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PUERTO RICAN BILL IS PASSED BY HOUSE

Final Vote on Measure Taken at 5 O'Clock.

PARTY LINES ARE DRAWN

Few Republicans, Who Could Not Be Whinped Into Line, Voted Against Measure - Quay Case Laid Before Senate Other Matters Considered.

WASHINGTON, April 11 .- The closing straggle over the Paerto Rico tariff bill set for today in the house attracted great growds to the galleries, and all the preparations indicated a field day replete with exciting incidents.

Excitement was at a high pitch when

the speaker's gavel feel at noon. As soon as the reading of the journal was countries of P. Ivania, one of the leaders of the nog saty and a mentler of the committee on rules, presented the special order under which the hon was to operate.

Up othe conclusion of the reading of the rais upon demand of Mr Dalzell, the previous question on its adoption was The rule was adopted, 158 to 143, indicating the passage of the bill. This have 20 minutes for debate on each

side and or the rules. The final vote on the measure resulted its passage on strictly party lines, with the exception of a few Republicans ald not be whipped into line.

When the senate convened a resolution was adopted calling on the president : inform the senate whether any persons have been executed by garrote in Parta Rico since the United States in control, and if so why this d of execution was employed. resolution relating to the Quay

case was haid before the senate and Mr. Barrows of Michigan rose to address himself to it. Mr. Allison of Iowa requested Mr. Burrows to yield to him that be might have the senate take up the District appropriation bill.

THE COMPTROLLER'S REPLY. He Answers Some Inquiries Regarding the Currency Bill.

Washington, April 11.—The comptroll r of the currency, in answer to inquiries today, said:

"Under authority of section 5193, United States revised statutes, national banks have heretofore been permitted to deposit with any assistant treasurer of the United States lawful money in sums not less than \$10,000, and to receive there for a certificate of deposit, which certifies that they were authorized to count it as part of their lawful money reserve.

"Section 6, of the act of March 14. 1900, known as the currency bill, repeals this entire section of the revised statutes and in consequence the banks will hereafter be prohibited from counting such certificates as part of their lawful re-

"There are about \$14,500,000 of these certificates now outstanding which are held entirely by the banks in the principal cities of the east with the exception of a few western ciries and also indicated in their reports as United States certili at s of deposit. The result of this repeal of section (

will be the reappearance in circulation of the light tenders against which the certificates have been issued."

President to Visit Charleston.

CHARLESTON, April 1i.-It has been practically determined that President McKinley will visit Charleston next July, caring the session of the teachers' convention. Frank Q. O'Neill, who with Mayor Smyth, visited Washington and urged the president to come to Charleston, states that President Mc. Kinly took kindly to the invitation and expressed to : pleasure that he would experience in visiting Charleston.

Scizure of Tobacco.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 11.-Five hundred pounds of plug cut tobacco have been seized in various localities by internal revenue agents because the packages were insummently stamped. This tobacco, manufactured by a St. Louis firm, has been put up in packages weighing from an ounce and three-quarters to two ounces and the packages had been uniformly stamped as weighing an ounce and two-thirds.

Wimmer Goes East.

LOUISVILLE, April 11.—Yesterday was a cold, raw, rainy day at Churchill Downs and as a consequence work among the thoroughbreds was devoid of interesting features. The most noteworthy occurre and the day was the leaving of Peter wanmer with the big string of horses owned by ex-Secretary of the Navy Whitney for the east.

Hemp Culture In Carolina.

CAMBEN, S. C., April 11.-A epecial agriculture has been to the South were \$45,724,540.90, and for the first Carolina state farms during the past few days for the purpose of planting experimental plats of China and Italian hemps to test the practicability of growing them in the climate and soil of this

Murdered and Robbed His Wife.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 11.—For he possession of \$1 his wife had earned by doing washing, Charles J. Williams murdered the woman at Cummer's sawmill, 4 miles east of Jacksonville. Wilhams took the dollar from his dying Wife's hand and left the house. He escaped and no effort was made to capture he will go.

