The Weather Today: Fair; Slightly Colder.

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as certain doom. Tons of molten metal and flames fell of the various party platforms and of upon them and burned nine men to death. Presidents McKinley and Roosevelt fa-Their bodies dropped to the roof of the voring the canal. In conclusion it says mill 85 feet below, every bone broken and an unrecognizable mass of human flesh Ordinarily only three men work on top of the furnace but this morning about 6:15 o'clock one of the heavy iron wagons used in taking up the ore to the top of the furnace got stuck on the top of the structure and the three men sent for assistance. A few men went up, but they could not move the wagon and more went up until the number reached fourteen. It was while they were trying to get the wagon released that the fatal explosion took place. All the men at work on top of the furnace were Slavs and Poles. Eve-witnessed say that it was the most horrible sight they ever witnessed. They say that when the explosion took place there was one great loud report and the murky heavens were illuminated with a great sheet of flames showing the men on top of the furnace running about, gesticulating wildly. The flames and hot metal looked like a volcano in action. Five of the men were blown off the top of the furnace and strange as it may seem, these men are the ones that are still living. The others hung on the railing, some on the outside, others on the inside, until their clothing was burned off. Two of the victims hanging or the outside held on and remained tenaciously clinging to the railing until their fingers were burned off. They then fell to the roof of the mill, dead. Seven of the victims were found dead on the platform of the cupola. These were completely denuded of clothes by the flames and their bodies detective, charged with opening mails. were burned almost to a crisp. Hundreds of pedestrians on Second avenue had narrow escape from death when the explosion occurred. Tons of ore, coke and hot cinders, some pieces weighing almost three pounds, rained down on Second avenue and many had to run into houses and stores for protection. Car No. 369, of the Homestead division, was passing just at the time the gas let go. ing on the car, which had twenty-five government.

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Six o fthe seven natives were sentenced

pages written and spoken in advocacy of the immediate undertaking and completion of this work, in view of the pledges made by the parties that it should be undertaken and completed, in view of recommendations made by the President of the United States and in view or the almost universal demand of the American people that Congress should at once do something effective in the inauguration and speedy completion of the Isthmian Canal, your committee content themselves with this brief report, embodying their earnest recommendation that the bill pass."

The report then quotes the declarations

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struction of this canal.'

# FOURTEEN HOUSES BURNED.

Charleston Has a Thirty Thousand Dollar Fire. Insurance Two Thirds.

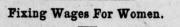
(By the Assocated Press.)

Charleston, S. C. Dec. 19 .- Fire today destroyed fourteen buildings in the upper part of the city. They were mostly frame structures and the loss is about \$30,000. Among the places burned were several street shows, which had recently opened here for the exposition period. The loss is about two-thirds covered by insurance.

# Charged With Opening Mails.

### (By the Associated Press.)

Bristol, Tenn., Dec. 19 .- Herbert Matney, assistant postmaster at Wytheville, Va., was arrested today by a postoffice It is charged that Matney used this money. He was released on \$5,000 bond.



(By the Assocated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 19 .- A bill was introduced in the Senate today by Mr. Mitchell fixing \$2 as the minimum rate of wages The coke and other material fall- to be paid to women in the employ of the

# **AMEND THE CONSTITUTION** AND CONTROL THE TRUSTS

# Representative Jenkins Introduces a Measure Looking to the Regulation of Trusts by Congress and the States.

### (By the Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 19 .-- Representative | United States shall be under the con-Jenkins, of Wisconsin, who proposed a trol of Congress. constitutional amendment to control United States to regulate, control, protrusts in the last Congress, today introduced a measure of similar character, binations in restrates of trade or comproviding for a constitutional amend- merce. ment providing that "Congress shall have power to regulate commerce in the United gress pursuant to this acticle, all pow-States

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"All private corporations, copartnerships and joint stock companies in the States."

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# Forest Reserve.

### (By the Assocated Press.)

Washington Dec. 19 .- President Roose - 1 tion as a whole, and they point to the velt today sent to Congress a letter strongly commending the plan for a national forest reserve in the Southern Appalachian region. The letter accompanies the report of the Secretary of Agriculture on this subject. The President states that the facts ascertained set forth an economic need of prime importance to the South, and hence to the na-

be accorded an opportunity to present | free delivery service in his district. Mr. through your counsel oral argument Payne, of New York, made the point of against such protest.

