Close of Hearing in Dockery-Bellamy Contest.

OSBORNE ON NEGRO RULE

When a Black Policeman Can Lay His Handson a White Woman and Arrest Her It Hakes Caucasian Blood Boil-Election of Bellamy Cannot Be Invalidated by Evidence of Intimidation in Three Counties,

#### By JOHN BOYLE.

Dockery-Beliamy contested election ease was resumed this morning Mr. Bushes took up the thread of his argument and concluded his remarks on has pointries he made a statement that there was no evidence to prove sup-

the case is reopened. Mr. Bushre-We do not fear a re-

opening of the case.

should be opened up?

tall daes not show that there was sufficient people kept away from the polls to change the result.

Mr. Green-Could not the contestant have shown the colored suppressed

Mr. Busber-He could have, but did

Mr. Green-And the suppressed vote would not have changed the result if all had voted for Dockery? Mr. Busbee-It would not.

Chairman Weaver-Is not a racial question in North Carolina the same as political one? that is, divded along political lines?

Mr. Busbee-No. sir; it is not the Mr. Bushee then took up the case of Rachmond county, and said that in that county there was some evidence of intimidation in sporadic cases, but even if you throw out all this county would not change the result in the district. And you cannot disfranchise all the other counties in the district because of some trouble in one county. This rule, he said, was laid down by a Republican Congress in the case of Coleman vs. Buck and in a Democratic ingress in the case of Hurd vs.

Komeis. Mr. Busbee telesed by saying that he felt that he had not done the case jushe. He had undertaken it largely as a labor of love, yet he could not close w hour some reference to the contestee, Mr. Bellamy, whom Colonel ludley had characterized as a hypothe and conspirator. It was not necesany even here, he felt, to defend Mr. clamy's character. In North Carolina would be a work of supererogation. And yet he could not help saying that in all North Carolina, from her mountalls to the sea, in no man's heart was the thought of murder, fraud, violence and hypocrisy further removed than from the heart of the contestee.

### Mr. Osborne Speaks.

Mr Osborne addressed the committee but he point of reopening the case, and contended that until it could be shown full roles were suppressed in sufficontraumbers to change the result the case could not be under the law reopened. He cited any number of witheses who refused to testify to any intanidation or fraud. They had all he opportunity, but did not avail themserves of it.

lie admitted that there had been some intimidation in New Hanover, Rehmond and Robeson counties, but hat enough to throw out these three counties. But if you throw out all the three counties, still, he claimed, Bellamy is elected by the counties in which not even the contestant alleges detailed attent. But in this district in 1896. Does intimidation detease votes, he asked.

Mr. ()shorne then spoke in most feel-5ng and eloquent terms of negros dom-

mation in Wilmington. Colonel Dudley-Do you mean to say that only negroes hold office?

Mr. Osborne-I mean that when a hegro policeman can put his hand on a white woman's shoulder and arrest her, it is then that the white man's blood boils.

Coming to Colonel Waddell's speech, in which he said they would carry the as shafts. eaction if they had to fill the Cape Fear River with the bodies of negroes, Mr. Osborne commented that that was which Mr. Bellamy had no concern. It well known that the two men are not in accord, although of the same

Mr. Springer, a northern man, was whatel as saying that Mr. Waddell's special was not well received by the sepulace; his advice was not acted

upon before the election.

Colonel Dudley closed for Mr. Dockery in an hour's talk. In the course of the proceedings Mr.

Bushes submitted an affidavit from Martin T. Davis, formerly of Wilming ton, but now of Washington, D. C., in which he states that Dowling in 1897 was in jail in Tennessee for burglary

Dowling was now under bond of \$200 to appear at the Criminal Court of Wilmington for burglary, robbery, etc. Mike Dowling, in an affidavit, stated that the White Union of Wilmington had recommended the murder of negroes, and this affidavit of Davis' was simply to show to what low cattle the contestant had to resort.

