*Officers of the Charleston Get an Official Certificate

THE OLD CHARGE REVIVED

Allegation of Drankenness at the Time the Cruiser Was Lost Made by a Missionary on the Statement of an Electrical Engineer-The Story Investito Be Baseloss

Washington, Nov. 13 .- In a communication received at the Navy Department of the United States cruiser Charleston by the department into the charge, and

missionary of the American board, who Virginia, Nebraska and Kansas would property was assessed at about has been stationed in Bulgaria. Mr. lose representation. Clark returned to Boston recently, and The New Voice, a prohibition newspaper, cited him as authority for the statement that drankenness among the Two Children Taken Unconscious Charleston's officers did exist when the cruiser was wrecked. A clipping of this article was sent to the Navy Dewer covering the result of the inquiry apartment house at 206 St. Nicholas he did not speak of public sales of land. made by the department will be sent to avenue, before dawn today.

when the vessel struck. The Navy De-reached the sidewalk.

mey, who completed the inquiry.

but he was called on for a statement, the street. The navigator and other officers. the charge and said that he never drank incendiaries. while the ship was under way, and that he had not four-hed any intox cant for two weeks before the disaster. H waimed that the accusation was the resuit of spite on the part of the men on Chemical Explosion in Veterinary Colthe Charleston convicted of false swearing before the court of inquiry which investigated the vessel's loss. '1. court exonerated Captain Pigman, the

navigator and other officers from blame. The investigation of Mr. Clark's charge showed to the satisfaction of the Navy Department that it was notice and the department disposed of the matter in a communication to the commander-in-chief of the Asiatic squadron, the main paragraph of which follows: The department accepts your suggestion that for the reasons stated you a further investigation of these mat-

ters is now unnecessary." With the revived charge there compled a new one, that "a number of sailors who testified at the court of inquiry that the loss was caused by the drunkenness of officers, were punished for such testimony by sentence to imprisonment from two to four years.' nd Rev. Mr. Clark is given as authority for the statement that the men were released on telegraphic orders from Washington.

The records of the Navy Department show that several enlisted men of the by water. Charleston testified at the court of inquiry that an officer had been brought ashore and his personal effects after the man had been forbidden to take theirs from the wreck. These men were ac- Republican Senators Will Meet in a cused of false swearing and were convicted, receiving sentences of from one o four years imprisonment. Owing to legal irregularities in their trials, the proceedings against them were disagproved and they were released. Although every member of the Charleston's crew was asked at the court of inquiry if he on the first Monday in December. had any complaint to make, none came Conward to accuse any officer of drun-

MARCUS DALY'S FORTUNE

kenness.

his Forty Millions to Be Held by the advance. Widow in Trust for the Children

New York, Nov. 13 .- Marcus Daly's great fortune, amassed in the mines of Montana, is to go to his widow, to be held by her in trust for the four children -Margaret, Mary C., Harriet, and Marcus. Jr., the seventeen year old son. Just how much the dead milliannire left has not been figured out, but it is estimated by those familiar with his affairs to be not less than \$40,000,000. estate has increased enormously during the past two years, and in add-Mr. Daly is known to have made sums in speculation.

is hinted that there will be a surthe eldest daugnter. Margaret, of cept to cause as mu whom he was ergremely fond. Mr. British as possible. Daly was a far-seeing business man, as was exemplified in his purchase of the Anaconda mine for \$35,000. In the dis-A telegram has been received from the New York Stock Exchange since on the New York Stock Exchange since the tremendous post-election boom, and day destroyed the Wichita Falls Mills the tremendous post-election boom, and did not come as a surprise, as the condition of the tremendous post-election boom, and did not come as a surprise, as the condition of the tremendous post-election boom, and did not come as a surprise, as the condition of the tremendous post-election boom, and did not come as a surprise, as the condition of the tremendous post-election boom, and did not come as a surprise, as the condition of the tremendous post-election boom, and did not come as a surprise, as the condition of the tremendous post-election boom, and did not come as a surprise, as the condition of the tremendous post-election boom, and did not come as a surprise, as the condition of the tremendous post-election boom, and did not come as a surprise, as the condition of the tremendous post-election boom, and did not come as a surprise, as the tremendous post-election boom, and did not come as a surprise, as the tremendous post-election boom, and did not come as a surprise, as the condition of the tremendous post-election boom, and the tremendous post-election boom,

daughters have been forbidden his home because of suspicion he had against them. He has guarded against all of this class of men enjoying the fruits of his hard labors by placing his entire wealth in the hands of ms widow.

