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## JARVISBURG.

Mr. Stark Harris spent Friday at Poyner Hill.

Mr. C. A. Wilson returned from Norfolk last week Onite a number of our young

at Mt. Zion. Mrs. A. M. Gallop returned

her sister Miss Nina Harrison. Mrs A M. Gallop of Corolla

accompanied by Miss Tymah Benno was the guest of her par ents the past week.

been ill for the past five months is convalescent, much to the de light of her many friends Again, the gunning season is

he e and the sportsmen awake early in the morning awaiting anxiously for the hour when th y might shoot

Messis Marvin Harrison, Willoughby O.ds and Stark Harris spent Sunday at Whales Head and report a grand time Ask them about it Ha! Ha!

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## THE CHINESE SITUATION

THE MAIN TOPIC BEFORE THE CABINET MEETING.

The United States Not Disposed to Join With Other Powers in Making Demands Upon Chinese Which They Cannot Comply With, and Does Not Propose to be Driven Out of the Concert Relative to China at This Juncture in the Negotiations.

Washington, November 20 .- The Chinese situation was the main topic under consideration at to-day's Cabinet meeting. The administration is not disposed to join with the other governments in making demands upon the Chinese imperial authorities which the Chinese Government cannot comply with. So far as our Government is advised the foreign Ministers at Pekin have not yet agreed upon all points under discussion. Mr. Conger has reported from time to time the various positions under consideration, but he has not yet indicated that the end is at hand or that anything in the nature of an agreement has been reached which is to serve as a basis of negotiations with the Chinese authorities.

Mr. Conger has not, however, been

heard from for a week. Having passed over the stage of prescription to the Chinese leaders who were responsible for the boxer outrages, the foreign Ministers are be-Heved now to be engaged with the difficult subjects of indemnities and guarantees. The last United States proposition was in line with the Russian project to allow The Hague commissioners to adjust the indemnities. It is believed that this proposition has never commended itself to the British or German Governments, and failing Ly. Eliz City daily (ex. Sun) 2:45, p.m such a reference of the question of in-4.25, p.m | demnity, it is believed that it will be Lv Eliz City, Tue. Thur. & Sat 9:30, a.m a most difficult task for the Ministers Ar. Norfolk " " 11:00, a m at Pekin to reach an agreement on this subject, particularly in view of the existence of a very strong suspicion of " 12:40, p m This apparent difference in original 5:20, p.m purpose between the United States Government and some of the other 6:55 p m powers has operated to prevent a settlement of the Chinese question upon the broad lines laid down in the State Department's proposition. It is true that all of the powers subscribed a more or less reluctant assent to such Steamers leave Edenton daily ( x- proposals as look to the prevention of cept Sunday) 12:45 p. m. for Plymouth, the partition of China and the guar-Jamesville, William-ton and Wind- antee of an "open door" to all comers, yet it begins to appear from the course Leave Edenton Tuesday, Thursday of the negotiations that either these or that some of the makers have changed their minds as to what shall be done for the present in China.

It may be stated, however, regard-Roanoke Island, Oriental and New less of the embarrassments and delays Berne, Tuesday, Thursday and Satur- that follow from the existence of this day 6:00 p m : connect with A & N.C. state of affairs, that the United States Government does not propose to be driven out of the concert relative to China at this juncture in the negotia-Steamers leave Belhaven daily (ex- government from these entanglements withdraw our military forces from China entirely, it has been determined definitely that this shall not be done until all proper interests of the United States in China have been conserved.

## CHARLES H. HOYT DEAD.

The Well Known Playwright Passes Away at His Residence in Charles-

Charlestown, N. H., November 20 .-Charles H. Hoyt, the well known playwright, died at his residence here tonight at 7:15 of paresis, from which he had been suffering for several months past. Ever since his return to Charlestown, after his release from an asylum in Hartford by order of the court early in August, it had been known by his attendants and nearest friends that his condition was serious and that there people attended the Mass Meeting was little or no chance for his recovery, but Mr. Hoyt apparently was hopeful of ultimate recovery. Previous to two weeks ago there appeared to be a slight improvement in his condition, although home Sunday accompanied by he had periods of depression. About two weeks ago his appetite failed and he had a bad turn, from which he only partially recovered. Since that time he has been unable to take any except liquid nourishment, but continued to be | bbliged to stand the consequences." up and around his room until yesterday. He steadily lost strength and this morning he suffered a relapse and became unconscious, in which condition Mrs P. G. Gallop who has he remained until death came this