#### Washington Notes.

George H. Smathers did not appear today before the sub-committee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, but it is He Tells What Will Be the Effect of Northern Cape Colony Clear of the here awaiting his pleasure. The contract for carrying the mails

from Cox to Jackson's Creek has been awarded to F. E. Link. Drs. Duyard and Duffy-have been ap-

pointed pension examining surgeons at New Bern. Pensions have been granted to resi-

dents of North Carolina as follows: Dennis Perkins, Wilmington, \$6; Starkey Smallwood, Windsor, \$6: Washington, March 6.-When the Dolphine Gurley, Windsor, \$6; David New Bern, \$8.

Fourth class postmasters have been appointed in North Carolina as follows: Wiley S. McKee, at McAdens-New Hanover county. 'n the course of ville, Gaston county, vice J. M. Skidmore, removed; William M. Brafford, at Providence, Chatham county, vice

J. G. Phillips, resigned; William B. Money, at Republic, Yadkin county, Colonel Dudley-We can show it if vice Benjamin C. Money, resigned: opening of the case.

Mr. Landis-Don't you think the case | County, vice John Deal, resigned; provide. He gave notice that he would speak on the resolution next Friday.

| Shall Lord Roberts is opposed by a county, vice John Deal, resigned; provide. He gave notice that he would speak on the resolution next Friday. county, vice Mrs. P. L. Reinhardt, re- A bill was passed appropriating no news except reports of minor skir- Town for Naaupoort.

Congressman Kitchin was today noti-Military (Academy July 14. He will dispose of the place by competitive exlamination.

#### STORM IN SEVEN STATES

#### Bailroads and Telegraph Systems Damaged by Snow and Wind.

Chicago. March 6 .- For the last thirty-six hours the States of Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin have experienced a series of storms remarkable for their severity. The center, however, appears to have been through Wisconsin and Illinois and along Lake Michigan, where heavy snow, changing to hail, then to rain, and accompanied by a wind that at times amounted to a gale, has resulted in a partial demoralization of the telegraph systems and has badly crippled railway service.

### MORE THAN FIFTY KILLED

### Seventy Men Imprisoned in a Coal Mine.

Few Escape Alive From Consequences of an Explosion of Gas-Forty Bodies Taken Out and Rescuers Still at Work.

Montgomery, W. Va., March 6.-By an explosion of gas in the Red Ash mines this morning seventy men were imprisoned. Twelve men have been removed, five of whom are dead and the others in a critical condition. The remainder are in the mine with no hope of relief.

At 1 o'clock forty dead had been taken out and the rescuing party was still hard at work.

Long Acre, W. Va., March 6.-More than fifty men were killed by an exmen went into the mines.

there were cast 40,503 votes, 11,000 Thus far only about thirty have been not recorded as voting. accounted for. Fifty coffins have been ordered from Charleston. No further

particulars can be obtained. The Red Ash mines are situated in Fayette county, West Virginia, and are in the heart of the Fire Creek coal & Ohio road runs. The mine consists altogether of drifts instead of shafts. Drifts are the simplest form of mines. as the tunnel runs like a railroad tunnel into the side or a mountain instead of being sunk from the top

The drifts are the more dangerous of the two classes, however, as they Mr. Waddell's own utterance, with are more liable to cave in than are shafts. The Red Ash has only drift mines, the veins of coal being so the committee. He said that the true abundant in that region as to render unnecessary the sinking of shafts.

Delegates to Republican Convention New Orleans, March 6.-The Wimberley Republicans have elected as delegates at large from Louisiana to the National Republican Convention A. T. Wimberley and ex-Governor W. P. Kellogg (whites) and Addison Vance and Richard Sims (colored).

# Hitt Renominated for Congress

Freeport, Ill., March 6.-Robert R. and wrote to him (Davis) for a letter Hitt was renominated for Congress by help him out, and afterwards told acclamation at the Republican conhim that his (Dayis') letter sayed him; gressional convention here today.

