OSCAR IL OF SWEDEN DEAD

throng of Sweden Passes to the Passes of Sweden Passes to the Pown Prince Oscar Gustave and It Takes the Outh of Allegiance Inder the Title of Gustave V—ketch of the Dead Ruier.

had been awaited, while outside palace great crowds stood with ed heads and tearful eyes long afath of their loved sovereign,

When the flag on the palace was ipped to half-mast there was a moan f anguish from the assembled multide and many of them cried: "Our

dear old King is dead."
The following official bulletin was posted after the King's death: ae strength of the King continued to decrease throughout the night and the state of unconsciousness became more marked. His Majesty passed quietly away at 9:10 a. m." OLDEST SON NOW KING.

son of the late King. At a meetnces then took the oath of alleg-ce and the new monarch accepted homage of the State officials.

Mrs. Clinard heard the report of a

The last hours of the expiring monrch were passed in unconsciousness

the gentlemen of the King's court by his side, were aroused and ordered to appear. Sheriff J. E. Zigler was notified and at once in the bed chamber. The he consulted with the members of the Premier and Foreign Minister and the family in regard to the advisability of highest court officials, together with holding a coroner's inquest over all members of the King's family, as-sembled there and remained at his My. Clinard killed himself. side until the end came.

SKETCH OF HIS LIFE. The death of King Oscar is not extaken for the orderly passage of pow- the city. er to the hands of his able son and

the most interesting figures of Euro- able farm a few miles from the city. pean royalty, his descent from Napo-leon's great field marshal. Berna- A. M. and the burial will be with the dotte, his gigantic stature and his famfly connections with many of the other great houses of Europe combin- of Salem. He is survived by a wife ing to give him an interesting personality. His truly democratic habits have made him idolized by his subjects, who have regarded him more as a father than a monarch. It was King Oscar's devotion to the cause of peace that attracted the attention of both the United States and Great Britain when the two countries were agraph says:

A WISE RULER. Under King Oscar Sweden's stability and progress have been uniform until the events culminating in the recent separation of Norway. The final success of the separation movement was a grievous blow to the aged king. Both his pride and heart were wounded, and his constant brooding over this unhappy event doubtless con-tributed to his death. Politically,

however, neither Sweden nor Norway is likely to be disturbed by King Oscar's demise, since the recent storm between them has been wholly calmed and each has now adjusted itself to the new order of affairs. The new King Gustave much re-

sembles his father in gigantic stature and in light Saxon-blonde The young monarch is not unused to the affairs of State, as he has frequently acted as regent durthe illness and absence of father and has displayed good sense and ability. He is personally much liked here and at other capitals, where he is regarded as having his father's characteristics of sincerity and sim-

HIS ROYAL LINEAGE.

King Oscar II. was born January King Oscar I. and of Queen Josephine, and a grandson of Marshal Bernadotte. Oscar II. succeeded to the partment. The major part of the fur-throne at the deata of his brother, niture and other contents were ile-King Carl XV., September 18th, 1872. He was married June 6th, 1857, to Queen Sephia, daughter of the late Duke William, of Nassau. Four children survive King Oscar—Crown Prince Gustave, born June 16th, 1858; nce Oscar Bernadotte, born Ne-Jer 15th, 1859; Prince Carl, born hary 27th, 1861, and Prince Euc, born August 1st, 1865. Prince stave was married September 20th, 1881, to Princess Victoria, of Badentave, was married June 15th, 1905, ch 15th, 1888, Ebba Munck, of

King Oscar steadfastly opposed the man H. Treadway, of the Cleveland propositions of the Norwegian Parafter an appeal to the Norwegian ple. Prince Charles, of Denmark, elected King of Norway by the Parliament Noven

ARBITRATED SAMOAN CLAIMS. An event of international Impor-

Concer the Title of Gustave V—
Stockholm, Dec. 8.—Qscar II, King of the Dead Ruicr.

