The Navy Department Discredits the Rumors of His Health Giving Way.

REPORTS OF HIS HEALTH FAILING

Under Heavy Strain of His Responsible Command at Manila Received From Many Private Sources .- Unwilling to Leave His Work in the Philippines Unfinished--Enthusiastic Reception of Americans at Negros-Troops Landed at Cebu Without Opposition-The New Major and

Brigadier Generals.

SITUATION AT SANTIAGO

for March will be allowed by cable to-

public improvements will be immedi-

Today a communication was receiv-

within a few days most of the labor-

ers will be working again, as the as-

phalt company will commence opera-

plied that there is absolutely no ground

Not one child dies where ten former-

ly died from croup. People have larn-

ed the value of One Minute Cough Cure

and use it for severe lung and throat

troubles. It immediately stops cough-

The Baltimore and Brooklyn Clubs

Baltimore, March 9 .- The stockhold-

ers of the Baltimore Base Ball and

Exhibition Company met today and

Edward Hanlon and H. R. Borman, of

and F. A. Abell, of Brooklyn, direc-

tors immediately organized by elect-

Brooklyn-McGann 1st b, Daley 2nd b,

Baltimore-La Chance 1st b. O'Brien

selections from the following young-

Robinson will probably do the bulk

For frost bites, burns, indolent sores,

Piles, DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve

and counterfeit it. It's their endorse-

Witch! Hazel Salve. R. R. Bellamy.

Will Stand No Foolishness From Negr

.porate limits.

is exhausted.

Soldiers

Destructive Fire in a Cuban Town

burned to death. The Cuban indus-

half, as no work is to be had in the

district and the supply of army rations

Tacoma, Wash., March 9.-Cifizens.

indignant at the many recent rob-

beries and hold-ups, held a public

meeting today and decided to form a

partment was denounced as incompe-

of the catching for the Orioles.

McGraw 3rd b, Holmes 1 f,

tory of the Bridegrooms.

Brooklyn has four

ing. It never fails. R. R. Bellamy.

able comment.

of defending his client.

Washington, March 2.-When his at- | ed, that her cargo has been jettisoned coming from Vancouver to the effect that Admiral Dewey is breaking down and cannot last a month longer, Sec- arrested in Vigan, whatever on this point. The stories of the admiral's ill-health have been in circulation with more or less persistency for the past four months. They are all traceable to private reports, and though officers of the navy who have returned from Manlla state that Dewey's health, so far as it could be kauged from his appearance, seems to be about the same as it has been for the past years, they agree that the private reports probably have a fair ba-

It is not denied by these officers that the admiral has aged in appearance otably within the past year; his hair is undoubtedly whiter and his figure shows signs of that weakness which might be expected to come with advancing years. Dewey will be 62 years old next December, and for many years has not been a strong man physically. Meantime, he has had imposed upon him the most severe and exacting duties, so that it is but natural that his frail physique should show the effect of the tremendous strain.

It is said by persons familiar with the Philippine climate that the second year is the hardest to bear for a Caucasian, and Dewey soon will begin his second year there. In addition to this, he labors under the drawback of having undergone a most severe surgical operation for the relief of his liver. A man needs a sound liver in the Philiplaces These facts lead naval officers to believe the reports that Dewey is showing signs of the physical

On the other hand, as already stated there is absolutely no official evidence on file at the department to show that this is true. A full medical history of Admiral Dewey is among the records of the bureau of medicine and surgery. They show every ailment that he has experienced since he has been in the navy, as well as the results of the physical examinations he has undergone when he has been promoted from time to time. But these do not disclose any complaint at this time; the admiral has not been made the subject of a sick report since he went to Ma-

Some time ago the president feared that the great strain he was under might-over-tax him, so cabled Dewey through Secretary Long permission to · return to the United States. The admiral declined to avail himself of this. permission and asked permission to stay, saying that in his opinion duty required that he should finish the task he had begun at Manila. The president accepted this statement and Dewey remains by his own wish. He is free to return to the United States whenever he cares to do so, and the department will relieve him by cabled orders. In that case Captain N. H. Dyer, the commander of the Baltimore, who is the senior captain on the Asiatic station, would have command of the American squadron temporarily and probably would be relieved, later, by one of the rear admirals recently created, nearly all of whom are anxious to tors for the ensuing year. The direcassume active flag rank before retire-NEW MAJOR AND BRIGADIER gentlemen have been elected directors