## SPOKEN also the affidavit of the captain of GOLD STANDARD BILL THE ROAD TO COLENSO

Party Lines Closely Drawn on Dante's Inferno Outdone by Its Passage.

## SENATOR ALLEN'S VIEWS BOERS IN FULL RETREAT

the Bill and Aldrich Denies Every Material Proposition - Chandler Votes Against the Bill and There Were Three Democrats Recorded as Not Voting.

Washington, March 6 .- In the Sen-Bass, Wilmington, \$8; Hessie Marshall, |can) addressed the Senate against seat-full retreat to the Orange Free State.

ing Mr. Quay from Pennsylvania. of the constitution.

Hannah A. Warren, at Balsam, Jack- duced a resolution authorizing the greatly facilitated. son county, vice Ida M. Bryson, se- President to govern the Philippine From Osfontein, where Field Marsigned; Hugh Taylor, at Joy, Burke Islands until Congress shall otherwise shall Lord Roberts is opposed by a

Mr. Bushow-II do not so think, as Allegheny county, vice Mrs. V. E. S6,000 to make needed repairs of the road between New Bern, N. C., and The position gained by General Brathe national cemetery near that city. fied by Secretary Root that he would the erection of a public building in Times' correspondent the Boers' numhave an appointment to West Point Wheeling, W. Va., at a cost not to ex- bers alone enabled them to retreat and wounded from which the mules ceed \$400,000.

> that the adoption of the gold-standard stretcher party. was "a gross violation of the Republican policy as enunciated in the Rethe Republican party had made no honest effort to bring about bimetal-

Mr. Aldrich, chairman of the Finance Committee, said:

same denial."

In discussion of the bill, Mr. Allen burghers. Rhode Island denies that?"

"I do," replied Mr. Aldrich, Mr. Allen, sarcastically. - HO S 125

out the part of the bill," retorted Mr. tute the most difficult and deciding Aldrich, "which provides that all feature of the war. in gold."

Every contract is reduced to the advance is eagerly awaited. gold standard."

not in the interest of the people. "It way. A strong force, including the a campaign proposition liable to be rior labor with American labor; the is simply a stupendous scheme for Kimberley Light Horse, is moving popular with the people. Not under-manufacture of goods in the Philipbuncoing the people." he declared. "It north from Kimberley. It is not stated standing the proposition or disregard- pines with cheap labor and their shipnothing else." Further along Mr. It is presumed that the troops are act to accommodate the policy to every with goods manufactured here; the Allen asserted that the pending meas-companied by a large contingent of conceivable interest which they feel disruption of the open-door policy ssuance of bonds.

senator (Aldrich) will deny that." Aldrich, "would ever make such a statement, because it is not true."

Mr. Allen especially attacked the measure because of the favors which, he said, it extended to the national Fancy Prices Paid for Luxuries Taken banks.

After Mr. Allen concluded the vote Ladysmith, Saturday, March 3.plosion in the Red Ash coal mine on 44, nays 25, on strict party lines, ex- ering northward today saw a body of the New river today. The explosion cept that Senator Chandler voted with Boers behind Pepworth Hill. Two long occured this morning soon after the the Democrats, and Senators Clark of trains, which were ready to leave, From eighty to one hundred went in. Lindsay of Kentucky, Democrats, were reached them, and the Boers blew up The Ex-President Able to Take Pleas-

today, without preliminary business, ish did not press the attack and the resumed consideration of the Aldrich-Boer fire ceased on the British retirregion, through which the Chesapenke Robbins contested election case from ing. The Boer camp showed many the Fourth Alabama district, which evidences of the presence of women. was taken up last Friday. Mr. Rob- An auction was held of things

contestant, Mr. Aldrich.