To Be Tried For Embezzlement. RALEIGH, April 11.—At the approachag term of the federal court here two negro postmasters are to be tried for em-

Kellogg Gets Four Years. New YORK, April 11.

CLARK WILL LOSE HIS SEAT. Committee on-Elections Report Against Montana Senator.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Soon after the senate convened today Mr. Jones of Arkansas introduced and had adopted a resolution calling on the president, if not incompatible with the public interest, to transmit to the senate a detailed statement of the expenses of the commissioner general of the Paris exposition, and also to state the salaries of all employes of the commission.

Mr. Jones stated that in the report already filed with the senate the detailed items of expenses and salaries were not included in accordance with the law. This he believed ought to be remedied hence his resolution.

Mr. Chandler then asked unanimous consent that two weeks from date, on April 24, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, a vote be taken on the resolution relative to the seating of the Hon. M. S. Quay as a senator from Pennsylvania.

Mr. Burrows expressed the hope that there would be no objection to the re-Without opposition the resolution of

Mr. Chandler was agreed to. The senate committee on elections have decided by a unanimous vote to recommend the declaration that the seat of Senator Clark of Montana is vecant. The decision was reached after a two hours' sitting at which all the members of the committee were present except one. The absentee was Senator Caffery of Louisiana and he wired his vote in opposition to Mr. Clark.

MANY TOWNS ARE IN DANGER

Reports From Various Points Show That Rivers Are Rising.

Dallas, April 10.—The flood situation in Texas this morning remains practically the same as yesterday. Most of the rivers appear to be at a stand, more rises and rain are feared, however, as the weather is cloudy, murky and generally threatening.

The outlook in the Indian Territory is serious. A bulletin from Denison at 9:30 o'clock this morning says the Red river there is slowly rising, but no immediate danger is feared. The worst outlook in the Indian Territory is that the Canadian river is tremendously high and its rising waters are nearly up to the tracks of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad and many thousands of dollars worth of property is in danger.

Reports from the town of LaGrange and Fayette county this morning show that the water in the Colorado river continues to rise. The lower part of La-Grange is inundated. No loss of life is reported from these sections. It is rumored here that the town of

Lebanon, in Bee county, was swept by a tornado early this morning and is in a wrecled condition. Owing to lack of communication nothing can be learned as to the effect of the storm.

From Wharton county come reports that everything is under water, although no loss of life is reported. The Brazos river is rising rapidly, inundating a vast acreage and doing much

damage to property.

CONFICT OF AUTHORITY. Labor Troubles Precipitates Serious

Differences Between Officials. MIDDLESBORO, Tenn., April 9.—There is still a suppressed feeling entertained by both political parties to the local labor troubles here Saturday night. Sheriff Bougton has taken several prisoners to Pineville for safe keeping. Chief of Police King has not yet shown up and it is not known where he is. A number of special deputy sheriffs are on duty and the Republicans say they will be kept as long as they are needed. The Democratic council has swern in no additional policemen, but the old force is now performing its duties unmolested. It is understood a large number of Win-

chester rifles have been shipped in. The general opinion is that there will be no further clash of authority and that both sides will permit the officers of the other to perform their duties unmo-

Deputy Sheriff Charles Cecil who was shot Saturday night, has suffered the amoutation of a leg. Judge Bosworth, the Republican who was reinstated is holding city court today and the Democratic officials are in attendance.

SECRETARY GAGE'S REPLY. He Sends Statement to House Relative

to War Revenue.

WASHINGTON, April 10 .- In reply to the house resolution asking for information relative to the war revenue tax, Secretary of the Treasury Gage has sent a comprehensive report on the subject to the house. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900, he estimates the receipts at \$560,000,000, leaving an estimated surplus of \$70,000,000. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1901, the receipts are estimated at \$495,000,000, while the surplus is placed at \$82,000,000. Internal revenue taxes received under war revenue act of June 13, 1898, upon articles agent of the United States department | not heretofore taxed, for fiscal year 1899,

DR. MELLEN HAS RESIGNED.

nine months of the present fiscal year

ending March 31, \$33,330,708.68.