GENERALS. The president has practically made up the list of the general officers to be retained in the volunteer branch of the service. The basis of all the calculations is an army of 65,000 men, for the president has so far insisted that he ing the coming season. Kelley will will not call for volunteers in addition | play center field and captain the team. to that number unless an emergency should arise. The reorganization acts and pitchers, which both managers are limits the number of major generals to as yet uncertain about to a great exbe appointed to one for each 12,000 men | tent, the teams will be constituted and the brigadier generals for every about as follows at the opening of the 4,000 men in actual service. On this basis, as there are already

three major generals in the army in Jennings s s, Dahlen 3rd b, Jones 1 f, the persons of General Miles, General | Kelley c f, and Keeler r f. Brooks and General Merritt, there is Baltimore-La Chance 1st b, O'Brien room for but two more. To fill these (signed today) 2nd b, Magoon or Koestwo places the president has selecte-General Shafter and General Otis now | Brodig c f, Sheckard r f. In command at Manila. It is safe to say that the list of brig- James, Maul, Hughes, Kennedy and adiers to be appointed will include the Yeager, while Baltimore may make its following names: General Wood at Santiago: General Wilson, at Matan- sters: Kitson, Nops, Miller, McKenna, General Lee in the province of Howell, McFarland, Gaston, Hopper

Havana; General Davis, now on duty with the court of inquiry in the beef supplies; General Ludlow in command of Havana city; General Lawton, nearign Manila; General McArthur, at Manila; General Chaffee and General AMERICA NEUTRAL IN CHINESE stands first and best. Look out for MATTERS.

The Italian government, through its representatives in Washington, lately laid before the authorities here its purpose to ask of China a port on San Mun bay, and has invited an expression from this government as to its attitude. In response, it is understood that Secretary Hay, as well as the president, made it clear that the United States would pursue the same course as toward the Russian, British and German occupation of Chinese ports; namely, disinterested neutrality. The exchanges have been verbal, and rather informal, more in the nature of diplomatic soundings than direct propositions. They have given occasion to erroneous publications, to the effect that this government in a pointed note NEWS FROM MANILA.

Manila, March 9.-4:10 p. m.-The Maritime Steam Navigation Company's steamer Nustra Senora del Rosa- 9 .- A large part of the reconcentrado rio has arrived here from Hollo and reports all quiet there, although skir- quarter of Guines was destroyed by mishing is frequent in the outlying dis- | fire this morning, three children being

The Negros commissioners landed St. Paul landed a battallon of troops for the homeless, and a special appeal at Negros on March 4th, Colonel Smith for funds will be made on their beand the other officers were magnificently received and entertained by the natives, who were extremely kind and courteous. The occasion was generally celebrated with enthusiasm.

Within an hour of landing the signal corps had established communicaflon with Holle, Captain Tilley reporting the news of the reception to Gen-Goodall's battalion was subsequently

landed at Cebu without opposition and vigilance committee. The police deis now stationed in the city. that the steamer Jan Joaquin is strand- the city.

Riotous Conduct-The Shooting Af fair at Griffin, Ga-Both Sides of the

Raleigh, N. C., March 9.-The tour of the Tenth immunes through this state was marked by drunken rioting and shooting at people, houses and cattle along the railroad. During the few minutes the train stopped here, there was drinking and disorder among the men. Several shots were fired at the ground or into the air. All along the route their conduct was the same.

A dispatch from Henderson tonight, says: "The Tenth immune, negro troops, passed today over the Seaboard Air Line. They shot at private houses and school children. Several men were wounded. The officers of the regiment seemed to have no control over the Similar reports come from other

points between here and Weldon. Colonel Charles L. Jones, command tention was called to the statement and that her native crew mutined on ing officer of the regiment, was seen by February 8th and murdered the Span- a representative of the Associated Press ish officers of the vessel. Some of the immediately upon the arrival of his train here, as he had telegraphed ahead mutineers are reported to have been the morning that he desired to make a statement in regard to the shooting The British first class cruiser Powerful, has arrived here from Hong affair at Griffin, Ga. He said: Kong in order to relieve the first class cruiser Narcissus. The United States o'clock yesterday afternoon. I don't