Mr. Glynn, of New York, was the next speaker, opposing the report of reason why certain precincts were selected by the committee to be thrown Boer position has now been fairly loout was because in them Robbins got cated as about four miles from the more votes than Aldrich.

taining his seat, the secretary of the river, was shelled by General French has been very pathetic. She has there Senate announced the adoption of the this morning. conference report on the Financial Apparently the space between the her speech and actions were childish. bill. At the conclusion of Mr. De Armountain and the river has been in Her trouble began in February, 1898, mond's speech, the House, at 4:55, ad-trenched. South of the river the Boer when she was found one morning in Pittsburg, March 6.-Maj. James journed until today.

## Admiral Walker Arrives at Colon rived here from Panama,

Actual Scenes.

riving at Mooi River Emaciated and Exhausted-Military Critics Expect Roers to Make a Most Determined Stand in the Transvaal.

London, March 6.-2:05 p. m.-The ate Mr. Simons of Oregon (Republi- Boers in northern Cape Colony are in The possession of Stormberg puts Mr. Hoar followed Mr. Simons with General Gatacre in railroad communia brief reply to the latter's statement eation with General Clements at Colesthat he expected to vote against the berg, for though the Boers partially seating of Mr. Quay. His argument wrecked the railroad, it is understood was one relating to the interpretation that it can be quickly repaired and thus the entrance of additional Brit-Mr. Scott of West Virginia intro- ish troops into the Free State will be

bant at Dordrecht is reported to be ex- that he cannot hear of any formed Porto Rico, but the government must A bill was also passed providing for ceedingly strong. According to the body of them anywhere. The Boers from Dordrecht practically unhindered. had been taken for transport service." tions to the United States as the pres-Mr. Allen of Nebraska then address. He also reports a violation of the white flag by the Boers, and that they

to leave Ladysmith and is arriving at the station is intact. Mooi River camp, where the troops emaciated and exhausted, and say the results.] road to Colenso presents scenes that exceed in horror those depicted in Dante's Inferno. Dead men and ani-"I will interject into the senator's in the trenches formerly occupied by remarks, with his permission, a denial the Boers, and fill the air with a sickof every statement he has made; and ening odor. In cases where burial had the probability is that at the conclu- been attempted the rains have washed sion of his speech I can enter the the earth away, and out of the earth protrude ghastly legs and arms of dead

declared that the measure required the | A dispatch from Osfontein says that payment of all debts, public and pri-according to Boer prisoners another vate, in gold coin. "I'd like to know," important British success will cause said he, "whether the senator from President Steyn to flee to Pretoria, leaving a provisional government at Bloemfontein, which is likely to make "I suppose next we shall hear a de- peace overtures, those Free Staters not nial that the sun is shining when wishing for peace trekking into the everybody is looking at it," retorted Transvaal, there helping to make a stand which most of the British mili-"I would like the senator to point tary critics now point out will consti-

debts, public and private, shall be paid | The recent rains have afforded Lord Roberts good grass and copious sup-"It is there," replied Mr. Allen. plies have reached him. News of his

According to a report from, Cape

### AUCTION IN CAMP

### from the Boers.

on the bill was taken, resulting ayes Three regiments of cavalry reconnoit-Montana, Caffrey of Louislana, and promptly moved before the troops a culvert behind them as they went. The British passed a large body of Boers in the vicinity of Pepworth Debate on Aldrich-Robbins Contest The Boers opened a heavy fire, the Washington, March 6 .- The House British field guns replying. The Brit-

bins, the sitting member, who is a brought from the Boer camps. A Democrat, took the floor for an hour bunch of grapes sold for 25 shillings; in defence of his right to his seat. a plate of tomatoes brought 18 shil-He was followed by Mr. Burkett, of lings; a dozen matches brought 13 shil-Nebraska, who supported the conten- lings; a package of cigarettes brought tions of the majority in favor of the 25 shillings; fifty cigars brought £10, and a quarter of a pound of plug tobacco brought 45 shillings.