Retires From Chair of Greek and His-

tory at University of Tennessee. KNOXVILLE, April 10 .- Dr. George F. Mellen has tendered his resignation as professor of Greek and history at the University of Tennessee. Dr. Mellen is one of the leading educators of the south and came to the university eight years ago. He was originally from Demopolis, Ala. He has not announced where

The board of trustees have created a department of history, economics and sociology and have elected James D. Hoskin, A. M., associate professor in

charge. Dr. Davis Dies Suddenly. KNOXVILLE, April 13.-Dr. L. W. Da ris, a leading physician of this city, died planning to leave tomorrow for a kep to California for his health and was at the house of his mother at Tampino, items what he died.

BRITISH SUSTAIN SEVERE REVERSES

Six Hundred Are Killed and

Heavy Engagement Fought There. Details Unobtainable-Boers Bombard Ladysmith - Moving to Cut the British Line-Roberts' Report.

LONDON, April 11.—The seventh month of the war in South Africa opens with dispatches from Boer sources of another British disaster. If the news can be trusted, a terrible reverse has been inflicted upon the British arms. According to an official announcement in Pretoria a battle has been fought south of Brandfort, in which the British suffered a loss of 600 killed and wounded in addition to 800 captured by the Boers. This intelligence is amply confirmed by a cer-respondent on the Boer side, who reports from Brandfort that General Dewet on Saturday defeated the British for the third time within a week, the scene of this last engagement being Meertkatsfontein.

No confirmation has been received from British sources of the reverse. Lord Roberts wires the war office from Bloemfontein under date of Tuesday,

April 10, as follows: "The enemy have been very active during the past few days: One comnando is now on the north bank of the Orange river, not far from Aliwalnorth, while another is attacking Wepener. The garrison there is holding out bravely and inflicted serious loss on the Boers. Major Springe of the Cape mounted rifles was killed. No other casualties have been reported as yet.

"The troops are being moved up ray dly, A patrol of six men of the Sev enth Dragoon guards, under Lieutenaut Wetherly, which has been reported missing since April 7, has returned

safely." Boer Dispatch Discredited.

As the foregoing dispatch does not mention the alleged British reverse on Sunday at Merketsfontein, the Boer dispatches are not credited at the war office and they are further discredited on account of the discrepancies in the dispatches, as Merketsfontein in one message is located near Brandfort and in another it is located southeast of Bleemfontein, the places being 100 miles apart.

General Gatacre's reiurn to England is accepted as being in the nature of a recall, though no reason is given for it and it will be associated with his lack of success. Lord Roberts criticised his management of the Stormburg attack, and possibly Gatacre's having arrived an hour and a half too late to rescue the Reddersburg force may have decided his

General Rundle, seemingly, succeeds General Gatacre and according to a dispatch from Bloemfontein, the commanders of several brigades are about to be

changed. The Reuter Telegram conpany's correspondent at Aliwalnorth, wiring this

morning, savs: "There is no further news from Wepener. Too cloudy to heliograph. More British troops are arriving. In view of the state of unrest across the border Lord Roberts has proclaimed a warning to Cape Colonists that further

acts of hostility will be treated with the

utmost rigor of martial law.

Boers Bombard Lndysmith. LADYSMITH, April 11. - The Boers opened fire Tuesday morning early, sending shells into the British camp at Elandslaagte from three positions widely separated. The shells did no damage. The troops moved out to reconnoiter and found the Boers in strong force and well fortified. One naval 4.7-inch gun replied to the Boers, who have again placed a Long Tom in position.

Advices from Aliwalnorth place the British loss in the fighting at Wepener yesterday at 11 killed and 41 wounded. Fighting was resumed today. The British are holding their own well.