Sweden, died at 8:10 o'clock this wring. The death of the venerable march occurred in the royal apartimet of the palace, where, surroundby the members of his family, inding the aged Queen Sophia and the gustave V—

King Oscar was called the ablest ruler of the 19th century and the most democratic King that ever lived. He never made any attempt to conceal the humble origin of his family, and whenever he traveled to the south of France he made it a point to visit the little house at Pau, where his grandfather was born. In appearance, however, King Oscar was every inch a king and there is no sovereign in all Europe who was more stately ing the aged Queen Sophia and in all Europe who was more stately fority of the bodies brought to the Crown Prince, Oscar Gustave, and ministers of State, the inevitable had been awaited, while outside the condition of the condi subjects who, as a rule are tall men.

the announcement came of the DESPONDENCY CAUSES SUICIDE.

Financial Losses and the Inability to Meet Pressing Obligations Drive Mr. John Clinard, of Winston-Sa-jem, to Take His Own Life—Was a Man Well Thought of in His Com-

Special to The Observer. Winston-Salem, Dec. 8.—Brooding over financial losses and despondent because of his inability to meet pressing obligations, Mr. John Clinard, aged 45 years, a most highly-esteemed OLDEST SON NOW KING.

The succession to the throne of Winston, shot and killed himself at 8 veden now passes to Oscar Gustave o'clock this morning. The fatal shot dolphe, Duke of Vremland, the old-was fired in an outhouse in the yard at his home. Death was instantaneof the council of State this after- ous. The news of the suicide came as on, the new King took the oath of a great surprise to the relatives and seglance under the title of Gustave friends, and no one had noticed anyand adopted the motto "With the thing strange in the man. He appear-ople for the fatherland." The ed cheerful and bright and no mem-

pistol a few minutes before 8 o'clock. Two men who were standing out in and up to the end he gave no sign of front of the house also heard the rerecognizing those about him. The port of the revolver and ran to the Queen was grief-stricken because he outhouse, from whence came the could not bid her farewell. sound of the pistol. In response to Believing that death would not oc- a question he stated that the pistol until morning, the members of went off accidentally. Nothing more royal family and the cabinet was thought of the matter until a secministers withdrew and the physicians and report of the pistol was heard left their patient in the hands of the about 10 minutes later. The members nurses soon after midnight. Within of the family and the two men rushan hour or two the doctors were called again to the outhouse and found ed again to the sick room and admin- Mr. Clinard dead with a bullet hole istered further stimulants, but at 5:15 in his temple and the revolver lying

The remains were taken to the undertaking establishment of F. H. Vogter, in Salem, and prepared for burial, The funeral services will be held from pected to be followed by any serious the residence at 3 o'cock to-morrow men are destitute. These reports are disturbance of Sweden's political conditions. All precautions have been at Union church, two miles south of femilies. In addition to this the

Mr. Clinard was a hard-working, insuccessor, Oscar Gustave Adolph, dustrious kind of a fellow and to his Duke of Vermland, who will doubt-friends he appeared to be getting along splendidly. He less take the title of King Gustave. along splendidly. He conducted a King Oscar has long been one of store at Centreville and had a valuhonor of that order. The deceased was a brother of Mr. W .H .Clinard. and three children.

NEGRO KHAS OFFICER.

Marshal at Midville Murdered-Slayer Escapes to a Swamp. Macon, Ga., Dec. 8,-A special dis-

patch from Midville, Ga., to The Tel-Britain when the two countries were agraph says:

framing the Olney-Pauncefote general treaty of arbitration, the document naming King Oscar as final arbitrator should taose representing the two countries fail to agree.

A WISE BILLER

About 20 Victims were buried to-day in the three cemeteries near the town. The services were simple and brief, and except for the grief of the mourners, which at times became almost frantic, which at times became almost frantic, were without special feature.

On account of the fire in mine No. 8 and imminent danger of explosion in morning. The negro, without saying morning. The negro, without saying anything, pulled his gun and shot Brinson three times. Two of the bul lets lodged in Brinson's abdomen, and he died in a few minutes. The negro fied to the swamp and escaped. A spe-cial train with the sheriff's posse and bloodhounds left Millen, Ga., for the

> Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 8 .- A long distance telephone message from the sheriff at Millen, Ga., confirms the reported killing of the marshal at Midville by a negro. The sheriff stated that there had been no other trouble following the killing, but that a posse was in pursuit of the negro. Otherwise Midville is quiet to-night.

> METHODIST PARSONAGE BURNED Pastor's Home At Bethel M. E. Church, S. C., Destroyed With Most of Its Contents.