THE NEXT APPORTIONMENT

Speculation as to How the House Will Be Constituted Under the New Census

Washington, Nov. 13 .- Ex-Governor Merriam, director of the census, returned from Minnesota Sunday and called on the President today to felicitate h m on the result of the election. Mr. Merriam called the President's attention to the fact that the figures on the total population of the United States will be immediately at the disposal of Congress when it meets for any action it may degated by a Naval Board and Found apportionment bill. The re-appartionment following the count of the tweifth census must, under the terms of existing law, become operative in 1903, the first election under the apportionment being in November, 1902. Congress must netify the respective states, and they must re-arrange their congressional disthe charge is revived that officers tricts in time for the November election in 1902. There is such difference of were drunk when that vessel struck on gress began with a ratio of one repre- Smith and William Alderman, Cumberan uncharted reef off the north coast sentative to every 30,000 inhabitants, land county; S. T. Nicholson and Baron upon all who heard him. The foreign of Luzon. It was just a year ago yes- giving a total of sixty five members. Frederick Von Evinstein, Beaufort missionary work of the Christian Church This has increased under each census. terday that the Charleston was lost, until the tenth census caused the repre- county; Isaac Thompson, Jones county; is chiefly in Japan. The church has A reporter was permitted to examine sentation to be fixed at one member for J. D. Maultsby, Columbus county; M. other places in the empire. There are the records of the investigation made every 151,911 people, and giving 325 F. H. Gouveneur, New Hanover county; fourteen missionaries and native preachmembers in the House. The eleventa census ran the number up to 173.901, George H. Hall, Robesoz county; O. F. ers, besides other workers. The church talks with department officials developed and gave 356 members. That the ratio Herring and J. M. Marshourn, Sampthat although publicity had been given will be increased this time this is certo Antioch in Syria. It is a wonderful to the charge at the time it was made, subject. Should Congress place the county. the fact that those accused had been ratio at 209,000 the House would stand | Captain Williams, of Fayetteville, said completely exonerated had nevers been in numbers as now, but some of the that as assessor he and two other as-States would lose representation. At sessors of Cross Creek township, in were first called Christians. One of 194,000 it is estimated that no State The Navy Department has heretofore would lose any representation, and the which Fayetteville is situated, had gone these missionaries is Pollie Barrett who lined to give the name of the person membership of the House would be con- around and examined property, assess who brought the charge to its attention, siderably increased. With 200,000 as ing it intentionally at three-fourths It was shown by the official papers seen the basis, however, there would be a value. He also said that to induce factoday that he is Rev. J. F. Clark, a gain of about eighteen scats, but Maine, tories to come to Fayetteville factory

HAIR BREADTH ESCAPES

from a Burning Tenement House

New York, Nov. 13.-There were sev-Smoke was rolling from the windows tion except in his own township.

The papers show that an electrical en- of the court floor and flames were Other witnesses testified to pretty cineer on one of the American ships in spreading to the hallways before the unuch the same thing, all of them saying Princeton Girl 7 to 3, Glade Run 3 to 1. the Philippines wrote to Rev. Mr. Clark, tenants were aroused. All ran pell-mell that in their opinions, and as far as tag then in Samoko, Bulgaria, that enlisted to the street, some falling from the men of the Charleston had told him stairs and others being slightly burned was assessed at CS 2.3 to 75 per cent. 7 to 1, Excelsis 7 to 1, Dolando 1 to 3. that several officers of the Charleston, as they ran past the purning rooms.

partment asked Mr. Clark to furnish the As the fire engines dashed up. George name of his informant and he did so, Hicks, who lived on the fourth floor, with a copy of the electrical engineers where the fire started, remembered that his two children-Walter, aged seven, Rear Admiral Watson, then in constand Afbert, aged four had been left mand of the Asiatic station, was in- bahind. He tried to get into the buildstructed to investigate the charges, and ing, but was held back by the police, the investigation was in progress when while firemen raised a ladder. 'Two firehe was relieved by Rear Admiral Romen went up for the children and found Railroad Commission's counsel, left tothem half unconscious in bed. The Captain Pigman, of the Charleston, room in which they were was on fire, fore the Circuit Court of Appeals. The was not accessed of being intoxicated. The boys were revived when brought to hearing will be resumed tomorrow.

He denied the charges and exonerated The fire was put out after it had gutted the fourth and fifth floors. Fire The navigator also indignantly denied Marshal Secry is trying to trace the

FIRE AT CORNELL

lege Building Results in Heavy Loss

was partially destroyed by fire this vidual reports, and in consequence they story which is used as a laboratory by tion. the veterinary and medical students, and | The question of cutting down the most the third story, together with valuable enormous features of the internal revapparatus, was destroyed.

man promptly turned in an alarm.