### Boer Position Located.

Osfontein, Saturday, March 3 .- The British front and extending about While Mr. De Armond, of Misouri, eight miles. The Boer right, on a high.

teenter and the left and between the condition.

center and the river and form a ridge behind which the Boers move unseen. The weakness of the whole position, however, is that it can easily be turned in either direction. The country is flat and water abounds, the recent McKinley Stands by Porto rains having nearly filled all the dams.

#### Brabant Engages Boers.

Dordrecht, Monday, March 5 .- Folowing yesterday's success, General Brabant again engaged the Boers today WHAT FREE TRADE MEANS with advantage, holding the position captured yesterday. There was some smart fighting this morning, the British losing five or six men, capturing Burghers-Ladysmith Garrison Ar- the Boer fort and thus vastly improving their position.

The Boers fought tenaciously, contesting every inch of the ground, but ultimately they retreated suddenly, carrying off their guns and wounded. A mounted force pursued them, but the result is not yet known.

The British casualties during the two days were owelve or thirteen killed and thirty wounded. The Boer losses net session today the President and are unknown. Throughout the arduous fighting and severe fatigue the colonials have behaved splendidly.

#### Gatacre Occupies Stormberg. has received the following dispatch

from Lord Roberts: "Osfontein, March 6.-General Gat-

acre occupied Stormberg yesterday. The lines of railway north and west will now be repaired. General Clements is at Joubert's Siding Station, bewond Colenso. The Duke of Marl-

"General Buller reports Natal as

Strekstroom, Monday, March 5 .-He did not suppose it would be denied deliberately fired at close range on a Evening.—General Gatacre entered as Congress passes the bill providing Stormberg unopposed today. The Boers for a tariff of 15 per cent, a test case General White's garrison has begun destroyed the railway approach, but will be brought by some of the New

publican platform of 1896." Nor will remain several days, after which junction which Gatacre tried to capwould it be denied, he thought, that they will go further south. They are ture December 10 with such disastrous United States Supreme Court.

### REPUBLICANS IN A HOLE

#### mals are lying, mutilated and putrified, Porto Rican Tariff Bill Making No End of Trouble.

Washington, March 6.- The Republicans are simply in a great big hole over the Porto Rican bill.

The introduction of a free trade amendment to the Porto Rican bill in the Senate by Mr. Davis of Minnesota Republican) yesterday has caused a commotion in Congress. No one is able now to judge what will come of it, but Mr. Davis is an able man and strong in the Senate. He is one of the ablest men the Republicans have in that body, and was an expansionist when what expansion meant.

those who know and those who do not and too speculative for immediate

know what expansion means. have arisen from the lack of understanding on the part of those who adopted it because it sounded well and might serve in a campaign.

### GROVER GOES HUNTING

ure Trip to Florida.

Princeton, N. J., March 6 .- Former this morning, where he expected to! meet a party of friends un join them on a pleasure excursion to the South. It was learned at the ex-President's Rico will eventually have free trade house, in Bayard avenue, tonight, that the party will be composed of E. C. Benedict, Perry Belmont, Dr. Bryant and former Secretary of War Daniel S. Lamont, and that they were to leave These laws, it is declared, will protect Jersey City in a special car over the Pennsylvania Railroad for Florida or thereabouts tonight, where they will spend ten days at least hunting and fishing. It was also said that Mr. They will likewise permit of Europe Cleveland expected to meet Joseph

Jefferson in the South.

Long Trance Ends in Beath. San Francisco, March 6,-Miss Edna Wilbur, who has lain unconscious for over two years, died today. Her case shown signs of consciousness, though there, lines cover more ground. A few days her room with the gas streaming from Baroll, of Washington, an ex-Confedago their left rested on the high kopjes an open burner. It was not an at- erate soldier and president of the varistanding in the middle of the plain. tempt at suicide, as the window was ous branch lines of the Baltimore & Colon, Colombia, March 6.—Admiral They have now been extended two open. The gas seemed to paralyze Ohio Railroad, died here today, aged Walker and the other members of the miles further south, while six small some nerves of her brain, but the sixty-one. His great-grandfather was American canal commission have ar- kopjes stand in the plain between the girl's body soon regained its normal John Augustine Washington, brother

# Rico Tariff Bill

It the Courts Let Down the Bars as te One of Our Insular Pessessions All Will Come in on the Same Footing and Our Protective System Will Fall to the Ground - The Cabinet Evidently Werried.