Mr. Hoyt had no relatives here, and during his sickness had been attended by Drs. Brooks, of Charlestown, and Billings, of Concord, two trained nurses and Dr. Davis, who had served as his valet for the past seven or eight years. These, together with Hon. James O. Lyford, his legal guardian, were in attendance at the time of his death. The funeral arrangements will not be made until to-morrow, but it is probable that | 100.4; pulse, 70." the funeral will be held Saturday.

## FREEDOM FOR CUBA.

Santiago de Cuba, November 20.-Secretary Root, responding to a toast to his health at a banquet here, said in part: "I am visiting Cuba as the representative of the President for the purpose of making a personal investigation of the condition of its inhabitants, particularly with reference to their ability to govern themselves. From newspaper reports I had come to imagine that the Cu ans were only partially civilized, and I am Government which will fulfill its promises, and I expect soon to see a free, selfgoverning Republic in Cuba.

FOR REMOVING THE WRECK OF THE MAINE.

Washington, November 20.-Commander Lucien Young, captain of the port of Havana, has called for proposals for removing the wreck of the Maine from the bottom of Havana harbor. The bids will be opened December Stockton made another satisfactory run until the same can meet and act. 15th next. The contractor will be al- off Barren island yesterday. Her screw lowed until April 1st next to remove propellers have now been adjusted and the material, and must engage to use no explosive in the removal.

## FIGHT. WITH POLICEMEN

N AN ATTEMPT TO LYNCH A NEGRO ON A SERIOUS CHARGE.

en and Women Engage in a Fierce Struggle With the Bluecoats for Possession of the Man who May be the Cause of the Death of a Little Girl-Many People More or Less Injured and the Fiend Landed in Jail.

Chicago, Ill., November 20 .- A mob composed of men and women fought wenty policemen to-night in an atempt to lynch Harry Evans, colored, irrested on a charge of assaulting 7ear-old Freda Guendal.

Hundreds of persons who had gathered around the home of the little girl. whose death was feared, was greatly excited when Evans, who had been aptured an hour before, was brought refore his victim for identification. The two officers who had charge of

the negro, after a free use of their slubs on the crowd, finally managed to shove Evans into the house, where the Ittle girl identified him as her assall-When the mob outside learned that

Evans had been identified by his victim

hey became frenzied and made another

rush for him. In the meantime, however, a riot call had been sent in and a wagon load of pluecoats appeared on the scene just in powering the officers and securing the

After a flerce struggle, in which a score or more of people were more or ess injured, the police succeeded in tured goods. A knowledge of the supply ilspersing the mob and landed Evans | of cotton and of the demand for cot-

There Will be No Decided Effort at the Next Session of Congress to Reduce the South's Representation Because of the Disfranchisement it. of the Negro.

Washington, November 20 .- Repreentative Hopkins, of Illinois, chairnan of the House Committee on Cenius, which committee will have charge of the legislation effecting the apporpressed the opinion that there would be 10 decided effort during the next sestion of Congress to decrease the Conressional representation of the Southern States because of the disfranchisenent of negroes. He said that in all probability the subject would be disrussed, but he thought that upon the vhole the committee would favor the dan of basing representation upon the

number of inhabitants. Discussing the general subject of reommittee on Census will meet during he first week of the session and will go o work at once framing a bill provid- declined to sell it for less. They have ng for reapportionment. I think that a received ten cents for what they have proposition will be adopted which will sold. ncrease the present membership of the

een to twenty members. "According to calculations I have made the reapportionment would add 1,000.000 bales more of cotton. members to the House from New York general proposition to decrease their South in 1901?" vote in the House on account of the disfranchisement of certain classes of proportion agreed upon, although to what extent cannot be ascertained

"The general idea of the committee, bers as seems just and equitable, so as 000 bales of cotton annually. bership. The increase, of course, will go aim at receiving for his lint cotton its

