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un, May 16.—For the

recently organized grial Association. whose erect in the national monument to the whose who met their death February 15. Admiral Charles D. Signas in command of the to-night gave by rehere at of the Navy League Admiral Sigs-

d that patriotic Americans burs of the Navy abused beyond ordinary in recent times

made anathema for this Bull fights es Sunday, yet none who was made to "American

were on the Maine on in the destruction by ha his of the Russian has nothing to say," he reward might be better to ask captured. the Maine removed?" h detail as the only E WIRIAL FOR HAINS.

#### William F. Annis Will Be ed For Sentence Before Jusison To-Day.

slaughter in the first de-Ming William F. Annis at Yacht Plub, will be arsentence before Justice a the Supreme Court to-The maximum penalty is but the court may, at its impose a sentence of one neek, or one year, or even entence altagether, ill he a maximum for a room of their unburned houses.

Captain William A. N manding the United Significant or continuous iii be a motion for a new beato have the verdict mpt will be made to bring w release on tail, pending and as a last resort, the her heWitt will move

mediate sentence. DEAF AND DUMB GIRL. Legislature Educate Little May Prick,

rg, Pa., May 16 - Governor Moval of the appropriation ensylvania institution for and dumb at Mount Airy, delphia makes possible the eapnia, makes possible the at that place of Katharyn daughter of William this city. The child, who old, has been blind as well ad dumb since her fourth institution was sent to the Representative Tunis, of

firment with the and the bill re-called aded as to include \$2,000 a metroctor for the child. very bright, posay of the characteristics of This is the first time Pennsylvania has underbdyidual education of a

York Surgeon Dead. -Dr. Gerardus aged 65. ampson, and one of the in America to perration for the removal

# BERING THE MAINE BANDITS HOLD UP TRAIN GLASS DUTY EXORBITANT

DESCRIBES DISASTER LOOTED THE REGISTERED MAIL SIMMONS FAVORS A REDUCTION.

After They Had Secured an Unknown Amount and Started Engine and Mail Cars Back Towards Train at Rate of Twenty-Five Miles an Hour the Outlaws Made Their Escape Engine and Mail Cars Ban Into the Rest of the Train and Injured Eleven Passengers—It is Reported That the Robbers Secured as Much as \$20,000, But Hailroad Men Declare Amount is Not Known.

Spokane, Wash., May 16,-Follow ing the hold-up of a Great Northern passenger train by six bandits be-tween Colbert and Mead last night, 12 persons were injured when the locomotive and the mail car, cut off from the rest of the train, were run back wild by the bandits, after they had rifled the rest of the train.

The conductor saw the wild cars coming back at 25 miles an hour. He he- and another trainman placed a tle on the track, but the cars, though part-ly stopped, plunged into the coaches, practical standpoint. I recognize the throwing passengers from their seats, trainman sprang aboard the locomotive as the collision occurred and shut jority in Congress has been instructed off the steam, stopping the havoc,

When the train reached Colbert late last night, while the crew was busy with some switching two men sprang into the cab and thrusting revolvers ably, former experiences, against the breasts of the engineer precaution to accompany and firemen ordered them to do as commanded. The engineer and fireman complied and the mail cars were cut off from the rest of the train by four other robbers. The locomotive the country. and mail car then ran up the track turning a few miles. Then the engineer and laration of the Republican platform. his fireman were forced to leave the cab. Two of the robbers went to the door of the mail car and ordered it marily the question of difference in Their command was obeyed by Benjamin F. Stumpf, mail clerk, who was hurried away from the cars agree that we have any right in framwith the engineman by a dozen revolver shots.

the outlaws took the mail cars down wise. Every tariff ought to be levied the track and looted the registered trimarily for the purpose of raising Then they started the loco-It mail. motive back toward the rest of the train and escaped. Conductor C. L. issistance Robertson cut in a telegraph wire to send word to Spokane. While he was telegraphing, about a half hour country, so that each productive in-Maine's after the locomotive and the mail West for Havana car had disappeared, he saw the powerful locomotive careening towards the coaches, in which many were asleep. Many of the passengers knew nothing of the hold-up until awakened by the collision.

he called on the brakemen and porters to aid him. While the conductor that the foreigner can make cheaper and another man threw a 'tie across than we can and where the condithe track, a brakeman stood ready to tions of competition are obliviously board the cab as soon as the shock unequal I think in laying these of the collision checked the impetus duties we should so adjust them as to of the wild locomotive. None of the afford the largest incidental protection passengers was datally hurt.