Washington, March 6 .- At the cabihis advisers discussed long and earnestly the strenuous opposition which the Porto Rican tariff bill bee encountered throughout the country. The London. March 6 .- The War Office discussion, it may be stated from authoritative sources, did not in the least change the views of the administration.

The President and his party are committed to a tariff on Porto-Rican goods, and will not turn back now, it is said. The President and his advisers believe that the country will endorse their policy before the Novem-

ber elections. It is stated in official circles today that there is no ill-feeling against have a test case as to whether the new possessions bear the same relaent States and Territories of the Union. It is an'ticipated that so soon York importers. The case will be [Stormberg is the important railroad speedily hastened through the courts

That court will say whether Porto Rico is so closely a part of the United States as to be subject to the customs and other laws of this country without special enactment by Congress. If the court determines that Porto Rico became a part and parcel of this country, to be on exactly the same footing as the balance of the United States, that means free trade with the Philippines, free trade with Hawaii, with the islands which have been acquired in the Samoan group. with Guam, with the Sulu group, and with every new possession which comes under the flag of the United States in the future. This is at least what the cabinet decided today.

And here it may be emphatically the men who were responsible for the stated that before President McKinley Porto Rican tariff bill did not know and his administration will submit to absolute free trade with the Philip-The serious difference over the Porto pines they may consider an important Rican bill is not between expansion- revolution in their plans as to the ists and anti-expansionists. It is be- islands remaining under American autween two sorts of expansionists- thority. This, however, is too remote

thought. The anti-expansionists are liable to A cabinet officer said today that free be the beneficiaries of the ignorance trade with the Philippines meant the Mr. Allen asserted that the bill was Town, an expedition for the relief of and blunders of those who see in the breaking down of the protective tariff in the interest of the national banks- Mafeking is apparently well on its policy of expansion nothing more than system; it meant competition by infeis a legislative bunco scheme, and who is in command of the expedition. ing it, they go blundering along trying ment to this country in competition ure conferred unlimited power for the railway engineers. It is known that compelled to represent, regardless of with European nations in China, Free the bridge across the Vaal River at inconsistencies and injustices. If they trade with the Philippines, It was "Now, I suppose," said he, "that the Fourteen Streams has been wrecked, have their way they will succeed in pointed out by the same official, meant and it is expected that the passage of making expansion unpopular, and if that every port of the Philippines "No friend of this bill," replied Mr. the river will be strongly opposed they cannot have their own way they became the same, under the law, as do not want expansion at all. There ports of this country, and goods gowas nothing partisan in the expansion ing into them from the outside world policy as first conceived and passed- would pay the Dingley tariff rates or almost forced-upon the administra- whatever rates were in existence, At tion. The partisanship and confusion the same time the United States and the islands would exchange goods with each other free of duty. Spain would for ten years have the same privileges as this country, but all the rest of the world would meet the tariff wall. The consequence would be the protests of the remainder of the world against maintaining an open door in China for the benefit of this country, and possible complications.

On the other hand, it was pointed Princeton for New York at 9:05 o'clock out at the cabinet meeting today that Congress alone has the right to determine the position of the new possessions toward this country, Porto and free relations, but the Philippines will have laws enacted for them which will look to their protection as well as the protection of the United States. American labor, American industries, and make of the Philippines a great warehouse for the American business man who wants to trade in the East.

according us the open door in China. The administration confidently believes that when the people of this country fully appreciate the situation they will accord with the position now taken. It is asserted that Porto Rico is already satisfied, and that every day

Descendant of Washington's Brother of George Washington,