transport Arizona has sailed. All is think there were more than a dozen revolvers in the hands of the men. When we pulled out of Vineville, there was shooting in the air from the train. The men were full of good spirits and had no intention to harm Improved Under Prospect of Work on any one. No shots were fired when we went into the town of Griffin. I Public Improvements Being Rewas surprised to find men lined up on either side of the depot. About fifty Santiago de Cuba, March 9.- The re of them wore uniforms. I inquired mainder of the funds for February was | what the trouble was, and was told that the first section had been disorderformally allowed today from Havana, ly and that the citizens wanted to proand it is expected that the estimate

tect themselves. "I told my men to be quiet and they were obedient and there was no disormorrow, in which case the work on der. The train stopped about five The train had pulled out about 200 yards when some of the men in the forward part of the train fired

ed from Havana appointing a secreta-"The militia then fired into the rear car. George L. Agree, the man who ry to the local-so-called board of agwas standing on the platform was shot. One ball passed through his leg. another through his thigh and still anbeing for a competent man to report other bullet passed through his body. As the officers' car passed a body of the regularly on agricultural matters to militia, a volley was fired into it, notthe civil governor. If this advice seems withstanding the fact that four ladies worthy of acceptance, that functionary were at the windows. I was standing on the platform of my car. The wife of one of the captains, who was seated adopts it. Similar appointments of strangers to posts in this province from Havana have caused no little unfavor- by the window, had a narrow escape. An iron brace prevented another bullet from crashing into the car.
"Up to 3:30 o'clock when I left Ma-General Leonard Wood expects that

con yesterday afternoon not one of the depredations of the white or negro troops at that town had been committed by the Tenth immunes.

men, making a tot cost of £7,474,000, Referring to ship tion on a large scale next week under a former contract. The prospects now "The action of the militia in Griffin look much brighter than they did ten was the most cowardly that I have ever days ago.

was the most cowardly that I have ever ed after consideration of the product of the they fired into the car from which the gramme of the other powers. A study

been defending before the court-marone shot was fired, it would have been of these programmes, he pointed out. tial one of the men charged with com- bad enough, but to fire a volley into was not re-assuring. The United The number of state convicts steadily plicity in the outrage at San Luis, has a car, when the officer who had charge States, Russia, France, Japan, Italy been debarred from further connection of the men who fired the volley knew with the defense, owing to contempt of the men who have there were ladies in the car who were of court, incompetency and his appar- unable to protect themselves, and who ent efforts to justify his own conduct had not been constituted as a substitute of the contempt of the men who have the car who were only the contempt of the men who have the car who were only the contempt of the men who have the car who were only the contempt of the car who were only the contempt of the car who were only the contempt of the car who were only the car who were the car who were only the car who were ent efforts to justify his own conduct had not been guilty of any breach of tons more than was contemplated in on the occasion of the outrage instead | law, was beneath men."

Washington, March 9.-So many sen- and Lieutenant Daniel, of the Griffin sational publications have been made rifles, made statements today in reply to the letter of Colonel Withrow, of the concerning the alleged disturbed affairs in Santiago that the secretary of Tenth immunes, to Governor Candler asserting that his men had been fired and three smaller cruisers, of a specialwaf cabled to General Wood to ascerupon yesterday by the state militia at tain the facts. General Wood has re-Griffin and demanding safe conduct to whatever for apprehension or anxlety the state line. Mayor Davis says: When the reprehensible conduct of the soldiers on the first section of the train was reported to me and the citi-

zens appealed for protection from the next section which was due here in about an hour, I at once telephoned Governor Candler and asked him to orler out the Griffin rifles. He promised advise me in twenty minutes whethhe would do so or not, but the second ection was approaching the city and immediate action was necessary, and by the power vested in me as mayor, ordered the Rifles out. My authority for oing so is found in article 3, section 1170 of the Civil Code of this state. The Rifles and all those whom I deputized to meet the train, were on hand Baltimore, and Charles H. Ebbetts and acted in a manner that was above reproach. As long as I am mayor of Griffin I shall use all the means in my power to protect the life and property

ing Mr. Hanlon president. The same In his statement Lieutenant Daniels says: "I received the following or-. of the Brooklyn club, with the excepder from the mayor: tion that A. S. Wall goes on the direc-'Commander Griffin Rifles: Owing Manager Hanlon announced tonight that McGann would go to Brooklyn Macon, while passing through Griffin, with him and would play first base durwhich will be in a few minutes, bring your command to the passenger depot at once and receive orders from With the exception of the catchers

of her citizens.