Two special train loads of deputies and doctors were hurried from petition. In this way its burdens and Spokane. was found to-day.

While it is reported that the say the amount is not known. involved in similar held-nups.

One Trainman Injured.
St. Paul, Minn., May 16.—At the headquarters of the Great Northern ing this bill and who are responsible Railway, it is said to-day that six robbers held up westbound passenger train No. 3 just east of Morse, Wash., early to-day, cut off the postal car, ran it about two miles west and rifled the registered mail. The amount of booty is not known. Petroportorsk during the trainman was injured. The passengers were not molested.

The Great Northern has offered a of \$10,000 for each robber

## ARMENIANS FIRED UPON.

Moslems Attack a Band of Two Hundred, Who Had Started From Adana -Captain Marshall, of the North

Carolina, is Investigating.

Adana, Asiatic Turkey, May 16.—
we hundred Armenians, who started away from here yesterday, were fired on soon after their departure from the city by a band of Moslems. Armenians returned here panic strick-The military commissioners, however, gave assurances that the Armenians would be safeguarded and sent out patrols through the country. The police are taking active measto the Armenians

Captain William A. Marshall, com-manding the United States armored cruiser North Carolina, now at Mersina, and Edward I. Nathan, the sina, and Edward L. American consul at Patras, Greece, are now at Adana, engaged in an inis intense and there is still much suffering.

Will Restore Order.

Constantinople, May 16.—The American ambassador, John G. A. Laishman, has made representations to Ferid Pasha, the minister of the interior, on the importance of restoring order in Adana province so that the refugees crowded in the towns may return to their farms. Ferid PaPsha replied to-day, saying he would take additional steps to restore the confidence of the Armenians and give them protection in the country where needed.

Abdul Hamid's Women Driven From Palace.

Constantinople, May 16.—Eighty women from Abdul Hamid's harem, richly dressed and veiled, were driven in carriages to-day under the escort of four euriuchs and a troop of cavalry from the Yildis to the ancient Seraglio palace, which has been un-occupied since about 1824. Curious bystanders were driven away from the exit of the Yildiz palace by a guard of soldiers. Following the carriages was a train of wagons with baggage. The Yildiz is being made ready for the admission of the public. Most of the former Sultan's slaves have been freed.

Heinze Denies Relationship New York, May 16.—Otto Heinze said to-day that neither Charles L. Foxwell, who was arrested in Wash ington on Saturday for the alleged swindling of several mining companies, nor Foxwell's wife was a relative of his. He had never heard of the Foxwells, he said, until he read an account of the arrest in the

The North Carolina Senator Declares That the American Manufactures Should Be Protected Against Unequal Foreign Competition, But at the Same Time Duties Should Not Be Made Three or Four Times Greater Than the Cost of Labor-Overproduction a Fosterer of Trusts —Necessaries of Life Should Bear the Lightest Duties Possible—Bill to Enlarge Charlotte Postoffice.

BY H. E. C. BRYANT.

Observer Bureau, Congress Hall Hotel, Washington, May 16.