When the Boers commenced shelling, the British were drilling, and one pri-vate was killed and another wounded before the soldiers were withdrawn from range. Then the naval brigade opened fire and drew a heavy Boer rusillade and two gunners were killed. The naval men stuck to their position, however, and the Boers unmasked six guns, in-cluding a 100-pounder, and shells fell in all the British camps. After three hours' bombardment the British fire slackened and the burghers cleared from a kopje on the right when a British shell lit on the spot occupied by their gun. Another commando was seen moving toward the British left apparently with the intention of flanking them, but the British shells forced them to retire.

In the afternoon the naval brigade again fired a few shells. It is rumored that a body of Boers has gathered southwest of Elandslaagte with the apparent intention of cutting the British lines of communication.

General Cleary directed today's ope-Buller visited Elandslaagte General

today.

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W. A. NEAL PLACED ON TRIAL. Judge Benet Refused Motion For Change of Venue.

ROCKINGHAM, N. C., THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 1900.

COLUMNIA, S. C., April 19.-The attorney for Colonel W. A. Neal, ex-superintendent of the penitentiary, charged with embezzling funds, made a hard fight for him. Motion for change of Wounded Near Brandfort. venue was made and argued, but Judge Benet refused the motion. A continu-

ance was then asked on the ground that material witnesses were absent.

The judge promised reasonable time to get witnesses. Efforts were then made to quash all juries drawn for this THE BATTLE AT WEPENER term, as was recently done in Charleston and several other counties. This failed, and the final and unsuccessful effort was to quash the indictments against Neal on various grounds. The case was called for trial and 11 jurymen had been drawn when the panel was exhansted. Jurymen were put on the voir

> An extra venire was ordered drawn. There are many witnesses for both sides. The attorney general, with assistants, is conducting the prosecution, while Colonel Neal has a powerful array of at-

ITALIANS ARE MADE SLAVES. Laborers Are Horribly Treated N

Phosphate Mines. COLUMBIA, S. C., April 7.—The governor has received another communication from Italian Consul Branchi of New York in reference to the treatment of phosphate laborers at Pon Pon. One of them makes affidavit that Italian la-

borers are made practically slaves by an Italian contractor and that they are only able to make about 80 cents a day, which is charged up to them for board. He makes affidavit that an Italian guard shot and killed a laborer who refused to work because he was suffering from

Frank Q. O'Neill, president of the Hibernia Savings bank, Charleston, writes governor that the Italian's story is trae, and says it is a disgrace on the civilization of the country the way the laborers are treated.

BRIDEGROOM DOING TIME. Bride Travels 400 Miles and Is Mar

ried in Jail. CHARLESTON, April 10.-Miss Lizzie Gammon of Nashville is the heroine of a somewhat romantic marriage that was solemnized here Sunday. The groom is a soldier, William S. Guest, a member of the ambulance corps stationed on Sullivan's island, who is now serving a 20-

day sentence for fighting. The wedding day was set for Palm Sunday, and the young lady arrived from Atlanta Sunday to wed her soldier lover. Upon making inquiries as to his whereabouts she learned that he was in ail. Accompanied by a minister Miss Gammon repaired to the prison where she met her lover and the marriage cere-

mony performed. The bride repaired to a hotel, while the groom returned to his cell to complete his sentence.

AN INTERESTING SUIT FILED.

Right of Southern Railway to Operate the South Carolina Contested. EDGEFIELD, S. C., April 10. - The final papers in the case of Bell & Davis against the Southern Railway company were filed last week. This case involves the right of the Southern to own, lease or operate the South Carolina and Georgia railroad. Under the act of 1897 no railroad in the state can own, lease or operate a competing line of road; and the road so owning, leasing or operating a competing line has to pay a penalty of \$100 dollars a day for every day it owns or operates the competing line. The Southern secured control of the South Carolina and Georgia road in April, 1899.