Special to The Observer. Chester, S. C., Dec. 8.—The Meth-odist parsonage, a handsome and commodious brick structure situated just at the rear at Bethel M. E. churck, was almost Jestroyed by fire this af-ternoon. The flames originated in a 21st, 1829. He was the third son of pile of straw under the front porch and quickly spread, despite the efforts of citizens and the local fire destroyed, although most of the valuable library of the pastor, Rev. M L Banks, who leaves Tuesday Darlington, was saved. The insurance on the building was \$3,000. The furniture was also partly insured.

Shipping Interests.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 8.—The Merchant Marine League is preparing for an active campaign to promote the upbuilding of the shipping interests and the beginning of renewed efforts to influence Congress and the country will be marked by a notable convention which will be held here on Description. Princess Margaret Victoria of Con-to influence Congress and the country ugat. Prince Oscar renounced his will be marked by a notable conven-Prince Oscar renounced his will be marked by a notable conven-on to the throne and married tion which will be held here on December 21st. Ex-Governor Myron T. Herrick will preside. After an address of welcome by President Lyment for a separate consular serv-which led to Norway. October Postmaster General; Truman H. New-905, declaring the union of berry, Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Norway dissolved. The John Barrett, director of the bureau one of Norway was offered to a of South American republics; Connec of the relating house of Swe-i, but was declined by King Oscar, J. G. Butler, Jr., of Youngstown, O.: J. G. Butler, Jr., of Youngstown, O.: F. E. Case, president of the Hardard Company of Canton; Lewis Nixon, of

RESCUERS RECOVER 53 BODIES

omrades in Bi —Again Drive to Investigate the Cause of the Explosion and Look After the Work of Rescue—Rescuing Party States That Many Bodies Have Been Located and Will Soon Be Brought to the Surface—Funerals of a Score of the Victims Yesterday.

Monongah, W. Vs., Dec. 8

Monongah, W. Va., Dec. 8.—But 63 odies had been recovered from sines Nos. 6 and 8, of the Fairmont Coal Company, when darkness closed over the little town of Monongah tonight. Fifty-six hours had elapsed since the awful explosion and a ma-

It is now believed that the number of dead will not be over 400. A thorough investigation was made by the company to-day and it was discovered that many miners believed to have been entombed had escaped because they had not gone to work Friday, after Thursday's holiday.

Shortly after 3 o'clock this afternoon fire broke out again in Mine No. 8 and the rescuers were at once ordered to the surface. Thousands of sightseers from the surrounding towns had gathered about the openings. Through open gaps the crowd was notified of the fire and the danger of an explosion, but they refused to leave- and it was with great difficulty that the special police, assisted by many miners, forced these pea-ple to seek places of safety.

Efforts were then directed toward extinguishing the fire and it is thought it will be subdued within a few hours, when the work of rescue be again taken up. It is said by members of the rescuing party that over one hundred bodies have been located in both mines and that they will be brought to the surface as soon as the fire has been extinguished. It is not believed the fire will reach any of these bodies.

Clarence Hall, of Washington, government mine expert, arrived at Monongah to-day. He will remain here until he can make a thorough investigation of the disaster, when he will return to Washington and report to the government. The reports of both Mr. Hall and State Inspector Paul as to the cause are awaited with great interest.

The system of rescue work was almost perfectly organized to-day and excellent results were obtained. Much headway was made into both mines and about 25 bodies were recovered during the late morning and early afternoor The following statement was issued

to-night by President C. W. Watson of the Fairment Coal Company: "There have been numerous reports that the families of the dead men are destitute. These reports are wrong. The Fairmont Coal Company families. In addition ladies of Monongah, Fairmont and other places have organized relief measures and are rendering effective assistance.

