

Convention.

to Them

adopted by the convention today.

will be followed by a strike is prob-

course. When Mitchell was asked what

would be the result of the operators'

has done practically nothing of general

returns give the . opulation of India as

294,000,000, an increase in the last de-

cade of 7,000,000. Deducting the popu-

lation of the Baluchistum, Shaustake,

"CONFIDENTIAL" STATEMENT

House of Commons Will Take Steps to

Discipline it.

joint conference he replied evasively.

FAMINES HAVE REDUCED

Strike May Result in Anthracite Re- Awoke to Find Himself Surrounded gion if a Refusal is Returned by Acres of Five-Supposed

#### Incendiarism.

Mobila. March 15.-News has reached Hazleton, March 15 .- The failure of here that a big turpentine camp located the mine operators to appear at the miners convention today evidenly netin Baldwin county was burned this morning, and sixty people, mostly coltled the men, for at the conclusion of today's session telegrams were sent to ored, are supposed to have perished. presidents of nine coal carrying roads So far as known only one man escaped. demanding that the anthracite opera-He is so terribly burned he could hardtors meet the delegates in joint conly tell his story. His name is Frank Pressler, a white cutler employed in the ference homorrow for the purpose of discussing the wage scale. The telecamp. He says all hands were guartered in a long frame building, which grams were signed by Mitchell and Secretary Gallagher and were sent in acburned like tinder. cordance with a resolution unanticously

Tressler was awakened by the intense heat and cackling of the timbers around him. The room in which he had Whether or not the falure to comply slept was filled with dense smoke and lematical. It is understood the -ounghe owes his escape to the fact that he er or radical element are claroring for was near the door. When he got out a strike, while the conservative element he shouted to the other inmates but led by Mitchell favor a less drastic heard no replies. He didn't have much time because the timber all around was burning and he realized that his only not complying with the request for a safety lay in reaching a nearby swamp. He says he had to make his way though The convention at to-day's session has a sheet of flames befor reaching the swamp and because of this received frightful burns, from which he is suffering.

When Pressler reached the swamp he lay down in a pool of water and fainted. Subsequently he secured a canoe and crossed the bay to this city. He is p sitive most of the workers in the camp were burned.

He thinks three negroes who were expelled from the camp yesterday set fire

## **MILITARY DESERTERS COMMIT DEPREDATIONS**

### Making Trouble Betwen Pekin and Tien Tsin.

Pekin, March 15 .- It is reported that a large band of military deserters of different ationalities are committing depredations between Pekin and Tien Tsin. A small squad of Germans encountered the band and were compelled to retire. British cavalry have been dispatched to usperse the marauders.

WILL J. J. JOHNSON SUCCEED **ATTORNEY GENERAL GRIGGS** Philadelphia, March 15.-A report is

in circulation in this city that John J. Johnson, a leading member of the Philadelphia bar, and one of the most prominent lawyers in this country, has ceed Attorney General Griggs.

where it will lie in state until Saturday night.

The funeral services Sunday will be in charge of the family and will be unostentatious.

Senator Fairbanks is here and Senator Beveridge will arrive tonight. Nearly all the Indiana congressmen will be here and distinguished men from all over the country will come. The business houses of the city are

tolay draped in mouring, the suggestion for this mark of respect having been made by the Merchants' association and Mayor Taggart. All flags remain at half mast. From noon until 2 o'clock tomorrow business will be discontinued.

John W. Foster, who was secretary of state in Gen. Harrisons cabinet, tele-

graphed Mrs. Harrison today from California that it would be impossible for him to reach the city in time for the funeral. It had been hoped that he would be able to come and officiate as one of the honorary pallbearers. Senator S. B. Elkins, who was secretary of war under Harrison's administration, also telegraphed today that on account of Mrs. Elkins' illness he may not be able to come for the funeral. He was also expected to be one of the honorary pallbearers.