#### THE CZAR'S CONDITION LESS FAVORABLE.

Czar's physician to-day is less favorable. It says:

"The Emperor passed a satisfactory lay yesterday. At 9 in the evening the patient's temperature was 102.2; pulse, 30. His Majesty slept tranquilly until 3 in the morning. Subsequently his rest was broken and perspiration appeared. This morning his condition mand, and the probable world's supply, big cotton mill operatives' strike was fairly satisfactory-temperature,

St. Petersburg, November 20.-The Ministers have been entrusted with the conduct of current business during the present phase of the Czar's illness. each of them carrying on his department according to his personal judgment, decisions on important matters being postponed for the time being.

## WHIPPED IN NINE ROUNDS.

Savannah, Ga., November 20.-Jack Hanlon, of Philadelphia, threw up the sponge to Tom Corcoran, of Savannah, after the ninth round in what was to agreeably surprised to find an enlight- be a twenty-five round fight, at the ened people. I desire to renew assurances theatre to-night. Hanlon broke his of the good faith of the United States hand. There was bad blood between the two men and the fight was furious. The report, which was adopted: larg st audience ever gathered here to see . fight was in attendance. Hanlon's ers' association be organized. y died to-day a few hours before he entered the ring.

## THE STOCKTON'S SPEED TRIAL

SATISFACTORY. Washington, November 20 .- Admiral Melville, engineer-in-chief of the navy, has been informed that the torpedo boat the boat is in readiness for her speed trial run on Thursday night. The Stockton and the Sylph have returned to Annapolis.

## THE COTTON GROWERS.

FIRST CONVENTION OF THE SOUTH. ERN INTER-STATE ASSOCIATION.

The Hon. Hoke Smith Gives an Historical and Statistical Review of the Cotton Business of the South of the Present and the Future-Three Questions of Vit . 1 Importance to the Planter-The Increased Demand-The Production.

Macon, Ga., November 20 .- The Southern Inter-State Cotton Growers' Assoclation, which was formed in Macon last May, held its first convention here to-day. President Jordan stated that the prime object of the convention was to form an inter-State bureau for the collection and distribution of statistical nformation relating to the cotton business of the South and to offset the wer-estimating of parties whom he beleved irresponsible.

Hon. Hoke Smith, of Atlanta, was the principal speaker of the day. His ad-Mr. Smith said in part:

"While cotton to-day brings ten cents a pound, it has only been three years since the crop was selling at five cents per pound. What are the elements which have caused this variance in price? Recognizing the laws of demand ime to prevent the crowd from over- | and supply, we must see that the depreciation in the price of cotton has been due to a production of the staple Ir. excess of the demand for manufacton goods for consumption will enable the producer to tell at the time of the THE HOUSE REAPPORTIONMENT. year when cotton is picked the price with which lint cotton should sell. An- | suffering.' other cause which has facilitated the depreciations of price at the time the cotton left the hands of the planter has been the unbusiness-like plan of selling

"More than 70 per cent, of the cotton which is used in the great cotton mills The mills run during twelve months. They need the cotton as much in July as they do in December. The plan of selling has disregarded the time of consumption. Instead of hauling the crop donment of the House, to-day ex- so that it would be sold from month to month during the year as the mills required it for use, it has been the practice of the planters in the South to rush their cotton onto the market during a period limited at most to two months, forcing its purchase by speculators. rather than holding the crop until the consumer or mill owner came after it. "I am thankful to say that east of the Mississippi river during the present year the planters have been informed as to the extent of the crop and as to pportionment, Mr. Hopkins said: "The the world's demand for their cotton. Realizing that it was worth at least ten cents a pound or more they have

"By the co-operation of merchants House. It has been suggested that we and the bankers they have been enauthorize one member for every 198,000 abled so soon as the buyers succeed in nhabitants. That seems to be the ratio depressing the price, to take their cotthat is in general favor among the ton off the market, and as a result they nembers of the committee. This will to-day see the price of cotton going cause a decrease in membership in back to the figures at which it sold some States, while the representation during the month of September, and I 'rom other States will be increased. On have no doubt the balance of the cotton the whole, the proposition would entail crop thus cared for by your farmers in increased membership of from fif- will bring them over ten cents a pound. This price, however, could hardly have been realized had the farmers raised