Heart-rending scenes and incidents rowded fast, one upon the other in this sorely afflicted mining community to-day. Funeral processions were in sight in all directions during the entire day. On the way to the cemeteries these sol-emn little processions were constantly meeting and passing vehicles coming from the mines, laden with the bodies of other victims en route to the morgue there to be placed in caskets and pre-pared for another series of funerals. In the town, families were mourning the death or absence of a loved one and on all sides were little groups of weeping women and children, oblivious to all

stirroundings.
About 20 victims were buried to-day in mine No. 6, all rescue work has been suspended for the night.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Nashville, Tenn., Machinist, Kills His Wife and Turns Gun on Himself. Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 8 .- Frank Click, a machinist, 25 years of age, to-day shot and killed his wife, Mrs. Ruth Click, and then shot himself through the head and now lies dying at the city hospital. The tragedy occurred on Bilbo avenue, in the home of a negress, where Mrs. Click had taken refuge. Domestic troubles are assigned as the cause. Mrs. Click was about 23 years old and had been divorced from a former husband. She and Click were married last July and went to Memphis to live. She returned to Nashville some two weeks ago, going to the home of her father, W. N. Bilbo, a wealthy real estate owner.

Click returned last night and at his request Mrs. Click met him this afternoon on Bilbo avenue, near the scene of the killing. After a brief conversation with him she suddenly ran with Click pursuing her. Her flight ended in the rear room of the dwelling of Sallie Hughes, colored, and there with no witnesses, shooting occurred.

WRECK IN MONTGOMERY YARDS

for An L. & N. Passenger Ditched by Half-Closed Switch and Several Trainmen Hurt.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 8.—Thrown from the main line by a half closed switch, a South-bound passenger train of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad

will die: W. H. Fisher, S. J. Blair and Harry S. Everett, all mail clerks, of Nashville, Tenn., badly cut and bruised. The train was going at a speed of about 25 miles an hour when the acci-

Citizen Soldiers Guarding Kentucky Town.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Dec. 5.—State Fire Marshal Mott Ayers is investi-gating the bugning of three business houses by "night riders" early Satur-J. G. Butler, Jr. of Youngstown, O. Fire Marshal Most Ayers is investigating the bugning of three business followed for the Harward Company of Canton; Lewis Nixon, of New York, and others.

Stranded Revenue Cutter Floated.

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San Domingo, Dec. 8.—The United States revenue cutter. Peorls, which strongeded at the entrance of the harman were killed in Tryon county by the daughter. Mrs. March and Mrs. F. P. Strander, Washington, Dec. 8.—Rear Admiral Robies D. Evans and party left for Old Point Comfort to-day where they will stay preparatory to the departure of the battleship fleet on its cruise to the Pacific ocean on December 16th. Accompanying Admiral Evans were his chief of itsaf. Captain Ingersoll, and naval aids. Commander Chandler, Mrs. Evans, the Admiral's bor on her arrival here yesterday, was Hopkinsville citizens who pursued the daughter. Mrs. March and Mrs. F. P.

THE DEAD PROBABLY 400 NEW YORK'S "BLUE" SUNDAY. THE TROUBLE AT GOLD FIELD

est Inhabitant Never Expected to See and Never Heard of Before— Aldermen Will Meet Tuesday to Modify Law.

New York, Dec. 8 .- New York, which can usually be depended upon to provide something new and sensational, to-day treated its millions of residents and tens of thousands of week-end visitors to the novelty of a thoroughly "blue" Sunday, the first and probably the last in the history of the metropolis. Few had expected to live to see the day. There have been more or tess "dry" Sunlays and Sundays without baseball, but the memory of the "oldest inhabitant" failed to recall a Sabbath here when one was compelled to choose between the churches and parks if he would jority of the bodies brought to the see or hear something to entertain him.

Incidentally the police department demonstrated that it was equally effective in enforcing obnoxious or popular statutes. The aldermen will meet Tuesday to modify the ordinances so far as their authority goes. Over in Brooklyn three proprietors of moving picture shows who had gone to the trouble of getting out in-junctions restraining the police from interfering with their business kept open, but with these exceptions the amusement promoters held to their avowed intention of resting their cases with the people, confident that public opinion would demand a modification of a law which prohibited all sorts of amusements on the Lord's

The effect of Sunday closing was everywhere apparent. Broadway was deserted except for those who find nothing better to do than to walk the The hush throughout the 'great white way" was painful to ears accustomed to week-day noises and Sunday narmonies.

Chicago Feels It Too.

Chicago, Dec. 8 .- New tactics were employed to-day by the Chicago law and order league in its attack on Sun-day saloons. Instead of collecting evidence merely, agents of the organization sought for violations of the law and then informed the policeman on lated and that it was his duty to aract by the patrolman was followed by warnings that the league would institute proceedings against him for neelect of duty.