All of the Harrison family and relatives who will be here for the funeral have now arrived, with the exception of Lieut.-Commander John F. Parker, and Mrs., Parker, who are en route from California and will reach this city some time tomorrow afternoon or evening. Mrs. Parker is a sister of Mrs. Harrison, and during their stay in the city the Parkers will be entertained at the Harrison home. Those now here are: Col. Russell B. Harrison, the general's son, Mrs. Harrison and their son. William Henry Harrison; Mrs Mary Harrison McKee, the general's daughter; John Scott Harrison, the general's brother: Carter B. Harrison, second brother; Mrs. Anna Morris one of the general's sisters, and Mrs. Betty E. Eaton. another sister.

All of the members of Gen. Harrison's cabinet who can attend the funeral will be asked to officiate as honorary pallbearers, and all who can be there will acept the honor. Gen. Benjamin F. Tracy of New York, ex-secretary of the navy; ex-Secretary of the Treasury Charles Fostor: ex-Postmaster General John G. Wannamaker of Philadelphia, and ex-Secretary of the Interior Gen.

John W. Noble of St. Louis, have sent word that they will be here for the Sumeral, and they, together with ex-Attorney General W. H. H. Miller of this city will constitute part of the honorary pallbearers.

day and will be the guest of Gov.

Inside the church the east wall where the entrance is, will be draped with heavy festoons of black, hanging

from the lower line of the alcony, and French cascades with a touch here and there of white. The balcony will be draped from the heavy beams on the

white along the top, and flags will be draped over the two arched doors. The north and south walls will be treated in the same manner, and heavy black festoons and French cascades will be darped for the heavy beams on the wall which descend from the supports of the roof, thus concealing much of the lower part of the six windows. Over the two small doors in the west end of the church there will be festoons of black with a bit of white. In the same end of the church over the organ pipes and nearly concealing the entire organ will be heavy black drapings, and over this black will be two immense flags.

#### **TENNESSEE'S TRIBUTE**

Nashville, Tenn., March 15 .- A resoution in regard to ex-President Harri- present in the Dornberg and Korannason was introduced in the house today by Representative Gordon, democrat, and was unanimously adopted, by a has been detained by swolllen drifts in suspension of the rules.

The resolution says the country has to move again. ost an able statesman, a profound thinker, a pure patriot, and a great that Scheepers and Milan's comman, whose life and character and mandoes have turned southward, and deeds have added lustre to the name are now within forty miles of Willowof American citizenship throughout the moore and that troops are following world.

cessation of hostilities, t.lthough, possibly, as no date is given, his captures were made previous to the grant of armistice.

Lord Kitchener's despatch, which is dated Pretoria, last evening, reports as follows:

"General DeWet has reached Senekal on his northward progress.

"French, in addition to his previous uccesses, reports 46 Boers killed or rounded, 146 taken prisoners and surrendered. with 200 rifles, 3700 rounds of ammunition, 2400 horses, 2500 cautle and 400 wagons and carts, besides mules and trex oxen.

"Methuen has arrived at Warrenton rom Kierksdorp, bringing in prisoners and cattle .

"The weaher is wet, delaying the movements of our columns.'

Though he has only a small following. DeWet is nearing a district where he is likely to receive considerable help, and probably intends to pick up foving bands of republicans who are ever iberg districts.

General French, the despatch adds, the Pietertif district, but is now able

A despatch from Cape town reports them.



Tien Tsin, March 15.-The British and Russians are disputing over the limits of railway property in the Russian concession; and the guards of the two nations are in close proxomity to each other. The Britsh have been strongly reinforced, and trouble is imminent unless the Russians re-

Pekin, March 15.-The Anglo-Russi an dispute over the limits of the Pekin railway property in the Rusian concession at Tien Tsin becomes more acute. The rival guards are in close proxim ity. The British have been reinforced. A company of the Hong Kong regiment with fixed bayonets are in front and two companies of he Madras pi oneers are held in reserve. The Russians are now entrenching in the dis puted territory. They object to the British laying a railway siding, saying it will interfere with the road they intend to make. Both sides are awaiting istructions from their govern-ments.