"There are three questions of vital and Illinois, and perhaps other States. Importance which effect the price of States like Nebraska and Maine might next year's cotton crop. They are, how lose members by the proposed law, much will the mills of the world con-That, however, would depend entirely sume in 1902? How much lint cotton apon the exact number of inhabitants will the balance of the world produce designated for each membership. Some for other than domestic consumption in of the Southern States, aside from the 1901? How much will we produce in the

Continuing, Mr. Smith said: "Fifty years have shown an increased demand citizens might also suffer from the for cotton goods, causing an increased demand for lint cotton of about 700 per possible, while adding as many mem- of the world will consume over 30,000,- with orders to push on to the great "While the Southern planter should

to the States which have shown a full market value, care must be taken sast of Hsuen Hwa Fu November 17th. growth of population, while those States that the South shall maintain her On returning, Colonel Yorck will eswhich have not kept the pace in en- supremacy as the cotton producing tablish communication with Major larging their population will be section of the world. England, Russia and Germany have devoted and are devoting great attention as nations to cotton culture. The United States, through the Agricultural Department at Washington, should give cotton culber 20.-The bulletin issued by the should furnish reliable information of abroad in this great American staple. "Accurate information should also be prepared by the Agricultural Departments of the States which are engaged in producing lint cotton to the end that the planters may obtain before planting their crops the probable world's deand later on in the season when the time for beginning to sell cotton arrives, the planters should be reliably acquainted from these and other sources with the probable product of our own cotton raising section." In closing, Mr. Smith urged the diver-

sification of crops. Macon, Ga., November 20 .- Hon, S. L. Pattison, of North Carolina, adiressed the convention on the organization of the farmers in his State and would soon have to buy cotton from other States to supply their rapidly-

increasing cotton mills. At the afternoon session Captain John A. Davis spoke on the relations of the banks to the cotton-growers. The business committee made the following 1. That an inter-State cotton plant-

2. That each State association be allowed three representatives upon the inter-State executive committee. 3. That the inter-State executive committee be authorized to adopt a constitution and elect officers. 4. That the chairman and secretary of this meeting be authorized to act for the inter-State executive committee

be held in Atlanta. Ga.

## OUT OF THE WRONG MOUTH.

A Young Dentist's Natural Mistake Leads to Hard Feelings. (Chicago Record.)

The young dentist had a caller. She was a stylish young woman, and towed by a stout chain the ugliest of ugly bull-dogs. "Poor Jim," she said, soothingly, "you must suffer."

> The young dentist gazed at the brute and smiled. "This way, miss," he said. "Just a minute! Is there a mirror in

the building? My hair is wild from the While she stood before the mirror he "I'm not in the habit of extracting dog teeth," he soliloquized, "but I sup-

pose I can do the job. It would be a good idea to start in now. If she stands near I may get the least bit pervous and the chances are in favor of the dog making trouble for some one." He thought he knew the bad tooth.

"Come here, pup," he said, trying to get around the dog. Then he reached for the forceps and got a good grip on his patient. When Jim opened his mouth the steel closed down on the supposed bad molar. Man and dog struggled, and man was the victor. The tooth came Iress partook largely of the historical out. Just then the young woman reand statistical and was well received. entered. It was an exciting scene. Gore, deep crimson gore, was everywhere. The young dentist was in a corner warding off the vicious attacks with a

"What does this mean?" she gasped "I got it out, miss."

"Got what out?" "The brute's tooth; but it was a "Do you mean to say that you ex-

"Certainly, Isn't that what you had tooth without any trouble." "But he has no bad teeth."