The views expressed by Senator Simmons in his speech Wednesday on the glass schedule, will interest many of his constituents. Among other things he said:

"Now, Mr. President, I am trying conditions that exist. I know that utting them with broken glass. A this is going to be a Republican bill and I know that the Republican maby the people it represents to make it protective measure. But while this is true, it is also true that the Republican masses, having in view, prob-ably, former experiences, took the precaution to accompany their instruction and command with a specific definition of what they regarded as the measure of protection which should be accorded the industries of

"I do not agree with the tariff dec-I do not think we have a right in levying tariff duties to consider priindustrial and economical conditions here and abroad. Especially I do not ing a tariff bill to guarantee the industries of the country a profit of any Manning the locomotive themselves killd, whether reasonable or otherrevenue to support the government It ought to rest as lightly as possible upon the necessaries of life and it ought to be distributed as much as dustry will bear its part of the burden and receive its part of the incldental benefits of tariff taxation.

INDUSTRIES SHOULD BE PRO-TECTED.

"I do not advocate free trade, on the contrary, I believe in levying these As soon as Conductor Robertson duties for the purpose of raising this realized that a collision was imminent revenue, and we should not lose sight of the fact that there are many things to those things which most need to be secured against unequal foreign com-No trace of the rebbers benefits can, in some degree, be dis-

tributed and counterbalanced. But, as I said, Mr. President, we | turn of Foxwell dits obtained as much as \$20,000, are framing a bill, not upon Demoattendance at the railroad officers and mail inspectors cratic principles, but upon Republic One can principles, and in the discussion sage that Foxwell while living there fight were injured of the bandits, who entered the cab, of these schedules we cannot lose was more than six feet tall and evi- sight of this fact without running the and stated that he faced dently an experienced engineer. As risk of bringing about a discriminathe two robbers entered the cab, this tion against certain industries and man said. "You have heard of us be-

> for it, make a protective measure, I have no right to complain, because that will be in accordance with the instructions they have received from the people. We have no right to expeot anything else. But when it is proposed to levy duties, as in the case of the paragraph now under considcration, which violates every known principle of tariff taxation, which raises no revenue, which imposes duties from four to five times higher than are needed for the purpose of protection according to the Republican def lition, of the amount of protection the industries of the country Democratic State which does not believe in the protective system, to protest; and all the people, whether Democrat or Republican, have a right

EVILS OF OVERPRODUCTION. What is the result, Mr. President of a duty which is not only four or five times the difference between the labor cost here and abroad, but two or three times greater than the total labor cost, either here or abroad? I cannot answer this question better than to repeat the declaration of Mr. H. E. Miles, one of the largest manufacturers and best informed men of the country upon the subject of the tariff, a Republican and a protecvestigation of conditions. The heat tionist, when he declared during the last campaign, and I think again in his testimony before the ways and means committee of the House, that when manufacturers are given a larger amount of protection than is reeded to cover the difference between the cost of production here and abroad they regard the action of Congress in voting them this unnecessary duty as an invitation to them to put their product in a trust, suppress domestic competition, and advance the price of their product to the full amount of the duty.

"The schedule we are now considering illustrates this condition—the proposed duty, as Mr. Bache says, is four or five times greater than the difference between the labor cost here and abroad. Upon the smaller sizes it proposes a duty of 3 per cent, more than the total cost, labor and mate rial abroad; upon the larger sizes, 37 per cent. more than the total cost,

labor and material, abroad.

"The manufacturers of this charse ter of glass are not now in a trust, but with this inducement and invitation it is almost certain that sooner or later they will follow the example of the plate-glass manufacturers exploit the American producer to the limit of the duty by the imposition and exaction of exorbitant and moropolistic prices. Of course, President, the man who will suffer is the ultimate consumer. He not only pays a tax to the domestic producer the price is advanced as a re-

"From any standpoint, the rate ing Company, was destroyed by fire under discussion is indefensible. It is this morning. The loss is estimated not needed for revenue, because it will at \$20,000, practically covered by in-

sult of overprotection.

capital or labor against foreign competition, because it is several times in excess of the difference in the cost of this product here and abroad. ought to be reduced, and heavily reduced.

