while asi

The news spread like wildfire and soon

PROBABLY HUGHES' OWN ACT.

Little Reason to Doubt That the band and Father First Mur-His Family and Then Comm

Columbia, S. C., Dec. *8.--B. E Hughes, aged 42 years; his wife, Eve about the same age, and two ters, Emily and Hattle, 19 and 15 ye of age, respectively, constituting an entire family, are dead at Trenton. Edgefield county, and no one remains to explain the mystery of the true Citizens of the town were arou impossible to enter the burning ing, and not until the fire had itself out and the walls had co dead. The bodies of the two their heads crushed in. lay near his right hand. Hughes was a merchant and farmer, supposed to be why he should have been mur as he was on good white and colored people of the c munity. The surrounding all point most strengly to Hughes

the murderer of his entire family to a subsequent suicide. The town of Trenton to-day was as

The charred remains will Mr. Wardlaw is a mill man of con- in coffins and taken this after siderable experience, through his con- the Baptist church of the

Macon Ga., Dev. 8,-A rethe capture of Maro S. Potter,