tively did not."

chief police for preserving order. W. D. DAVIS, Mayor.' "The above order was issued to me inder authority of section 1170. Code of Georgia. I responded to the order as was my duty and reported as instructed to the chief of police at the lepot. I lined my command up and the world down the railroad track about twenty feet from the train of negroes, arms at order. The chief of police ordered half my company about 200 yards west of the depot. Upon the departure of the train the negro troops fired several colleys directly at the citizens and military. This fire was not returned by my men, but the citizens did return the fire. I had given positive orders to my men not to fire and they most posi-

Narrow Escape of a Car Load of People Cicago, March 9 .- Fifty people narrowly escaped death tonight in an accident to a Halstead street electric car dishonest people who try to imitate at North Halstead Street bridge. Appoaching the bridge at rapid speed, of a good article. Worthless goods are not imitated. Get DeWitt's the motorman failed to notice that the bridge was open. When within a few feet of the river he discovered the danger and put on the brakes, at the same time endeavoring to reverse the elec-Richmond, Va., March 9 .- One comtricity current. In spite of his efforts pany of the Eighth (colored) immune the front part of the car ran down upon regiment, sixty-one strong, arrived here the abutments of the bridge and hung onight, having been mustered out. there. One foot further and it would They were met at the depot by a police have plunged into the river, thirty aptain and eighteen stalwart police- feet below, and as it was crowded with men, and informed that they would passengers, the loss of life would probbetter get rid of any firearms in their ably have been large. The motorman, possession and disperse as quietly as thinking that the car was doomed, possible. They took the hint and there warned the passengers and then jumpthat Italy had asked the United States was no trouble. The mayor and chief to support her demands on China and of police were notified that trains with other negro soldiers who had been very car on the abutment, accompanied by from Secretary Hay had refused. It riotous down south were scheduled to the motorman's warning, caused a is stated in an eminent and authorita- pass through the city tonight, but ar- panic among the passengers and they tive quarter that Italy made no such rangements were made with the rail- made a rush for the doors, during request for American support and that there was no declination from this belt line, which is outside of the corman after jumping into the river managed to clutch some piles and keep his head above water until he was dragged Guines, Province of Havana, March

Stove Manufacturers Advance Prices Chicago, March 9.-The stove manufacturers who met at the auditorium hotel today declared, upon adjourning, on Friday last at Bacoled and have been doing excellent work since. The here, is providing temporarily quarters of raw material, they were compelled that owing to the increase in prices Patuxent river. Besides being in a to advance prices 10 per cent.

It was tacitly agreed also that still further advances will be made in the near future. The 10 per cent. increase will take place at once and the sec-ond within sixty days. Ninety per cent. of the stove manufacturers in the coun-Citizens to Form a Vigilance Committee try are said to be in the agreement.

Man and Woman to be Hanged Montreal, March 9 .- At the request of the Catholic priest, it has been decided to hang Sam Parslow and Cordelia Poirier at St. Scholastique tomor-The steamer Gloria, which has arrived here from Curimas, in the northern
part of the island of Luzon, reports
that the steamer Jan Joseph is strong to the contect of the content of the man's husband.

Presented to Commons The Number of Bills and by the Admiralty.

To be Made Still Stronger by Increase of Men and Warships-Wel Hai Wei to be Made a Second Naval Base-The Vast Sums of Money These Additions Call For-To be Prepared to Protect Her Commerce in Case of War. Though Still Advocating Peace

London, March 9 .- In introducing the navy estimates in the house of commons today, the first lord of the admiralty, the Rt. Hon. George J Goshen, said never had estimates been submitted under more unique circumstances. Ahead was the conference for international disarmament, while behind were the incidents of last November, and while a compartson of the naval strength of the various counries was in everybody's mouth, the most striking confidence was shown in British preparedness to meet all emer-

The continental powers, he said, were disturbed by the allegation that Great Britain was preparing, with a particular purpose, for aggressive action, but, the minister asserted, the idea never entered the mind of the government. He then proceeded to detail the naval programme.