## SAFE BLOWERS ROB

A MISSISSIPPI BANK Memphis, March 15 .- The bank of Hernando at Hernando, Miss., was burglarized early this morning by four men who immediately afterward boarded a train and escaped to the Tallahal thee rive. bottoms. They blew open the safe and secured \$600 in cash. There is no clew to the identity of the

# INSURGENT GEN. TRIAS SAYS DOWN HIS ARMS

Manila, March 15.-General Trias and staff surrendered today at Santa

time, and invite your call if you are Chin Hills and Sikkim territory, numerated for the first time a net inin need of anything in HIGH CLASS ASHEVILLE HARDWARE CO S E. Cor. Court Square. Phone 87. results were quite unexpected. LONDON TIMES PUBLISHED

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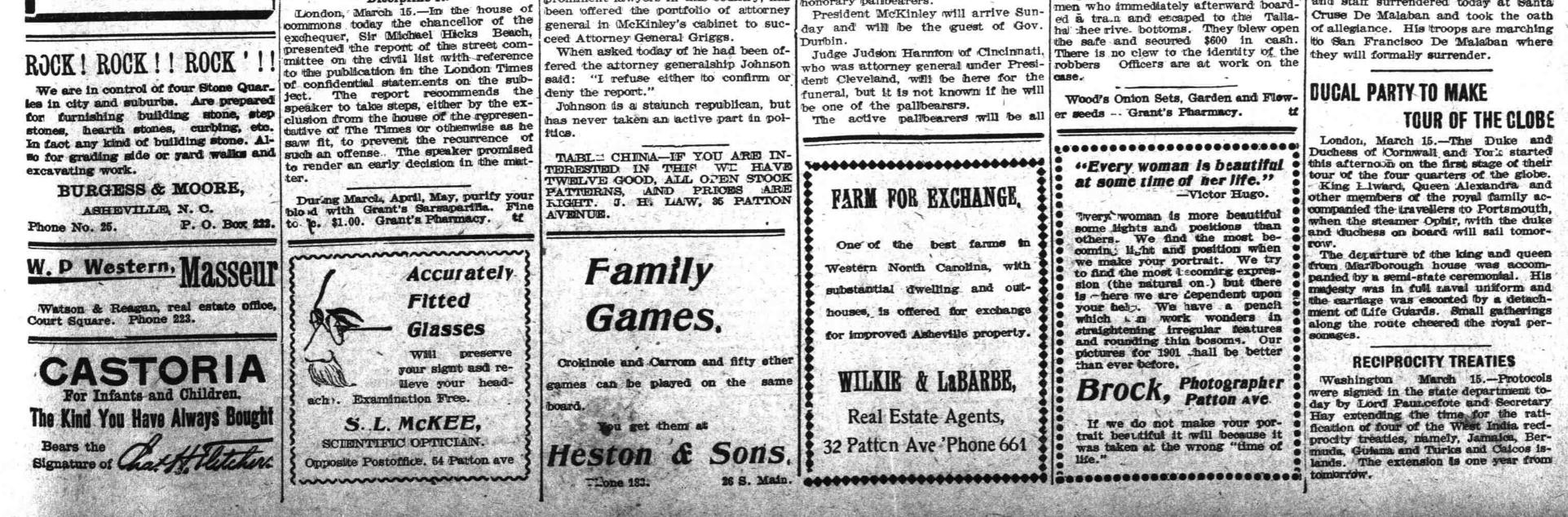
skirts and waists."

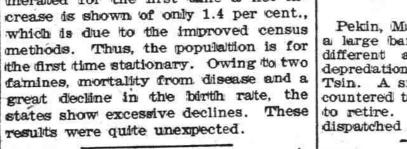
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### INDIA'S POPULATION Unexpected Revelations of the Census to the woods.

Just Completed. Calcutta, March 15.-Complete census