The building was erected by the State substantial cut could be made.

for the veterinary department in 1895 the survius during four months and a at a cost of \$60,000. The structure con- half in the present fiscal year has ben and the ex-Governor Flower library of ceipts have been \$215,000,000. The somest buildings on the campus. The loss is estimated at \$30,000 which

WORK FOR CONGRESS

Few Days and Map Out Plans

New York, Nov. 13 .- Senator Fair-He is going to Washington tonight and will probably first be reduced.

opposition and dilatory tactics on the the London Times this morning, the part of the Democrats shall not defeat terms included the execution of eleven

Boers Annoy the British

London, Nov. 13 .- In a dispatch to the War Office, dated at Johannesburg yeswhen his will is offered for pro- terday. General Roberts gave details of Grant Brothers Swamped in the Cur Those who knew the copper king five skirmishes with the Boers. He d he would leave the bulk of his says the commandos appear to act indefortune to his children, especially favor- pendently, with no particular object except to cause as much annoyance to the

> Jas. H. Lassiter, Jr., Dies in Baltimore Henderson, N. C., Nov. 13 .- Special .-

Twelve Witnesses Testify in the Railroad Case

CUSTOM IN FAYETTEVILLE

Assessors Examine Property and Pur-Value-Mill Property Taxed on Basis of One-half Its Cost and in One Instance at One-fourth Real Value-Similar Story Told by Witnesses

Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 13 .- Special-Twelve witnesses were examined at the

what it cost, and that the silk factory property was assessed at about 25 per cent. of what assessors understood was paid for it. On cross examination Captain Williams testified that up to the fall of 1899 there had been very little enhancement in value of farming land but that since cotton had risen in price partment by a Boston clergyman, who eral narrow escapes and two rescues at there had been some enhancement in requested to be informed whether these a fire of apparently incendiary origin value of the better class of agricultural charges had been investigated. An an- which started in the five-story tenement lands. He said that in fixing true value He could not swear to the rule of valua-

> knew or had ascertained, real estate of what it would bring at private sale, Time 1:471/2. and that at public or forced sale the land would bring considerably less than 7 to 5. Greyfield 6 to 5, Rochester 6 to on the usual terms when the owner 1. Time 1:48 3-5. seeks the purchaser, and sells part cash and part on time, or all on credit. The railroad attorneys were reinforced can 3 to 1. Time, 1:27 1-5. today by the arrival of Captain Charles Price, of Salisbury, counsel for the

Southern; R. O. Burton, of Raleigh, 2, Harry McCoun 7 to 2. Time 1:47. counsel for the Atlantic Coast Line. A. D. Ward, of New Bern, of the night for Richmond to argue a case be-

MARGIN TOO SMALL

War Revenue Taxes Will Bear but Little Pruning at Present.

Washington, Nov. 13 .- The President has settled down to hard work on the preparation of his annual massage to Congress, and accordingly the cabinet meeting this morning was largely spent Ithaca , N. Y., Nov. 13 .- The New in discussing the character of the docu-York State Veterinary College building, ment. Most of the cabinet members which is a part of Cornell University, have practically completed their indimorning. The fire broke out in the third | were able to discuss the general situa-

enue measure received serious considera-The fire originated from an explosion tion. The president was somewhat disin the laboratory at 4 a .m. The waten- appointed with the prospects. He had hoped that the immense revenues of the A student, J. F. Fairbairn, of Buffalo, government would permit of making mawhile assisting the firemen, stumbled terial reductions in the war taxes. The over a live wire and was for a long time information furnished by Secretary believed to be dead, but recovered later. Gage however, gave little hope that a

tained valuable laboratory apparatus less than \$7,000,000 although the reveterinary science. It was constructed same ratio would provide a surplus of of white brick and was one of the hand- only about \$20,000,000 for the entire fixcal year. It is believed that the president in his message to Congress will not will be covered by insurance. The libra- advise a reduction of war taxes to an ry was saved, but was bady damaged extent of more than \$12,000,000 or \$15,-000,000 a year. To reduce the revenue Plans Are on Foot to Combine All the in a greater degree than that would give too narrow a margin of receipts above

imperative expenditures. Although the outlook is not so promcuts could be made in various items of originated in Wisconsin, where the banks, of Indiana, is in the city today the war revenue measure. The stamp and a had a talk with Senator Platt. tax on small articles of commonest use for some time.