The case will not be heard probably before April, 1902, thus making the Southern liable to a fine of \$100 a day for two years, or 730 days, which means a total of \$78,000. Constitutional Amendment Fight. RALEIGH, April 10 .- Speaking of the constitutional amendment fight, Walter H. Neal, chairman of the state election

board, said: "I predict that in 60 days the constitutional amendment fight will be settled, and that the opponents of the amendment will virtually withdraw from the field." The amendment in juestion is one to be voted on in August which disqualifies illiterate negroes from voting. Nearly every Democratic leader in the state is here to attend the Democratic state convention Wednesday. All the candidates are here.

Charged With Murder.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 10 .- The trial of Harvey and John Jackson for burning Cassie Boan, a young white girl, is on in Chesterfield. Four men were arrested. The solicitor decided to separate the cases. The crime was committed three weeks ago, after a number of men had kept the girl in the woods for 30 hours.

Carolina's Cotton Mills.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 10.—The development of the cotton manufacturing three months of the present year is some-thing phenomenal. The capital invested in new mills and additions to those already in operation exceeds \$5,000,000.

Beer Problem Solved.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 9 .- The state board of dispensary directors have finally settled the beer question. After June 12 only 13 towns in the state will have beer dispensaries. Columbia and Charleston will have two each and 11 other towns one each.

Parker Gets Life Sentence. COLUMBIA, S. C., April 9 .- E. H.

Parker has been convicted of the murder of Wade Hampton Bourn at Chesterfield and sentenced to life imprison-ment. The jury returned a verdict of guilty with recommendation to mercy. Mob Hunting Negro. ANDERSON, S. C., April 9.-Nancy

Taylor, a negro woman was assaulted by an unknown negro man near here while returning to her home. Negroes organized a page and

THE WAR IN **SOUTH AFRICA**

Boers Vigorously Attack British at Wepener--Losses Heavy.

fighting had again begun.

General Brabant's force, numbering from 2,000 to 3,000, hold positions in rough country. It is not known what the numerical strength of the Boers is but whatever it may be, it is being rapidly augmented. A body of 2,000 Boers is marching toward Springfontein from Smithfield, between Wepener and Springfontein. The detonation of heavy on Monday. Sir Godfrey Lagden, the British resident commissioner of Basutoland, has left

Maseru for the border. The events in the southeast portion of the Free State have caused the Eighth division, which had been ordered to Fourteen Streams, to be dispatched to

Mysterious movements of troops at Bloemfontein are proceeding. The newspaper correspondents are not allowed to telegraph their destinations and the presumption is that Lord Roberts is making a disposition to cut off the raids of the Boer forces when they try to withdraw northward from the pursuing British

occupied country has caused a revival of the warlike feeling among the Free drawn. Staters of the Fauresmith and Philipbusy getting details of the surrendered Boers, and owing to the British garri-sons being withdrawn from these districts the British residents are uneasy and have sent delegates to Springfon-tein to ask for help. They were told that steps for their defense would be im-

mediately taken.

The war office proposes to land at Cape Town before the end of May 20,000 horses, which will be conveyed there in 23 steamers sailing from New Orleans. Buenos Ayres and Australian ports. A dispatch from Aliwalnorth says an engagement took place yesterday at Wepener. The Boers' Vickers-Maxim did considerable execution at first, but the British guns soon got the range and

mando has gone to Wepener.

mandos are attacking the town. News has been received of the ad ward Mafeking. The Boers opened fire at sunrise with seven guns, including one 100-pounder. This has been the most vigorous bombardment of the ready fired over 60 rounds. Under cover of the fire the Boers ad

vanced to the northern face of the works. but retired recipitately on coming within rifle range.

The Boers under Commandant Jan Colonel Plumer in order to make a final

effort to reduce the town. arms and everybody is under cover.