The league's agents visited a number of saloons in the west and cen-tral parts of the city but reported no riolations of law except at the one place. The saloons visited included those of Aldermen John J. Brennan and Michael Kenna.

BAPTIST MINISTERS MEET.

Wilmington Churches Turned Over to the Visitors-Rev. J. B. Lynch Presches a Sermon That Elicits Special to The Observer.

to-night Buptist preachers occu the pulpits. Quite a number of State Convention remained here for these services and large congregations heard their messages. Rev. J. W. Lynch, who is the pastor

at Wake Forest and who is recognized Goldfield remains unanswered. as one of the strongest preachers in the Convention, preached in the First Baptist church this morning. text was the question of the Philipplan jailor to Paul and Shas, "What must I do to be saved?" and he handled his subject in an able manner, his termon eliciting high mendation from many of the ministers and others who heard him. He showed plainly and distinctly the distinction between belief and faith, emphasizing the fact that while belief resides in the intellect and acts automatically, faith is the trustful recognition of unseen reality and resides in the heart, goes farther than belief can possibly of November, so mysteriously disapgo, saving faith being the trustful recognition of the unseen God revealed in His son Jesus Christ,

the Young Men's Christian Association, members of the Convention speaking at all of these services. The remaining delegates will return

to their homes to-morrow, all of them expressing the pleasure they have enjoyed in the hospitable entertainment they have received and in the good have received from the Convention.

GLENN PREACHES TWICE.

The Duplin County Sunday School Association Hears Two Addresses by the Governor. Special to The Observer.

Warsaw, Dec. 8 .- About fifteen hundred people heard Governor Glenn in two strong addresses at Kenansville to-day, the occasion being the convention of the International Sunday School Association of Duplin county. The addresses of the Governor were along moral and religious lines; his subject in the morning being "What Shall North Carolina Do to Save Her Boys and Girls?" that in the after-noon, "North Carolina's Need of Strong Christian Young Men and Young Women." The Governor was at his best and the people of Duplin and adjoining counties showed their appreciation of his presence by their large attendance and by their rapt attention to his every word.

PACIFIC FLEET ASSEMBLING.

Fifteen Big Warships Now in Hamp-ton Roads—Social Function Before sailing Day.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 8 .- Three battleships were added to-day to the preparations for the meeting. number already assembles in ton Roads by the arrival of the Kansas City, Louisville, Denver and Kansas, Rhode Island and Connecti-Atlantic City, have been mentioned as cut, making a total of 15 ships of the fleet at the rendezvous.

The social function on the day of mobilization and review by President sevelt will be a naval ball, given in honor of Admiral Evans, staff and To-day thousands visited sels at anchor and incoming trains generally advocate June 2d. were loaded with visitors. It is ex-pected that on the 16th the crowd in attendance will be the largest in the

Admiral Evans Off.

TROOPS READY FOR BUSINESS

inted Mine Company's Detec tive Reports the Seizure of One Hun dred Rifles Which Had Been Hid den Presumably by Union Mmers— Attempt to Be Made Some Day This Week to Re-Open the Mines With Non-Union Miners—Colonel Rey-nolds Commanding the Troops, Declines to Go Into Details as to His Plans, But Declares the Troops Are Ready to Do Business-Under Sheriff Does Not Believe That the Union Miners Will Attempt to Make Any Trouble.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 8,-Captain Sage, of the Consolidated Mines Company's detective patrol, reported last night that he had selzed one hundred rifles that had been hidden presumably by union miners within a short distance of Goldfield.

This is presumed to be a part of the cache of arms and ammunition which the miners are represented to have collected during the last few days.

Captain William Cox, the represen tative of Governor Sparks in Goldfield, stated this evening that he had information from the mine owners' association that an attempt will be made during the week to re-open the mines here with non-union men. This information has been communicated to the Governor and is in the hands of Col. Alfred Reynolds, commanding the Federal troops now encamped in this city. TROOPS ENCAMPED.

There are now no companies of troops here, the second detachment from Monterey having gone into permanent camp on Combination Hill, within 300 yards of the mill of the Goldfield Consolidated Company. The first detachment which came from San Francisco remains in the camp established in the northwestern part of the town, a mile and a half from the nearest mine.