will remain there until Corgress meets | Secretary Long reported progress on Champeny Creamery Company here, his negotiations for armor plate. He said: Mr. Fairbanks said today that many is well pleased with the terms he has "It is a fact that initial steps are Republican senators and representa- practically secured from the contract being taken for the organization of a tives would assemble in Washington in tors. Mr. Long announced after the creamery trust. Conditions are such a few days for conference and to map meeting that negotiations had not been that it is an absolute necessity. There out the work of the short session. There quite completed for the purchase of ar- is not a creamery in Wisconsin that is much work to do, and the party lead- mor plate, but that he hoped to have has made money during the year. The ers want to arrange a programme in all arrangements concluded during this

week. Senator Platt will make one or more! The Chinese question received an usual trips to the capital this month. In view share of attention, but nothing decisive of the importance of the work to be done was done. Secretary Hay announced at the short session, the Republican that this government had not received leaders have decided to agree in advance any confirmation of the report that the upon the bills to be passed and to force envoys in Pekin had agreed upon a preprompt action upon all necessary meas- liminary demand to be made upon the Chinese government. According to a They are determined, they say, that dispatch from Dr. Morrison, published in or delay the policy of the administration. high Chinese officials and maintenance of legation guards at Pekin.

BROKERAGE FIRM FAILS

rent of Advancing Prices New York, Nov. 13 .- Frederick Grant. Charles F. Grant and John K. Van Sickle, who compose the firm of Grant Bros., stock brokers, at 45 Broadway, today assigned for the benefit of their creditors to Ernest G. Steadman.

The failure is the first to be announced

TAXES 11, 1895, and for a time did a large business and was well known in the street. Of late years its business had fallen off, and the announcement of its collapse today had no effect on the

CONFERENCE AT RANDLEMAN

The Annual Meeting of the Christian Church for Western North Carolina

Randleman, N. C., Nov. 13.-Special .-

The seventh annual session of the Western North Garolina Conference of the Christian Church met here this morning. Rev. P. H. Fleming of Burlingposely Listed it at Three-fourths Albright of Moffitt, secretary, and J. M. Turner of Graham, assistant secretary.

The visiting brethren were Dr. J. G. Bishop, secretary of the American Gen-eral Christian Conference, Dayton, O.; Rev. J. W. Holt of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference; Revs. A. P. Barbee and J. D. Wickes of the Easteru North Carolina Conference:

The work of the day consisted chiefly in reports from churches, ministerial reports, a report of the executive committee, and the report on foreign missions. hearing of the railroad taxation case The report on foreign missions was today. They were A. B. Williams, J. B. especially interesting. Dr. Bishop, who addressed the conference on this important subject. made a great impression established missions at Tokio and two

> membership is about 350. Three missionaries have just been sen coincidence that missionaries should in these latter days be sent to the place that first sent out Christian missionaries and the place in which Christ's disciples

was educated at Elon College. The annual sermon was preached tonight by Rev. L. J. Cox, of Elon Coilege. Rev. C. C. Peel preached at Mt. Lebanon Methodist Protestant church

tonight. Randleman ertends to the conference a cordial welcome.

THE RACES

Yesterday's Events at Aqueduct and Starters for Today

New York, Nov. 13 .- Results at Ac queduck track: First race, 3 mile—Belle of Orleans 5 5to 2, Bettie Gray 2 to 1, Lady Contrary 3 to 1. Time 1:16. Second race, % mile-Snark 9 to 2

Time 1:15. Third race, mile and 70 yards-Tartar Fourth race, 1 1-16 miles-Kinnikinic

Neil 7 to 5, Frank Hall 15 to 1, Ameri-Sixth race, mile and 70 yards-Double Dummy 7 to 5. The Chamberlain 9 to Entries for Today

First race, about % mile, handicap-Imp 126, Trumpet 117. Hesper 113, Godfrey 114, Kinnikinic 110, Prestidigitator 102, Carbundle 106, Elfin Conig Rhymer 87, Buitzilochtle 92, Ben Blue 90. Gold Lace 90.

Secondurace, % mile, fillies, 2 year old 109, About 109, Orienta 109, Reina 109, cate 109.

Third race, 1 mile and 70 yards, selling-Judge Tarvin 111, Give and Take 97. Radford 106, H, McCoun 103, Uncle Josh 86, Dye 99, Toluca 102, Tension 94, Chas. Estes 97, Double Dummy 1 George Simons 102, Magic Light 101 Islington 99.