Boers' last attempt. A dispatch from Pietermaritzburg says heavy caunonading commenced this norning in the vicinity of Elaands-

A dispatch from Ladysmith says the Boers have posted a big gun on Knights hill, north of Elandslaagte, and another in the vicinity of Wessels Nek station. The enemy are reported to be strongly intrenched at Helpmakaar.

Advices from Mafeking say a band of

armed Kaffirs left Mafeking, through the burghers' lines, during the night of April 5 and were followed and surrounded in the bush, where they were shelled by a Maxim-Nordenfeldt gun. The Boers then stormed the Kaffir position, killing 31. The Kaffirs fought

berg and in the Free State, mostly between natrols. A Ladysmith dispatch says heavy firing was heard early this morning in the

direction of Sundays river. It contin-

engagement have been received It is expected that the Boers will enindustry in South Carolina for the first deavor to retake and destroy the bridge over the Orange river. Consequently, extraordinary precautions have been taken. A force of Boers is located 12 miles east. As a matter of fact, the Boers practically again hold the Free State eastward of the railroad and are

Redddersburg and Korn Spruitt. Advices from Accra, British Gold Coast Colony, say: A relieving force of 100 hussars has started for Kumassie. As this body of troops is considered in-sufficient, a larger force is being concentrated in the Hinterland. Kumassie is evidently invested. The Ashanti have captured several native teachers and their families. The rising is spreading.

Prisoners at St. Helena. ISLAND OF ST. HELENA, April 10 .- The

health is good, with the exception of four cases of measles, necessitating the Milwaukee being quarantined. The prisoners are quiet and well behaved. They will probably land tomorrow. The governor has been notified of the desire of the authorifies that the prisoners be involved.

LONDON, April 10 .- The Boar attack on General Brabant's force at Wepener was resumed again at dawn today. The enemy's attack on two or three sides on Monday lasted until 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the firing ceased, and it was believed that the enemy had been beaten off, but it was announced this morning from Aliwalnorth that the

Springfontein.

The reappearance of the Boers in the

The Boers are reported to have ventured to the Biggarsberg and to be posting heavy guns 4 miles north of Elandslaagte. They are also said to have fortifled the vicinity of Wessel's Nek.

did great havoc. The Rouxville com-The fighting was severe and lasted all day long. The Boers received a check. The casualties were rather heavy on both sides. Another commando is advancing toward Wepener from Dewett's

Heavy fighting was continued at Wepener this (Tuesday) morning. The re-sult is unknown. Three Boer comvance of the southern relief column to-

The Boer siege gun alone has al-

They also advanced to the southwestern posts, but were repulsed. Cronje are evidently falling back before he advance of the southern relief column and are concentrating with two commandos, who are retiring before

All the forts and outlying positions are manned, the troops are standing to All are convinced that this is the

stubbornly. Skirmishes are reported at Biggars-

ned for a few hours No details of the greatly encouraged by their successes at

Niobe and the Milwaukee have arrived here with the Boer prisoners. Their

Cobwebs about a house are usually the sign that the housewife has more than she can do, the way she goes about it; that all her time and strength are utilized in doing heavy work; that she uses soap in her cleaning. If she

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ville on one train.

FREE COCKTAILS ARE SERVED

Whisky Dumped In Custom House Sewer Flows Into Cisterns. CHARLESTON, April 9 .- One thousand dollars worth of fine Cabinet rye whisky was dumped into the sewer of the custom house the other day, while state constables were trying to break in the doors. The constables were making things so hot for the officials the other day that 39 barrels of liquor could not be removed, and in order to throw aside suspicion the liquor had-to be poured into the sewers. There was so much dumped at once that the pipes could not carry it off and as a result a great part

from which the drinking water was Every cooler in the building was piked." The officials refused to drink. The water was tested and the liquor was in evidence so strongly that the negroes from the water front got in droves and begged for a taste.

pipes and finally drifted into the cistern

The water from the custom house cistern is used at the Clyde Steamship company's office and the clerks mixed cocktails. The only ingredients needed were sugar and ice and a dash of bitters. It was really surprising how strong the drinks were and for a time the fact that free drinks were on tap created a decided sensation about the custom house.