"In the amendment I have offered I have adopted the rate of duty suggested by the West Virginia manufacturer of glass, to whom I have just referred, not because I thought the duty suggested by him was enough, but because I thought the Republican party would at least ba willing to accept the suggestion of a manufacturer of this product as to the amount of duty which, in his judgment, would be amply sufficient to secure him against unequal foreign

"The reduction proposed in my only amounts to about 25 per cent. to make so great a reduction as that. | sermons were preached. I believe that a duty of 25 per cent. upon this product would afford abunpublican standpoint, and it is doubtful whether, even with a duty no considerable importations with result; ing revenue to the government."

CHARLOTTE POSTOFFICE BILL Following is the text of the bill introduced by Mr. Webb to provide for the enlarging and improving of the Charlotte postoffice:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled. That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, directed to cause the United States Building at Charlotte, North Carolina, to be extended and enlarged so as to provide necessary and convenient accommodations for the business of the United States postoffice and United States court at that point, and that the total cost of all extensions, enlargements, improvements, changes of \$125,000: provided, that the sum of \$125,000 is hereby appropriated. out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose aforesaid.

"Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from its passage."

## WARRANT FOR FOXWELL

Broker in Mining Stocks, Who is Charged With Irregular Dealings With Eastern Mining Companies, Will Be Taken to Boston Probably.

Washington, May 16 .- Charles L. Foxwell, a broker in mining stocks, said to be a relative of F. Augustus Heinze, of New York, who was arrested here yesterday, for alleged irregular dealings with a number of Eastern mining companies which were relieved of vast sums of money ranging from \$30,000 up, probably will be back to Boston for hearing early this week. Whether he will resist extradition cannot be learned.

The Boston authorities to-day telegraphed that a warrant for the re-Massachusetts would be obtained Monday. The Boston police indicated in their mesbore the alias "Charles L. Copeland" charges in that city.

Foxwell, who is 56 years old, has resided here a year, living in lavish fore," indicating that they had been creasing, increasing the inequalities style in fashionable apartments. He in the burdens and benefits of the sat dejectedly to-night in his dark cell.

Mrs. Foxwell, a beautiful woman probably 25 years of age, visited her husband to-day and took him some delicacies. She also handed him a couple of telegrams. She talked with Foxwell through the bars for half an hour and upon leaving waved aside the reporters.

The Forwells have taken a lively interest in society here. They were fares in a handsome touring car, occupied boxes at the leading theatres, entertained at suppers in the downfashionable functions.

The detectives to-day were

## BRANDENBURG IN NEW YORK.

With Grand Larceny For Sale of Cleveland Letter, Declares He Will Get Out of All of His Troubles.

New York, May 16 .- Broughton Brandenburg, the magazine writer, whose troubles quickly followed the publication of a letter in The New York Times last fall, said to have union, which will meet in Memphis been written by the late Grover Cleve- on June 8, 9 and 10 and all indicaland, is a prisoner in New York to-

Despite his varied experiences and the hardships he says he has undergone since his indictment for grand larceny for the sale of the Cleveland letter, he is as anxious to explain his actions as he was in San Francisco. He gave out a statement to-night, giving an explanation of why he left York and a declaration of his intention to fix unquestionably the legality of his marriage with his second wife, an incident, which indirectly added further interest to career, through his admitted abduction of his second wife's son, James Sheppard Cabanne, 3d, of St. Louis. He says that "the immediate future is going to be interesting hands." He says he is with He says he is without money and does not expect ball, and perhaps may be forced to do without counsel. He says he intends:

"First, to meet the charges in refrence to the Cleveland letter. Second, to secure out of the bad tangle of this country's divorce which we are involved, an unquestioned legality of the marriage status between the second Mrs. Brandenburg and myself. Third, the ultimate recovery of our boy."

Forty Cases Bubonic Plague Weckly. Amoy, China, May 16.—Official setimates place the number of cases of bubonic plague in Amoy at about forty weekly. There is a severe epidemic at several of the interior

Carrabelle, Fla., May 16,-The building occupied by the Gulf Trad-

# It is not needed to protect American BAPTIST MINISTERS TALK SEABOARD LOSES BY FIRE FORECASTOF WEEK'S NEWS

Many Notable Sermons Preached by

FILL ALL LOUISVILLE PULPTTS.