Mr. Goshen said her majesty's government proposed to make Wei Hai Wei (the war port on the northern coast of the Shan Tung peninsula) a second naval base, pointing out that it would be a most valuable anchorage of the greatest importance in any operations in Chinese waters and adding that it was proposed to expend £1,300,-000 on Wei Hai Wei during the present year and £1,500,000 next year. Mr. Goshen informed the house that the personnel of the navy for the coming year would be increased by 4,250

men, making a total of 110,640 at a

Referring to ship building, he said the coming programme had been framthe present estimates. This had forc-Griffin, Ga., March 9.-Mayor Davis ed the government to draw up a new programme, excluding last year's supplemental programme, it provided for two iron clads, two armored cruisers ly high speed.

> The money required, therefore, for the coming financial year was £550,-000, and the total under the ship building vote, including the liabilities for last year's original and supplementary programmes, would be £12,817,000, an increase of over £2,000,000. The total estimates were £26,594,000. For armament Mr. Goshen asked an increase of £161,000, chiefly for the

construction of guns, but also for more ammunition for practice, which, he asserted, was a matter of enormous importance, as shown by the late war, Mr. Goshen then announced in behalf the other great naval powers were prepared to diminish their programmes, Great Britain was prepared to modify hers; but if the czar's hopes were not realized, the programme would have to stand.

Mr. Goshen emphasized the purely defensive objects of the naval increase, o imminent danger of riot at the train but said that, in view of the construcof colored troops just mustered out in tion by her rivals of fast cruisers with the avowed purpose of preying upon British commerce, and Great Britain's food supply in the event or war, England was forced to build five new cruisers particularly swift, in order to circumvent these schemes. He also said that the four armored cruisers now being built under the original programme would be the most powerful ships in

In conclusion, the first lord of the Admiralty said the estimates were 'simply the embodiment of the feelings of a peace loving, determined nation." (Cheers.)

As the season of the year when pneumonia, la grippe, sore throat coughs, cold, catarrh, bronchitis and lung troubles are to be guarded against, nothing "as a fine substitue." will "answer the purpose," or is "just as good" as One Minute Cough Cure That is the one infallible remedy for all lung, throat or bronchial troubles Insist vigorously upon having it i omething else" is offered you. R. R. Narrow Escape of the Amphitrite 3

Norfolk, Va., Marhe 9.—The monitor Amphitrite is here from Boston, and has been intending leaving for Port Royal for the past few days, but she has been detained by repairs to her boilers. A leaking pipe leading from the condenser to the boilers had almost filled with bilge, and th boilers would probably have exploded had the leak not been discovered in time. She wil probably leave tomorrow. The naval officers here decline to discuss the possibility of her destruction if the leak

Sallors in Perilous Position Norfolk, Va., March 9.-The revenue cutter Windom, Captain Gooding, from Baltimore, arrived here this afternoon No excuse for it now. 'R. R. Bellamy. after a cruise of several days around the bay. Captain Gooding reports a heavy storm on the bay Tuesday, during which the schooner Ida Thayer of Crisfield, Md., from Tangier sound to Baltimore, with oysters, which had dragged her anchors during the prevalence of a high wind, was found by very perilous position the crew were having a most unpleasant experience when rescued.

Arrest of Frisby and Phelps to be In vestigated Washington, March 9.-Secretary Gage, after consultation with the solicitor of the treasury today, directed that the matter of the recent arrest of Mr. Frisby and Mr. Phelps of the coast and geologic survey at New Orleans, be referred to the United States attorney for that district with a view to an investigation of the conduct of the

New Orleans authorities will be requested to punish the offending officers.

Resolutions Passed.

HER VAST NAVAL FORCE OTHO WILSON'S COURSE

As to the Railway Commission Watched With Interest - Our State to be Represented at the Paris Exposition. Republicans Examining Acts of the Legislature-Decision as to Status of appoint committees. the State Guard-Death of Representative Trotman

Messenger Bureau, Raleigh, N. C., March 9. Not until this morning was the secretary of state able to give the exact number of acts and resolutions ratified by the legislature during its six- new organization. ty-four days' session. He finds that there were 1,107 acts and 79 resoluduced become laws.