"What!" "No, sir, I came in to have one of my own teeth extracted." "But I heard you say the dog was

"From fleas." "Then I will-"No, you won't. I'll go to some dentist that knows his business."

dragged him cut of the office. of the world is raised in our section. A GREAT DEMONSTRATION WILL BE TENDERED PRESIDENT

Then she took Jim by the chain and

KRUGER. Marseilles, November 20.-Former President Kruger will probably land here Thursday, instead of to-morrow. Bad weather is reported in the Mediterranean and the Dutch cruiser Gelderland, on which he is a passenger, may hug the coast of the Gulf of Genoa in preference to heading direct for Marseilles, so as to avoid the cross seas. She will thus reach this port to-morrow evening, instead of to-night. Every preparation, however, has been made for Mr. Kruger's possible landing tomorrow morning. The police and military are held in readiness and the Boer reception committee has not made any change in the arrangements for the reception at the dock. Workmen have been busy erecting flagstaffs along the water side at LaJoliette and at the outer dock, where the steam launch with

Mr. Kruger on board will land. It is certain that Mr. Kruger's arrival here will be the occasion for a great popular demonstration along the route from the dock to the hotel, which is situated on the principal boulevard. It is equally certain that the formal proceedings, receptions, etc., will not be invested with great importance, oning to the abstention from them of the prefect, Mayor and other functionaries

In their official capacity. A surprise came to-day in the shape of the arrival here of Eloff, Mr. Kruger's private secretary, who left the cruiser at Port Said and came ahead on the French steamer Laos.

## GREAT WALL.

has received the following telegram from Field Marshal Count Von Waldersee: "A detachment consisting of two be submitted to the Democrats of the companies of infantry, a force of cent. While the next decade may not mounted men and two guns, under show a proportionate increased de- command of Major Muhlenfels, has however, is to cause as little decrease mand, I have no doubt that by the end been dispatched via San Kia Tien, In the membership of the House as of twenty-five years the manufacturing twenty-one kilometres west of Pekin,

"The column under Colonel Yorck arrived twenty-five kilometres south-Muhlenfels."

#### GOVERNOR-ELECT SAMFORD'S CONDITION.

Montgomery, Ala., November 20 .- His Livadia, European Russia, Novem- ture a full proportion of attention and physicians authorize the statement that there has been a decided improvement in the condition of Governorelect Samford.

## STRIKE DECLARED OFF.

Charlotte, N. C., November 20 .- Th Alamance county, N. C., has been C clared off. The strike has been force about three months and seve thousand hands were involved. This the third strike recently among cetter mill workers in North Carolina, and the mill owners in each case have been Lie winners.

## A TRAIN WRECKED.

Hardeeville, S. C., November 20 .- A consaid that Georgia and the Carolinas struction train of the Southern railway's new extension from Allendale to this point was wrecked this morning. The train was loaded with rails and other building ma terials. John Gozer, a time-keeper, was instantly killed, and Conductor W. C. Brice and Foreman J. A. Brooks were seriously injured by the flying rails. The body and the wounded men were sent to Columbia, S. C.

## NO AMERICANS THERE.

Washington, October -- - A dispatch defalcation occurred in the last six received from General Chaffee at the months. War Department to-day says: "Later Hutchesen, Lo Americans at China Ting ru.

This is in reply to an enquiry sent by the War Department, asking information about America is who were sup-On motion the first meeting of the posed to have been located at that inter-State committee was directed to

#### A DISASTROUS TORNADO.

#### Three People Killed and Mach Property Damaged-Many Buildings Razed to the Ground

Memphis, Tenn., November 20 .- A tornado visited North Mississippi this afternoon, causing loss of life and much property damage. Reports from Lulu, Tunica county, state that three negroes were killed, their bodies having been carried a distance of three miles by the wind. Many buildings were razed to the ground and the damage to holding the citizens at bay with their

ing much damage and killing three posits on hand. Four attempts were persons. The dead: W. C. Moody and made to get at the cash, but the side two negro women: Injured: Edward door held to its combination, while the

ly after noon and swept everything in were met by the robbers at the point of its path. Eight residences and three guns and told not to move. The robchurches were destroyed. The damage bers had stolen a horse and spring to cotton in the boll will be great. Nashville and Chattaneoga station and of the bank ready for flight. The horse eighteen houses were demolished by a ran away, demolishing the vehicle, tornado to-night at ... a Vergne, a sta- when the men took across the country tion on the Ashevill and Chattanooga on foot. The damage to the bank build-

road, ninety-six miles south of here, ing, vault and other property is about More than a mile of telegraph and tele- one-half its value. phone wires were destroyed. Details The gang left a are meagre, but it is known that a men train at Marengo at 1 o'clock, stole the named Robertson and his child were in- horse and reached Analey shortly after

#### TO REDUCE WAR TAXES.

#### The Republican Members of the Ways The men were masked and have not and Means Committee Consider the Question-There Might be a Reduction in Revenues of \$30,000,000.