Visiting Members of Prominence in Attendance on the Southern Bap-tist Convention—Mass Meeting Held in Broadway Church as a Memorial Service For the Ministers, Mission-aries and Prominent Laymen, Who Died During Past eYar—Meeting of Those Interested in the Laymen's Movement Held in Convention Hall -Convention Will Hold Its Meeting in Baltimore in May, 1910. Louisville, Ky., May 16.-With nearly all of the pulpits in Louisville filled by visiting ministers of prominence at both morning and evening services and four huge mass meetings to engage the attention of Louisville church-goers as well as the visitors, amendment is a moderate one—it Sunday for those attending the South ern Baptist Convention brought no It ought to be reduced more than slackening of the zeal which the gathtwice that amount, but, Mr. President, ering has aroused. Full churches, as I said, I am seeking results, and I many of them overflowing, were the knew it was useless to ask this body rule everywhere and many notable

Of the mass meetings, the one held at the Broadway Baptist church as a dant protection, even from the Re- memorial service for the ministers, missionaries and prominent laymen have died during the past year greater than that, there will be any probably attracted the most attention. There was a long roster of distinguished dead and for the memory of each, there was full tribute of praise. The meeting of those interested in the laymen's missionary movement at the main convention hall this afternoon, was largely attended, ad-dresses delivered by the Rev. B. R. Gray, secretary of the Home Mission Board; E. W. Stephens and Henry R. Pollard, of Richmond, Va., being the features of a two-hour session.

An afternoon meeting in the interest of the Woman's Missionary Unwas held at the First Preabyterian church, when reviews of the work in the home and foreign fields were given by the secretaries of the two divisions. An evangelistic conference at the Walnut Street Baptist church, addresses by W. W. Hamil-ton, Luther Little, George W. Mc-Daniel and Len G. Broughton and repairs shall not exceed the sum brought the day's services to a close.

The Convention will meet in Baltimore, Md., next year on May 20. Miscellaneous unfinished business will be wound up at to-morrow's sessions of the convention and final adjournment

## INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION.

Lake Mohonk Conference Convenes on Wednesday and Continues Through Friday—Many Prominent Men Will Make Addresses, Governor Ansel, of South Carolina, Among the Number.

Lake Mohonk, N. Y., May 16 .- The fifteenth annual meeting of the Lake Mohonk Conference on International Arbitration will convene here Wednesday and continue through Friday. President Butler, of Columble University, will preside and more than 300 educators, diplomats, army and navy men, diergymen, editors, business and professional men will at-

Among the sessions will be one deone to the business men's movement for international arbitration. Some last night. The killing occurred in the 60 chambers of commerce and sim- Sprattville section of the town through ilar business organizations will be represented.

Among the addresses will be one by Dean Kirchwey, of the Columbia law school, on "The Systematic Study of Limitation of Armaments." While it is given out that the discussion of this paper is to be "strictly international in character, that it is without direct invective against any one nation's particular naval policy," vious experience at Mohonk Conferences has shown that there is abundant chance for an opening of the ginger jar, when the question of limiting armaments comes up.

British Ambassador James Bryce and Dr. Wu Ting-fang, the Chinese seen often on the principal thorough- minister, are to address the conference, and probably Count Bernstorff. the German ambassador.

Among the well-known men who town hotels and were often hosts at are to participate in the conference, are Senor Don Ignacio Galderon, the en- Bolivian minister; ex-Governor Mongaged in a further investigation of tague, of Virginia; Governor Ansel, the case but late to-night, the au- of South Carolina; Representatives are entitled to receive, I have a right, thorities are yet unadvised as to the Bartholdt, of Missouri; Perkins, of as a minority Senator, representing extent of the broker's business opera- New York, and Plumley, of Vermont; tions in this city. The charge against ex-Governor Francis, of Missouri; Foxwell of being a fugitive of justice Rear Admirals John P. Merrell and remains unchanged on the police C. H. Stockton, U. S. N.; ex-Ambassador Andrew D. White, Ithaca, and a number of college presidents.