missioner, so they can ascertain from him whether he really means to conif his resignation had not been in the hands of the legislature he would not have been vindicated as he was. It is equally safe to say that even then he would have failed, but for the influence which the association of Major J. W. Wilson gave, as both had been re-moved together. Nobody here understands the action of Wilson's attorney. North Carolina will have an exhibit at the Paris exposition and T. K. Bruner will be in charge of it. An old law gives the board of agriculture power to make such exhibits. The materials are in hand, in the magnificent museum. C. C. Cherry, the democrat elected keeper of the capitol by the legislature, today made formal demand on J. L. Burns, fusionist, for that place. Burns old him to make his demand in writing. Cherry will have to bring suit for

the place. The republicans are looking over all the acts relative to changes of officers and are making the assertion that neary all of them will stay in. They are ilso asserting that the rors in the new laws, in wrong citations of chapters of former acts, etc. The number of state convicts today, as reports show, is 1,053. There are 193 federal convicts in the penitentiary. dwindles. Under an act of the present legislature there are ten counties allowed to have state convicts for work on public roads, in consideration of paying all expenses connected with such convicts, so that the state will be at no charge whatever. Under the terms of this act it is expected that perhaps 200 or 300 convicts will be

The assistant adjutant general here lecides in the case of the Governor's Suard, of Raleigh, that the old company (now in service as Company K, of the First volunteers at Havana) has ceased to exist as a state guard organzation and that the new company has all its rights and privileges. This will apply to all the companies of the First colunteers. The state guard companie at practically all the points covered have been reorganized. Sound men between the ages of 18 and 35 years will be enlisted here for the regular army. The recruiting sta-

ion will open next week. The government practically allows the state's claim for \$38,000 of state teers. Already \$2,500 of new stores in place of those taken have been ordered of her majesty's government that if sent here. By October the entire force will be equipped and there will be by marches. It is intimated that there will be an encampment of troops in the east while those in the west may desire a practice march. Representative Trotman, of Gates, whose critical illness in the hospital here was reported yesterday, died after

> "Give me a liver regulator and I can regulate the world," said a genius. The druggist handed him a bittle of De-Witt's Little Early Risers, the famous little Pills. R. R. Bellamy.

The legislature of Utah adjourns sine die without electing a senator Japan is supporting China in her resistance to the Italian demands for a

concession at San Mun: A vast quantity of rock, overhanging the village of Rucuerja, in Spain, falls, a farewell call on the new president destroying many houses and killing eleven people. The report that the Italians have seized San Mun on San Mun bay, prov-

ince of Che Kiang, China, is officially declared unfounded. Beehler, the Wells-Fargo express messenger, charged with absconding from San Antonio with \$50,000 in hi charge, is captured at Bustmente, Mex-

The peace conference, called by the Czar to discuss the possibility of taking steps toward a general disarmament, will meet at the Hague on May The National Tube Works Company,

of Pittsbury, announce that an increase of wages of 10 per cent. will be granted its 6,000 employees, to take effect March 16th. No breaks are reported in the sena-

torial deadlocks. In several states the dates for legislators to adjourn are drawing near and strong efforts will be made to end the contests. Neilson Burgess, better known by his stage name of Neil Burgess, the actor and stage manager, files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. His total lia-

bilities are \$104,059, no assets.

At Houston, Texas, Hon. William ennings Bryan addressed 6,000 people He declared the Chicago platform still stood while that adopted at St. Louis had been violated by its projectors. Before the discovery of One Minute Cough Cure, ministers were greatly disturbed by coughing congregations.

Kipling Much Improved New York, March 9.-At 10 o'clock out dollar for dollar. tonight it was announced that Mr. Kipling was sleeping soundly and had been

for several hours. He was reported as being much better. During the afternoon Mr. Kipling was transferred from the Windom pounding on a ledge in the his old sick room to parlor No. 1 and seemed much pleased with the change. The child Elsie was so much improvthe little brother into the room to play with his sister.

Makes the food more delicious and wholesome

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YOR

NEW BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

Holds its First Meeting and Organizes. A Freight Conductor Found Dead in His Caboose-Ridiculous Error in an Act of the Recent Legislature (Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., March 9.-The state board of agriculture met this afternoon. The members of the old board present were J. D. Moultzby, W. C. Prinkle, J. R. Joyce, Howard Browning, H. E. King, and J. C. L. Harriss. The new board was represented by Jno. S. Cunningham, S. L. Hart, W. D. Smith, R. H. Jones, A. T. McCollum, W. A. Graham, S. T. Waugh, W. A. Dills, J. B. Coffield, W. R. Capehart, J. N. Stevens, J. C. Burch, G. F. Weston and J. Bryan Grimes. Cunningham was elected chairman, with power to