Colonel Reynolds, commanding all of the troops here, is quartered in a tent in the first camp and will remain there. He refuses to say whether he rest the alleged offender. Refusal to will detail soldiers to patrol the mines when the attempt is made to re-open; but merely states that the troops are here to preserve order, and that they are prepared to handle the situation. UNDER SHERIFF IN CHARGE.

Sheriff Ingalls, of Esmeralda county, in which Goldfield is located, has gone away to some distant mines and the sheriff's office is in the hands of Under Sheriff Bert Knight, who asserts that he is amply able to handle any crisis that may arise from the attempt to re-open the mines.

He has sworn in a dozen deputies. He characterizes the statements made by the mine owners that the union men are arming themselves and pre-Wilmington, Dec. S.—In almost paring to make trouble, as false, and every church in this city to-day and says that in his belief there will be no effort made to prevent the mir most able preachers in the Baptist owners from working the mines with whatever men they may employ.

A telegram, which the sheriff sent to Governor Sparks protesting against the presence of Federal troops in

BODY OF CUSHING FOUND.

Almost Hidden by Dense Undergrowth inLaurel Park Young Man Who Disappeared Nearly a Month Ago Found Dead Near Hendersonville-Cause of Death Not Established.

Hendersonville, Dec. 8 .- Lying face downward, with his clinched hands pressing into his face, the body of Alden Thomas Cushing, who on the 12th peared from the Hotel Gates, was found shortly before noon yesterday Special services were held in differ- by Southern Garren, almost hidden ent Sunday schools of the city and at by the dense undergrowth in a remote corner of Laurel Park. Beside the body lay his hat and a half emptled bottle, the contants of which have not been analyzed, and in his hip pocket was a 32-calibre bulldog revolver with all of its chambers loaded. The coroner was notified of the ghastly find and the body was removed to an undertaking establishment, where at 2:30 o'clock the inquest was held, the jury bringing in a verdict that the deceased came to his death from some cause unknown.

Mr. Cushing was a druggist and real estate dealer of Lancaster, N. Y., and was engaged to be married to a young lady of that city. He came to Hendersonville some months ago for his health, suffering from heart trouble that is thought to have caused his

TO MEET IN JUNE.

Democratic National Committee to Meet in Washington Thursday to Select Time and Place For Conven-

Washington, Dec. 8 .- The Democratic national committee will meet at the Arlington in this city next Thursday at noon for the purpose of selecting the place and time for folding the national Democratic convention next summer. Col. John I. Martin, of Missouri, the veteran sergeant-at-arms, is in the city making Several places, including Chicago.

candidates for the location and the 2d of June is now spoken of as the most probable date of the convention. A number of members of the com-

mittee have expressed the, opinion officers of the fleet at Old Point Com- that it is desirable that the Demothe cratic convention should be held in Roads to get a glimpse of the big advance of the Republican and they

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 8 .- A spe-Washington, Dec. 8.—Rear Admiral clai to The Express from Mexico

Merida yesterday. The exple nacienda, the

DETECTIVES LAND QUARRY.

Two Continents, Alleged Thief is Landed at Last.

New York, Dec. 8 .- Hunted for ear by detectives of two continents Arthur Newman, Charles Miller and other aliases, wanted in Richmond, Va., on charges of robbing two railroads of thousands of dollars worth of baggage, was brought back to this country to-day closely guarded by two detectives on board the steamship Lusitania. Re-garded as a dangerous and daring man, seven detectives went down the bay and met the Lusitania at quarantine, where Newman was placed aboard a railroad tug and hurried to Jersey City. The detectives from Richmond and four railroad officers. started late to-day with Newman for Richmond. Newman declared he would be a free man in a month. He two detectives keeping him under constant watch. Newman was arrested last September in London by Scotland Yard edetectives. His real name is said to be Charles Mil-

DEATH SAT AT THROTTLE.

With the Engineer Stark and Stiff at His Post Lehigh Valley Train Crashes Into a Freight.

Allentown, Pa., Dec. 8 .- Under conditions which seem to indicate that he was dead at the throttle, Calvin Frederick, an engineer on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, to-day ran his locomotive past a danger signal near Parryville and caused a wreck in which Richard Miller and Cyrus Young, brakemen, were dangerously, scalded. Frederick was en-gineer on a westbound freight train, which crashed into the rear end of another freight. After the wreck the engineer was found dead with hand on the throttle of the locomotive. The body was in such a position that Frederick could easily have extricated himself had he been alive at the time of the accident.