Memphis is Ready For the Annual Gathering of Dixle's Heroes June 8, 9 and 10. Memphis, Tenn., May 16.-An-

nouncement is made by the general executive committee that all in readiness for the Confederate retions point to one of the most sucessful gatherings in the history of the organization.

All Confederate veterans, who desire free accommodations, will be cared for in a general manner. general committee makes announcement that food, lodging and medical attendance will be provided for each and every old soldier, who shall make his wants known.

Chairman W. R. Barksdale, of the hotel committee, said to-night that no advance in hotel rates will be made. Automobile races will be held daily at the fair grounds and other amusements have been provided.

The social feature of the gathering

will be the sponsors' ball to be given in the large auditorium building at the east end.

#### TOWN STREWN WITH WRECKAGE aDmage Wrought by Saturday's Saturday's Tornado Will Reach Up-\$40,000—Twenty-Five

Families Homeless. Fowlerville, Mich., May 16.—This town and surrounding country for a radius of two miles is to-day strewn with wreckage, with probably 25 families homeless. The damage, wrought by Saturday afternoon's tornado, which almost completely razed this section, will reach upwards of \$40,000. Telephone and telegraph wires were torn down and not until late to-day was communication with the outside world possible.

A conservative estimate places the number of buildings damaged or de-This may be inmolished at 250. creased when all districts are heard from. Dwellings were unroofed, barns and out-buildings demolished. orchards uprooted and boards and trees carried for several rods in the

GENERAL WAREHOUSE BURNED.

Flames Gained Rapid Headway and For a Time It Appeared That All of the Buildings Located in the Seaboard's Repair and Construction Yards Would Be Burned—Fire Was Accompanied by a Tremendous Explosion, Which Endangered the Lives of the Firemen-Four Spec-tators Were Hurt, One Seriously-Between 50 and 60 Freight Cars, Many of Them Loaded, Also Burn-ed—Loss Between \$190,000 and \$150,000.

Portsmouth, Va., May 16 .- Fire of unknown origin, accompanied by an explosion, destroyed the general warehouse of the Seaboard Air Line Railway at the railroad terminals here early to-day, entailing a loss of from \$160,000 to \$150,000, and resulting in the injury of four men, one being seriously hurt. The injured are:

FIREMAN WALTER BISSETT, struck by flying brick, seriously hurt. NIGHT YARDMASTER MATHE-SON, nose badly out and back in-

TOM SELLERS, colored, cut about the head. Unknown white man, teeth knock-

ed out. Between 50 and 60 freight many of them loaded, also were burn-ed. The fire gained rapid headway and for a time it appeared that all of the buildings located in the Seaboard's repair and construction yards would be consumed. Soon after the Ports-mouth fire department arrived on the scene a tremendous explosion within the stores house, a brick structure, followed by several smaller ones, sent bricks and burning timbers flying in every direction, greatly endangering the lives of the fire fighters and others, who had gathered on the scene.

Whether it was a large tank of acid or a quantity of dynamite stores used in construction work on the railroad which exploded, is a matter of doubt but the shock, which ensued from the first explosion, was felt within a radius of five miles, even rattling windows in Norfolk on the opposite of the Elizabeth river. The officials of the company attribute the explosion to a quantity of stored torpedoes.

burnt store house contained general supplies for the entire Sea-board system and the loss upon the building and its general contents alone is placed at \$90,000. The fire was confined to the store house and cars, the latter being ignited by burning timbers from the store hurled upon the roofs by the force of the explosion.

The firemen were greatly handicapped in subduing the flames, it is said, because the department's hose would not fit the railroad hydrants. Three of the injured men were taken to the King's Daughters' Hospital. All, probably, will recover.

## OFFICER SHOOTS NEGRO.

Chief of Police Potts, of Fort Mill, S. C., Shoots Unruly Negro Dead in His Tracks, the Shooting Being in Self-Defense.