In reply you are informed that when such protest is received you will be advised of the department's conclusion. Yours respectfully, JOHN D. LONG.

To Rear Admiral W. S. Schley.

### The Gist of Sampson's Protest.

Washington, Dec. 19 .- Mr. Theall, acting for Mr. Stayton, counsel for Rear Admiral W. T. Sampson today called at the Navy Department to see Judge Advocate General Lemly. Mr. Theall stated that the objections to the findings of Admiral Dewey will not be filed with Secretary Long until tomorrow morning. In brief, the statement will object to Admiral Dewey's finding that Admiral Schley was in absolute command at the battle of Santiago Bay on the ground that testimony touching this point was

not admitted during the sessions of the court of inquiry. Stayton and Campbell have been given

until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning to file their brief, and it will not leave New York until tonight.

# Bill to Make Schley Vice Admiral.

Washington, Dec. 19.-Representative Pearre, of Maryland, today introduced a bill reviving the grade of vice admiral of the navy and authorizing the appointment of William T. Sampson, Winfield Scott Schley and Charles E. Clark to the grade of vice admiral.

As Mr. Pearre represents the district from which Admiral Schley comes and has been an active adherent of the Admiral, the proposition to unite Admirals Sampson and Schley and Captain Clark, of the Oregon, in advancement to the rank of vice admiral is regarded as a conciliatory step.

### Penrose Introduces it Into the Senate.

Washington, Dec. 19 .- A bill was introduced in the Senate today by Mr. Penrose, reviving the grade of vice admiral of the navy and promoting Ad-mirals Sampson, Schley and Captain acquirement of the right of way. Clark to that rank.

# One Hundred Thousand Dollar Fire.

(By the Assocated Press.) Clarksville, Ark., Dec. 19 .- Fire originating early today in the McConnell block destroyed property valued at \$100,000 with before it was authorized. As this was a but little insurance.

to be hung, but General Chaffee commuted the sentence in the cases of three of them to imprisonment at hard labor for necessity of protecting through wise use The seventh native, Leonardo De Posey, a mountain region whose influence flows regularly ordained priest, who was far beyond its borders with the waters held to be the chief agent in the Taytay of the rivers to which it gives rise. Afte? | murders, contended that while the par-

referring to the marvelous variety and ticipators in the wholesale murders in richness of plant growth in this region Taytay would confess the same at conthe President says it is unsurpassed for fessional, he was restrained by his sapurposes of a hardwood reserve and he cred office to keep silence. earnestly commends the project to Con-General Chaffee said that the confessional does not lay upon any man, the

obligation of suppressing knowledge of crimes being committed by third partics, the consummation of which could have been prevented without violating the order that the letter did not constitute secrecy of the confessional.

His sentence was commuted to in Speaker Henderson held that a controprisonment for twenty years. versy with a department about patron-

# · DANCY IS SELECTED.

of District of Columbia.

privilege, however, the Speaker allowed (By the Associated Press.) Washington, Dec. 19 .- The President him to proceed. A second letter from Mr. DeArmond to the Postmaster General has selected Dr. J. R. A. Crossland, of was sent to the desk, but as soon as it St. Joseph, Mo., to be minister to Liberia, was read, both Mr. Payne and Mr. Gros- | and J. C. Dancy, collector of the port of venor renewed the point of order that Wilmington, N. C., to be recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia, vice

soon expires. Both of the new appointees personal privilege had been presented, are negroes.

# College Day at the Exposition.

### (By the Associated Press.)

Charleston, Dec. 19 .- This was South Carolina College day at the Charleston Exposition, being the celebration of the State institution's centennial. Hundreds of the alumni and students were here to participate in the event. Exercises were Assistant Postmaster General last April, conducted at the exposition during the none of which, he said, had elicited a morning and consisted chiefly of wel-Mr. DeArmond declared that the decoming addresses and congratulatory

addresses. partment had not treated him "frankly, Tonight a banquet was given at which fairly or in a manly way." It had not answered the pertinent question regardseveral distinguished graduates spoke. Many men prominent in the South spent ing the division of carriers between the the day in Charleston participating in parties. He charged that the course of the department was in the interest of the celebration, among them General Wade Hampton, an alumnus of South certain Republican bosses in Missouri, Carolina College. one of whom hoped to get into the United

# Postmasters Appointed.

(By the Assocated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 19 .- The President tocay sent to the Senate the following appointments of postmasters:

North Carolina-G. W. Reed, Biltmore F. Dobson, Goldsboro.