Police Chase Barney Oldfield.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Barney Oldfield and two companions in a racing automobile were chased through the down town streets by policemen in a large touring car early to-day and arrested after an exciting pursuit. Oldfield and a negro machini t were later released, but Wilson, owner of the machine, was held. The police charge that Oldfield and his companions were driving north in bills and resolutions. Michigan avenue at a furious rate and that they ran into and dem dished a

carriage, throwing its occupants to son's machine several blocks before tions in squadrons of four vessels the racing machine was caught. The each, all under command of Rear Adoccupants of the carriage were not miral Evans. Searchlight drills at severely hurt.

No Trace of Demented Woman and The fleet will sail for the Pacific on

Two Children. 1,000 persons engaged in a search today, under the direction of the police, for the two children of Mrs. Mary R. C. Ball, a demented woman, who dishome last Monday their fate remains the next Democratic national a mystery. Mrs. Ball was seen Tuesday morning in the vicinity of the reservoir in Avon, a neighboring town, but the children were not with her. and on account of her mental condition no clue to their whereabouts could be obtained. To-day's search yielded no trace of the missing children. One of them, Mary Grace, was 9 years old and the other, Thomas, was 7 years old.

Prominent Georgian Suicides in an

Unusual Way. Hawkinsville, Ga., Dec. 8 .- The body of Oscar Taylor, a prominent young man, was found this morning in the swamp below the city by a crowd of searchers. Taylor appeared from home last Tuesday and it was feared that he had taken his life. Before killing himself he crawled into a cypress log, made, a pillow of his coat and fired a bullet

into his heart. The body was in good state preservation, owing to the cold weather prevailing. No cause other than despondency is known for his

Culberson Announces the Personnel

of Two Committees. Washington, Dec. 8 .- Senator Culberson, of Texas, the Democratic dren. leader in the Senate, to-night announced the minority membership of the committee on committees and committee to prepare rules procedure for minority conferences as follows:

Committee on committees-Mesars. Money, Bacon, Martin, Tillman, Clarke, Stone, Simmons, Newlands and Culberson.

Committee to prepare rules of procedure for minority conferences— Messrs. Clarke, Daniel and Taliaferro

A Van Dyke Masterpiece Stolen From Belgium Church. Courtral, Belgium, Dec. 8 .- One of VanDyke's great masterpleces. Erection of the Cross," has been stolen from the Church of Notre Dame

The thieves carefully cut out the

canvass from the frame and carried it

away. They are believed to have speen experts, as special watchmen employed in guarding the treasures of the church, observed nothing. Big Mines to Shut Down. Butte, Mont., Dec. 8 .- Acting on instructions from New York all the mines of the Anaconda Company, the Butte and Boston Company and the Wasoo, the Parret and the Trenton Companies, will be closed. Operations of the Amalgamated Copper

Israel Zangwill Speaks on Territorial

Company will be confined to the properties of the Boston & Montana Company, which embraces the larg-

est mines in the Butte region.

Manchester, Dec. 8.—Israel Zangwill, president of the Jewish terriing to-night on the furtherance of territorial organization, mentioned the fact that 300,000 Jews were returning

clares that the reports that Ame-bassador Bryce will return from America and will be succeeded by The Hague, are without foundation, dock, the chauffeur

FOREGAST OF WEEKS NEWS

FINANCIAL DEBATE IN SENAT

ciai Crisis Will Probably Pred Long-Winded Debate—Jer nesday—Brownsville C day Report During the Hampton Ronds to be a Scene of Liveliest Interest Anent the As-sembling of the Pacific Fleet—Muci Interest in the Meeting of the Democratic National

The San Francisco Graft Trials. With the possibility of the opof the financial debate in the Senate, the gathering of the great warship squadron at Hampton Roads, prepara tory to departure for the Pacific; a meeting of the Democratic national was brought over as a second cabin committee at Washington, re-opening passenger and not once during the of the graft trials in San Francisco, committee at Washington, re-opening voyage was he permitted to be alone, the actual starting of the trial of George A. Pettibone, at Boise, Llaho, the annual meeting of the national civic federation, the annual meeting of the National League of baseball clubs at New York on the schedule, the week promises to be a busy one.