Special to The Observer. Fort Mill, S. C., May 16.-Chief of Po-Potts shot and instantly ed Jack Jackson, colored, at 19:39 o'clock which the negro was passing en route to his home at Grattan.

Jackson had been drinking and oursin on the streets and was overtaken by Officer Potts at the point mentioned above. When arrested the negro, a burly man of 200 pounds, agreed to return with Mr. Potts, but had gone only a few steps when with great force seized the officer and threw him to the ground. Mr. Potts reached for his pistol and this was seized by the drunken negro. The officer then pulled another gun from his pocket and the negro also attempted to wrench this from his hand. The two were again on foot, and engaged in a lively tussic for ossession of the weapon, when Officer Potts finally felt Jackson's grip slacken and jerked one of the pistols, a 38-calibro Smith & Wesson, from the negro's hand, With this the officer fired four shots, two of which struck Jackson. One bullet entered the heart and another lodged in the shoulder. Jackson fell dead in the

Jackson was a powerful man, while Officer Potts regrets very much the necessity of having to shoot the negro, it was nursly a case of self-defence. county coroner is expected to hold an in-

## MISSISSIPPI AT NATCHEZ.

Elaborate Preparations Being For the Stay of the Battleship in That Port. Natchez, Miss., May 16 .- If there

had been any doubt as to the stage of the water in the Mississippi river for the trip of the battleship of that name to Natchez, it would be removed by the forecast issued to-day by Section Director Belden, of the United States Weather Bureau at Vicksburz, who predicts a stage of close to 43 feet at Vicksburg May 24, which means a stage of 44 feet at Natchez as late as May 26.

The battleship will arrive here on Friday evening at 6 o'clock and leave on its return to the gulf Tuesday, May

 at 5 a. m.
 Natchez is making elaborate prepaations for the celebration of the bat-Heship's stay in this port. Governor Patterson, of Sanders, of Louisiana: Governor Noel. of Mississippi; Mayor Martin Behrman, of New Orleans, and United States Senator-elect John Sharp Williams will be among the distinguished visitors to take part in the celebra-

#### Chester Church Calls Newberry Pastor.

Special to The Observer. Chester, S. C., May 16 .- At a meeting of the congregation of the Assolate Reformed Presbyterian church this morning it was decided to call Rev. D. G. Phillips, of Newberry to the pastorate of the church, to fill the place made vacant by the death of Rev. C. E. McDonald on April 23. of Rev. C. E. McDonald on April 23. Paris. The police caught one of the Mr. Phillips is regarded as one of the men red handed, but the others coleading ministers of the Associate Reform Presbyterian Church, and it is of wire cutting in the provinces. Oil hoped by the congregation here that and other fluids have been poured inhe will accept the call that will be placed in his hands.

Wagner Arrested on Perjury Charge. St. Louis, Mio., May 16 .- Frank P. Wagner, who recently testified before the senatorial investigating commitsemblymen and two others in a "money deal" and whose testimony was arranged on the same basis as later pronounced false by the committee, was arrested to-day on a warrant exuela. It provides for the arbitra-issued by District Attorney Dernon tien of claims of French citizens Mason, charging perjury.

FEW EVENTS OF IMPORTANCE

Fourteenth Annual Convention National Association of the National Association of Manufacturers Will Be Held in New York, Beginning To-Day—An Effort Will Be Made to Retain President Van Cleave in Office—Conference on Industrial Arbitration Begins at Lake Mohonk on Wednesday—President Taft to Speak in Charlotte on Thursday—Representatives of Cotton Seed Oil Industry to Mete—Forecast of the Week in Congress, Baginning to moreon the daily sit-

Beginning to-morrow, the daily sit-ings of the Senate will commence at 10 o'clock instead of 11 as during the past few weeks and 12 ordinarily. The hour has been advanced in the hope of expediting final action on the tariff bill. The consideration of the measure has developed greater orposition . 1 the part of a dozen of so of Republican Senators than expected, and the supporters of the bill feel that every possible effort must be made to exhaust their criticism and oring the bill to a vote. The Republican leaders are quite in the dark as to when the end may be reached. Indeed they are finding less difficulty on that point in dealing with the Democrats than in dealing with the independent members their own party.