For fish commissioners, Capehart, Coffield and Grimes were selected, but the chairman deferred making other

Loge Harris spoke gracefully for the old board, and said its members would make every effort in assistance of the

By the aid of Harris, a contingent resolution was adopted that until June tions, total 1,186. This is less than ex- 15th the per diem of members should pected. The reason is that fewer than include the time occupied in coming expected were ratified on the last day. to and going from Raleigh. This ac-Almost 50 per cent. of the bills intro- cords with the decision of the attorney general, Harris says. The people here are awaiting the re- Conductor Bickinson, who was in

urn of Otho, Wilson, ex-railway com- charge of a freight train on the Southern railway, was found dead, lying on his face in the caboose of his train totest'S. L. Rogers' right to a seat on day. He was on the run between Pinthe commission. It is safe to say that ner's Point and Selma. His home was at Selma, but was a native of Manchester, Va. A find of copper ore of high grade

is made in this county. T. A. Davis and W. J. Harris, of Wilson, have filed petitions in volunta-

ry bankruptcy. It is found that by a curious error, either of the writer of the bill or the copyist, B. R. Lacy, state labor commissioner, is made tax collector of Bryson City, Swain county. One of the sections of the new law was intended to refer to chapter 251, acts of 1897, regarding inspections of mines, but, instead, refers to chapter 15, which creates the office of tax collector of Bryson City. The error causes much merriment here.

The special appropriations by the legislature aggregate \$235,000.

The board of agriculture met tonight and elected T. K. Bruner secretary and Coffield chairman of the finance committee. The resolution adopted in the afternoon as to the per diem of members was reconsidered and a motion was carried to pay the members only for actual attendance and 5 cents mileage. Professors Withers and Primrose, representing the experiment station, appeared before the board and argued the necessity of action being taken to disinfect cattle in the western counties from ticks or Texas fever. A committee will be appointed to act in the matter. The board will appoint committees and officers tomorrow.

MR. PAGE AT THE UNIVERSITY Walter H. Page Lectures Before the

Students ou "I he Greater Republic" (Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., March 9.-Hon. Walter H. Page, editor of The Atlantic Monthly, lectured in Gerrard hall beguard property taken by the volun- fore the university tonight on "The Greater Republic." He talked on this interesting question for an hour and a quarter and charmed a large audience that time encampments and practice by his eloquence, and was often cheered on reference to our growth and to our increasing associations with the English. The speech was scholarly and interesting throughout and showed deep and mature thought in this honmidnight last night. He was 60 years ored son of Carolina's heart.

> France's Good Will Toward the United States Washington, March 9.-The French

ambassador, M. Cambon, called at the White house today to pay his respects to the president, after an extended visit to Paris, covering the period in which the Spanish Amenican treaty of peace was concluded. The election of M Loubet, as president of France occurred a few days before the ambassador left Paris for Washington. He paid who after a high tribute to the United States, charged the ambassador to convey a personal expression of good will to President McKinley.

To Establish Recruiting Stations Richmond, Va., March 9 .- Major David D. Price, who mustered out the Second and Third Virginia regiments, received orders by telegraph from Washington tonight directing him to report to Major Hartz, the recruiting officer here, for the work of establishing sub-stations throughout the state with two enlisted men from Fort Monros. He leaves Saturday for Lynch-burg. He will establish sub stations at once in Roanoke, Staunton, Harri sonburg and Danville. Stations will be opened in the tidewater towns when the Fourth Virigina regiment reutnrs

National Bank Goes Into Liquidation Memphis, Tenn., March 9 .- The Continental National bank, which has figured extensively in the financial history of Memphis for the past ten years, will go into voluntary liquidation, to be effective April 25th. On the following day another bank will be organized to take its place, backed by local capital. The Continental National bank was organized in 1890 with a capital of \$1,000,000, but several years later this was reduced to \$600,000, on which basis it has since stood. The Continental has ample assets and will pay

Kipling Invited to Kansas City Kansas City, Mo., March 9 .- Rudyard Kipling has been invited to Kansas City to give a reading on Queen Victoria's birthday, May 24th. The invitation was sent through P. E. Burroughe, the British vice consul, and ed today that the physicians allowed was extended in behalf of resident subjects of the queen. Elaborate ceremonies are planned.

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