The prospect is good for the opening this week in the Senate of the financial debate. It will probably be sprung in connection with the resolutions of Senators Culberson and Clay calling upon the Secretary Treasury for information bearing upon the recent currency crisis, and much interest is felt in the course the controversy may take. That the Demo-crats would seek the first opportunity to open up the question has been understood right along, and it has only been a question as to the measure upon which they might base their

TILLMAN TO SPEAK.

Senator Tillman will introduce financial resolution during the week and will probably speak on it. Wednesday the Senate is promised speech by Jefferson Davis, the new Senator from Arkansas, who will Jiscuss the trusts and auggest a remedy for them. He regards all trusts as an evil and will advocate their annihila-

The report of the committee on military affairs relating to the Brownsville riots is promised dur-

ing the week. In the House little actual work can be done until the committees are ap-pointed and the present indications are that the speaker will not be able to announce them for several days. In the meantime nothing can be done in the House beyond the introduction of

Hampton Roads will be a scene of the liveliest interest throughout the week. The 16 battleships which make up the Pacific-bound Atlantic A boulevard policeman sprang into fleet, will rendezvous in the roadsted another automobile and chased Wil- on Monday and will make their stanight will be a picturesque feature of the fleet's stay at Hampton Roads.

Monday the 16th. One of the principal news events of the week will be the meeting of the Democratic national committee at Washington Thursday. The commitappeared with the children from her tee will decide the place and date of vention and from that time forward the presidential campaign of 1908 may be said to have taken definite form. It is expected that Kansas City and Denver will be bidders for the Democratic convention. just as they were for the gathering of Republican delegates. Kansas City expected to make an exceptionally strong bid and, as Chicago has already secured the Republican convention, the rivalry between the two cities

may not be so great. Interest in the San Francisco graft rials will be renewed Monday, when Patrick Calhoun, president of Inited Railways of that city and one of the most prominent men named as a defendant in the long series of prosecutions, will be called to the bar.

Theee Die by Fire in Boston. Boston, Dec. 8.—Three persons were burned to death and another injured during a fire to-day at 24 La Grange street. The dead Mrs. Mary Joubert and her two chil-

dren. Charles and Emily. Peter Joubert jumped from a window into a blanket, which gave way, and his leg was broken by striking the pavement. Later two other men were saved by jumping into life nets. Firemen found bodies of Mrs. Joubert and her chil-

Appeal to Red Cross. New York, Dec. 8 .- The New York branch, American Red Cross, has received from its central committee in Washington the following appeal of behalf of the families of what is said to be the greatest disaster in the history of American mining: "Branches of the American Red Cross are authorized to receive and

> "CHARLES L. MAGEE, "Secretary."

forward contributions for the fami-

lies of the dead miners of Monongah,

W. Va.

Big Steamships Collide in English Channel. London, Dec. 8.—Heavy gales in the channel and the dislocation of crechannel traffic resulted in a disastro channel traffic resulted in a disastron collision off Folkestone this morning to tween the Dutch steamer Scheldestro and the British bark Forfarshire. The Scheldestron was hadly damaged at was beached. The captain of the Dutch vessels together with 10 of the craw of tered a boat which was driven on the rocks and wrecked. Seven of the member of the captain, were drawn. Including the captain, were drowns. Those who remained aboard the steam were saved. The Forfarshire was all

Mr. I. C. Griffin Takes an Operation.

Special to The Observer.
Salisbury, Dec. 8.—Supt. I. Griffin, of the city graded school, is confined to the Whitehead-Stokes Sanatorium, where he took an op-tion with favorable results Friday ternaon. The school work goes under the direction of Mr. A. H. Jar-

Mayor Boyden yesterlay Twiddy Bostian bail for the stay of Frank Harris Monday night goes back to fall until February

Usual Sunday Auto Tra-New York, Dec. 8.—An unmana-Ambassador, Bryce to Remain,
London, Dec. 8.—The Tribune delares that the reports that Amassador Bryce will return from
Imperica and will be succeeded by
In Henry Howard, the minister at manager of a garage, and F