The discussion this week will deal with the various paragraphs of the bill, which have been passed over, but there will be a few speeches ou the general tariff question, including one by Senator Depew, to be deliver-ed to-morrow. Senator Clay has prepared and will deliver, probably on Tuesday, an elaborate speech criti-claing the sugar schedule and undertaking to show that it is in the interest of the sugar combinations. Senator Simmons will continue his effort to have the rate on sugar lowered.

Senator Bailey will continue to press his demand for a vote on the income tax. The general opinion among supporters of such a tax is that the case in the Senate has been materially weakened by the decision of the President not to press for the tax. Nevertheless, Mr. Bailey force the Senate to a vote on the question if he can do so.

In the House an attempt will be made to pass the Philippine tariff bill on Monday and the Porto Rican bill on Thursday. The latter mess-ure will be reported to-morrow. Both bills will arouse discussion, but it is not believed that there will be any stubborn opposition to either.

Interest attaches to the fourteenth annual convention of the National Association of Manufacturers to be held in New York during three days, beginning on Monday because a new president of the association will be chosen. President James W. Van Cleave desires to retire, but because of the pending tariff measure it is probable that an effort will be made to retain him in office.

The National Guard Association of the United States will meet at Los Angeles this week, beginning Monday. The association includes in its membership the adjutant-generals of all the States. Assistant Secretary of War Oliver is expected to be present. will be the meeting, opening in Mem-

phis on Tuesday, of representatives of the cotton seed oil industry. The sessions will continue three days. conference on industrial erbitration will begin at Lake Mohonk, N. Y. On the same day, President Taft speak at the unveiling of a monument to Pennsylvania soldiers at Petersburg, Va. Wednesday also will be notable in that on that day President Eliot formally retires from the presidency of Harvard University.

An important religious gathering will be that of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, which convenes on Thursday at Denver. President Taft's public engage-ments for this week include his attendance at the Mecklenburg celebration at Charlotte on Thursday.

The second of the American warships to reach Asiatic waters since the outbreak of the anti-Christian rioting a month ago, the cruiser Montana, is due at Alexandretta Monday. She will co-operate with the cruiser North Carolina which arrived at Mersina Thursday.

The situation in Turkey is much improved. The rioting is at an end and it is now principally a question of caring for the afflicted.

Walter Wellman will leave Chris tiansand, Norway, Thursday, in the three-masted schooner Arctic for Spitzbergen, from which point, he will begin in August his third attempt to reach the North Pole by airship. On Tuesday King Alfonso will inaugurate at Valencia, the Reginal Ex-

position.
Theodore Roosevelt is now resting at George McMillan's ranch in British East Africa. He will resume shooting expeditions from the ranch house as a base on Monday

The annual meeting of the Permanent International Association Navigation Congresses will be held in

#### Brussels Monday. POSTAL STRIKE IS DEAD.

Only Four Hundred Men Out They Will Probably Return to Work To-Day-Strikers Resort to Destructive Measures.

Paris, May 16 .- The postal strike is now practically dead. The gov-ernment officials announce that only 400 men are out, and these are pected to return to-morrow morning At a meeting to-night, 3,000 postal employes listened to violent harangues from the labor leaders, who prophesled that grave events would to-morrow in the direction of action by the outside unions. A resolution was adopted that the struggle be con-

tinued to a finish. The desperation of the strike is ers is evidenced by the fact that de-structive measures are now being carried out, following recent threats. A gang in an automobile to-day cut thirty of the chief outgoing cables at various points on the outskirts of caped. There have been sevaral cases to letter boxes, in one instance the oil being set on fire and many letters destroyed.

# Franco-Venezuelan Protocal Arrang-ed.

Paris, May 16 .- The Franco-Ventee at Madison, implicating three As- exuelan protocol, for the re-establish-semblymen and two others in a "mon-ment of diplomatic relations, has been against Venesuela