It was a novel experience. DISPENSARY BOARD MEETS.

First Session Held Under the New State Law. COLUMBIA, S. C., April 7 .- The state board of directors of the dispensary are holding their first meeeting under the new law. There being a question as to the terms of office of the incumbent county boards of control, the board has decided that they are not affected by the fact that the new law provides a different method of selecting them and that new

boards have been selected by the legislative delegates in each county. The old boards will hold till their terms expire. Several months ago the old board of control decided that beer privileges would be abolished after June next, allowing the people engaged in the business some time to prepare for closing up. The directors now announce that the terms of the privilege of all such dispensers will end June 12, and it will then be for the present board to decide

whether beer dispensaries are to continue or not. The board is purchasing liquor under the new regulations. So far about 1,400 barrels of corn have been ordered. The orders at the meeting will include sup-

plies for two months. WILL IMPROVE THE TOWN.

Union May Issue Bonds For Sewerage and Waterworks. Union, S. C., April 9.—At the last council meeting a petition was presented signed by a majority of the freeholders of the town, praying council to order an election to ascertain whether coupon bonds to the amount of \$50,000 shall be issued. The bonds desired are \$25,000 for the building and equiping of a sew-erage system, \$12,000 for the improvement of the waterworks and \$12,000 for

The request was granted and an election is ordered on April 25.

the erection of a town hall.

Operators Sign the Scale. COLUMBUS. O., April 7. - It is announced at the state headquarters of the United Mine Workers that an agreement has been reached between the miners and operators of the Bellaire district at the new Philadelphia mine and all differences settled. The Indianapolis conference scale was signed and a new scale made granting an increase of 20 per cent to outside day laborers. About 5,000

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CASTORIA.

Seven Bridal Couples. GREENVILLE, S. C., April 7 .- Conducfor Faancis had seven bridal couples on his train, the Southern's vestibuled No. 38, going north Friday afternoon. Six of them boarded the train at Greenville. They were the three Messrs. Stokes and brides. A fourth couple was Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGee of Nebraska. This is probably the greatest number of brides and grooms ever carried through Green-

BOSTON

Will Improve the Property.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 7.—The working committee of the South Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical society are in the city making plans for expending in of the stuff was forced through other buildings and other improvements the money received from the Seaboard Air Line for right-of-way through a quarter of a mile of the society's land on the needed additions and improvements will

Negroes Break Jail.

AIKEN, S. C., April 9.—Jailer Pitner

was overpowered by George and John

road cut and fled to the woods. The

McHan, two desperate negroes, who took the jail keys from him and made their escape. They scaled the brick wall and then slid down into the rail-

sheriff, with a posse and dogs from the chaingang, is in pursuit. Woman Burned to Death. FLORENCE, S. C., April 9 .- Mrs. John Jolly was burning trash in the field near her home in this county, when her dress caught fire and her clothes were burned off before help could reach her. She was

practically unconscious when her brother, who was in the field, reached her.

Negro In Lady's Room. WAYCROSS, Ga., April 11 .- Shortly after retiring last night Miss Nora Lee Smith, hearing a noise in her room, lighted a lamp to investigate and discovered a negro crouched behind the dressing case. Frightened she dropped the lamp, screamed and ran into the hallway where she met her father, who had been attracted by her cries, to whom she told of her discovery. Her father rushed into the room, but the negro had jumped through the window to the

ground, a distance of 25 feet, and es-

Channel Is Filling Up. JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 11 .- The channel of the St. Johns river from Jacksonville to the ocean filled up depth of 1 foot during the past year and the government has sent the dredge Cape Fear to open it up. Duval county has spent \$800,000 on improving the harbor and channel and the government appropriations have been inadequate. No large ocean liners can cross the St.

Johns bar at present.

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