Washington, November 20.-The Rebrought him up here for? I found the publican members of the Ways and A Former Filipine Chief to Hant the Means Committee met to-day to consider a measure for the reduction of the war revenue tax. The most important action taken was a decision not to Abolos, the former Filiphno chief, is preremove the tax of ten cents a pound on pared to start in pursuit of Aguinaldo tea. The committee will not take up or with one hundred picked natives, supdisturb the tariff on imports as the ported by American troops, tither exmembers claim it would open up the rebel Filipinos will be used in camcommittee will not grant any hearing have not been formally made yet, but were given during the last session of accept their services. Aguinaldo, it is been received. Parties who are interest- rebel leaders now in Manila, confirmed ed, however, can file briefs or state- from other sources, ments with the committee.

> Secretary Gage and Commissioner were questioned as to where reductions could be made to the best advantage from the treasury view point. A considerable part of the discussion

> medicinal and proprietary articles and preparations, perfumery, cosmetics, chewing gum, wines, etc. There was also discussion of stamp taxes. The discussion indicated that the commit tee favored quite a change in this feature of the law and reductions wherever possible. The committee also desires to eliminate the taxes on congreat deal of complaint.

It will be the aim of the committee to abolish the most burdensome taxes and to grant relief from stamp taxes as far

as possible. Berlin, November 20 .- The War Office ready for the full committee until the

Suggestion has been made that the Oleomargarine bill, now on the House calendar and made a special order for December 6th, might be made a part of the war revenue bill. Representative Tawney, the father of the Oleomargarine bill, when asked about this, said that the Oleomargarine bill would be passed by the House early in the session, so that an opportunity would be given to ascertain if there was a disposition to defeat the measure in the Senate by any unusual delay. In such case he intimated that the Oleomargarine bill might be made a part of the Revenue Reduction bill in the Senate.

THE GROUNDING OF THE IN-

DIANA. Washington, November 20.-Quartermaster-General Ludington received a cable dispatch to-day from Colone. Miller, chief quartermaster at Manila, confirming the press report of the grounding of the transport Indiana on the east coast of Isla de Rolilo, one of the smaller islands of the Philippine

group east of Luzon. Colonel Miller's dispatch is as follows: "Indiana aground November 7th. Is reported as not damaged. Charles D. Palmer, quartermaster, with transport Pennsylvania, and a lighter draft vessel left Manila Sunday in order to relieve. Nothing more necessary." When the Indiana ran aground she

pany of the Twenty-second Infantry destined to act as a garrison at Baler. CASHIER BROWN'S DEFALCA-

was loaded with supplies and a com-

TION. Washington, November 20 .- A preliminary report received at the Treasury Department from National Bank Examiner Tucker, who has been appointed temporary receiver of the German National Bank, of Newport, Ky., places the amount of Assistant Cashier Brown's defalcation at \$191,500. In the opinion of the examiner the bulk of the

JUDGE ROBERT C. BRISKELL DEAD.

Huntsville, Ala., November 20 .- Robert C. Briskell, ex-Chief Justice of Alabama and for many years one of the most prominent jurists of the South, died to-night after a short illness.

## DESPERATE BANK ROBBERS.

#### kine of Them Hold Citizens at Bay While Three Others Attempt to Secure the Contents of a Bank

Delaware, O., November 20 .- A dozen rofessional bank robbers made a deserate attempt to secure the contents of the money vault of Sperry & Warnstaffs' Deposit Bank at Ashley, ten miles north of here, before daylight tolay. While nine men stood on guard the crops cannot be estimated at pres- guns, three operated the dynamite under the deposit vault of the brick build-La Grange, Tenn., November 20 .- A ing. The bank's property is worth \$50,tornado struck this town to-day, caus- 600 and there was \$15,000 in eash de-Smith, Southern railway agent, seri- guards outside were shooting at the citizens who pressed closely upon them, The storm made its appearance short. Two merchants, first upon the scene, wagon and a team and surry from Nashville, Tenn., "ovember 20 .- The farmers near by. The rigs were in front

open the bank doors without being discovered, but the first explosion of dynamite armised the town. The robbers fired as they fied, but no one was hurt.