Virginia-L. P. Harper, Suffolk; Jame Craig, Waynesboro.

### Covers the World.

Yesterday two companies were incor porated in the office of the Secretary of State. One is the Ionic Lodge of Free, Ancient and Accepted Masons, Company No. 72, of Winston-Salem. The second is the Twin-City Lodge, No. 5, Knights of Pythias, of North America, Europe, Asia,

admirable one. The exposition will be in its zenith at that time and the advancing spring weather will make the trip all the more agreeable.

Tar Heel citizens, many of whom have

purposely delayed proposed visits to the

exposition until the selection of the date

for North Carolina week was finally

agreed upon. The date is in every way

The curator of the State Museum, Mr. Brimley, left yesterday for Charleston to assist Secretary Bruner in the in stallation of the North Carolina exhibit. It is hardly expected that the State exhibit will be full and complete until the latter part of January.

# BOTH ENGINES WRECKED.

### two Lives Are Lost in a Head-on Collision at Upland California.

(By the Associated Press.)

San Lucas, Cali., Dec. 19 .- The north and south bound Southern Pacific Sunset Limited trains came together in head-on collision at Uplands, at 1:05 this morning and two men, the fireman and baggage man were killed. Four Italians, who were in the smoking car of the north bound train were bruised and scalded, but not fatally. Both engines were demolished and the baggage, smoking and chair cars on the northbound train were burned. one of the cars on the southbound train were injured and none of the passengers was hurt.

The killed are FIREMAN GERBER.

BAGGAGE MASTER GARLAND.

It is stated that the cause of the accident was the failure of the southbound to wait at a siding at Uplands. Instead of waiting the train went past the siding at the rate of thirty miles an hour.

Half a mile beyond the siding it crashed into the north bound train from Los Angeles, which was going at an equal rate of speed. Just as the crash came both engine crews jumped for their lives. All escaped but Fireman Gerber of the northbound engine, who was crushed to leath.

Both engines were completely wrecked and the baggage car piled on top of the engine. The smoking car of the northbound train in which there were half a dozen Italian laborers, was also smashed, and four of the Italians were badly bruised and scalded by escaping steam. None of them are believed to be fatally hurt.

One of the Best.

The Baptist Orphanage has no better friend than Mr. W. A. Cooper, of this city, member of the firm of Cooper Brohers' Marble Works, of this city. Yesterday's Charity and Children had this to say of that generous gentleman:

"Mr. W. A. Cooper, of Raleigh, always ready to do a kind deed for the orphanage, sends us \$25 worth of goods which he solicited from the business men of Raleigh. We thank him and them with all our hearts."

### Norfolk Peanuts.

### (By the Assocated Press.)

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 19 .- Peanuts July: fancy 2%; strictly prime 21/2; prime 2 to 21/-

New-Fancy 3; strictly prime 2% to 27%; prime 2% to 21/2; Spanish 721/2 to 75.

of the bill would embarrass the executive in securing the right of way through Nicaragua or Costa Rica. Mr. Hepburn said he knew of no negotiation that would be interfered with by this legislation. On the contrary he said legislation must precede acquisition, acquirement of the right of way.

Mr. Richardson, the minority leader,

Mr. Hepburn asked unanimous consent

Mr. Cannon asked whether the passage

that the Nicaragua Canal Bill be made a

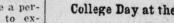
special order for Tuesday, January 7.

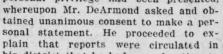
said this was in no sense a political question, and there was no objection to the proposition on his side of the House. Mr. Cannon said he was in favor of the building of the canal, but he thought there should be a place to put the canal request for consideration, however, .he Africa and Australia.

age did not constitute a matter of privilege. If it were, he said, members might constantly arise on such pretext to air Collector of Port of Wilmington For Recorder "Upon Mr. DeArmond's representation

that he would develop a question of

no question of personal privilege had Henry P. Cheatham, whose term of office The Speaker ruled that no question of





his district that he had caused action on free delivery routes to be held up during his absence in the Philippines; that those reports were circulated by those who lied and knew they lied. He read letters addressed by him to the First

a question of personal privilege.