# Great Leader Down-Church and

Manila, November 20 - General Macwhole subject of tariff revision. The paigning in the country. Their offers while framing the bill as full hearings they are ready if the authorities will Congress and since then briefs and supposed, is in Northern Luzon, acstatements of various interests have cording to statements made by ex-

Aglipay, a renegade native priest, long an insurgent leader in Northern Wilson, of the internal revenue bureau, Luzon, has written to friends in Mawere before the committee for some nila, asking for election news, and retime during the afternoon. The Secre- questing to be informed whether a detary told the committee that, in his cision has been reached concerning the opinion, there might be a reduction in relations between Church and State, revenues of \$30,000,000. The war revenue and the disposition of church properact now raises about \$100,000,000. Com- ties. The replies sent him contain the missioner Wilson went over the schel- information that Church and State will ules with the members of the commit | be separate and that entire religious

## THE GROWTH OF THE NAVY.

#### was confined to schedule B, which taxes | The Over-Taxed Condition of Many of the Navy-Yards-Norfolk Navy. Yard Should be Considerably In-

creased in Arca. Washington, November 20 .- The annual report of Rear Admiral Endicott, chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, submits estimates aggregating veyances, of which there has been at \$12,456,390, of which \$11,252,540 is set down for public improvements. The It can be stated that in a general way | Admiral emphasizes the importance of having proper provisions made at an early date for storing at convenient points along our coasts the large num-The committee late in the day called ber of torpedo boats which are now on the President to obtain his views on being completed and put affoat. Attenthe proposed reduction. The committee tion is called to the over-taxed condiwill meet again to-morrow. After there | tion of many yards, due to the rapid has been a general interchange of opin- increase of the navy affoat, and the reion on the proposed reduction it is quite | port earnestly advises an increase in ORDERED TO PUSH ON TO THE likely that a sub-commuttee will be ap- the shore allotment, that the land espointed to draft a measure. It is not tablishment may keep up with the believed the bill can be prepared and growth of the navy on the seas. Admiral Endicott states that several of session begins. The measure, after it the yards should be considerably inis agreed upon by the Republicans will creased in area, and particularly the yard at Norfolk, Va. Here Congress has authorized the construction of a new dry dock, which was desired to be one of the largest class, but the Admiral calls attention to the fact that the only available space for this purpose is so limited as to preclude the

construction of a dock of desirable dimensions. Chief Endicott says that the navyyards of the country generally are now in much better condition to meet a sudden demand, such as was thrown upon them by the Spanish war, than they were when that war broke out. He reviews briefly the work accomplished and the existing conditions at each yard. The big steel hoating dry dock, the largest in the world, intended for Algiers, La., will be ready for passage by sea to that place next Spring, and time the dock arrives. All of the four docks authorized by the last Congress

are in progress. Chief Endicott says that with these docks, the facilities of the navy will be largely increased, but the increase in the number of vessels to be handled will require still more docks than are now provided for.

#### A PLEA FOR EXTENSION OF THE RURAL FREE DELIVERY.

Washington, November 20 .- An enthuslastic pleasfor a wide expansion of rural free delivery is made in the annual report of W. M. Johnson, First Assistant Postmaster General. He says that the extraordinary development of this system during the past twelve months under the stimulus of ap; ropriations of \$450,000 for the fiscal year 1899-1900 and \$1,750,000 for the fiscal year 1900-1901, is conclusive as showing that hereafter it must be a permanent and expanding feature of the postal administration. The service cap now be extended as swiftly as Congress may direct or as the means permit, until it covers all those portions of the United States now reached in whole or in part by the more primitive methods of the postal service which have come down to us almost without change from colonial times. This change, Mr. Johnson believes. can be effected without excessive cost to the government.

## ANOTHER DEFAULTING CASHIER

Rutland, Vt., November 20 .- A special from Montpelier says: "A report is current here that G. L. Closson, cashier of the First National Bank, of Springfield, Vt., is \$20,000 short in his ac-