Fourth race, 1 1-16 miles, selling-Knight of Gatrer 114, Borough 116 Carbuncle 109, Sir Fitzburgh 98, Philippine 106, Tinge 100, Rare Perfume 10... Lancewood 95, Huitzilopichtle 92. Fifth race, about % mile, 2 year old, selling-Frank Hall 97, Billionaire 103, Amorita 101, Obey 99, Queen Carnival 103, Joe Black 102, Politician 108. Flareau 195, The Puritan 112, Provost 94, Little Daisy 105, Moor 109, Craven 101, Ginki 103, Barbette 99, The Golden Prince 107, Maiden 105, Gracious 102. Sixth race, 1 mile and 70 yards, 3 year old-Ceylon 103, Ross Clark 106, ive and Take 103, Maple 103, Uncle Josh 103, Cephalagia 103, Matchim 105 Colurue 106, Monmouth Boy 103.

NOW A BUTTER TRUST

Creameries of the North west. Milwaukee, Nov. 13 .- A movement is on foot to consolidate in one big concern ising as had been hoped, the cabinet all the creameries in the Northwest, for officers were of the opinion that some which Chicago is the market. The idea creamery men have been working on it A. M. Reid, vice-president of the

plan will include all of the leading creamery interests in the State." The Champeny Company, besides owning creameries at fifteen points in Wisconsin, owns several creameries in South

nally will control all the creameries in the Northwest.

Dakota. It is said the combine event-

Suit for Two Millions

Denver, Col., Nov. 13 .- A suit for \$2,-000,000 against the Portland Gold Mining Company had been brought in the United States district court by the heirs of Engene Doherty, one of the original patentees of the Black Diamond mine, which was acquired by purchase in 1895 by the Portland. In 1896 Deherty was recover the amount alleged to be due his estate. James Burns, W. S. Stratton and John Harman are the principal owners of the Portland Mine.

Mill and Elevator Burned

Began Yesterday

SHOW A VERY GOOD ONE

Senator-elect Simmons Officiates at the Opening-Weather Fine and Prospeets Good for Large Crowds-Side Shows Numerous and Fakirs in Evidence-Racing Track Not as Fast as It Will Be Today

New Bern, N. C., Nov. 13.-Special .-The East Carolina Fish and Oyster Fair was formally opened today by Hon. F. M. Simmons upon the arrival of the dowager, that General Tung-Fuh-Sian street parade at the grounds shortly will not be punished, will cause an after 11 o'clock.

The fair as a whole makes an unusually ne appearance, and the promise of splendid weather makes probable some record-breaking crowds. The side shows are very numerous and flocks of fakirs make it lively if not profitable for all the original list-about eleven prince

but by tomorrow it will be in perfect agree that the foreigners shall hold the condition. The trotting race, three Taku forts and military posts. She wil minute class, purse \$200, was won by Eliza ingram, owner W. C. Chatham, of Graham: second money Judge, owner demnities and the prohibition of further Graham; second money Judge, owner importation of arms, but it will be im thirds mile heats, purse \$100, won by Royal Rover, owner T. L. Emery, of Weldon; second My Vic, owner E. V.

The balloon ascension of Mile. Danzeile was a great success. The aeronaut! dropped into the Neuse river a quarter posals at that time, China made counters ing a life preserver, and was rescued propositions which Japan declined to enby a boat after being in the water about fifteen minutees, and seemed none the days to agree to the original suggesworse for the cold bath.

Tomorrow occurs the floral pageant. and the races are expected to be among the best of the week. The two horses, McGregor and Defender, will contest in the 2:20 race.

IN HANDS OF THE COURT

One Way to Avoid Prosecution for Violuting Anti-trust Law.

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 13.—The Dallas Electric Company, perhaps the biggest! institution of its kind in Texas, has gone into the hands of a receiver by order There is still much killing going on in the German section of the city, while of United States District Judge E. R. Meck, on application of the American Loan and Trust Company of Boston, alleging non-payment of interest on \$300,000 worth of bonds. E. M. Reardon, vice president of the National Exchange Bank of Dallas, has been ap-

pointed receiver. The receivership is interesting because of the fact that the board of 98, Pincher 97, Bastile 95, Maribert 95, municipal commissioners of Dallas last Hawk 90, Dame 84, Mary 92, The Saturday declared that the Dallas Electric Company had entered into a combination with the Standard Light and Power Company and at the same time Masabet 109, Ashes 109, Ann Lompson recommended that the attorney general proceed against the two corporations for Gallimor 109, Kid 109, Ondurdis 109, violating the State Anti-Trust law. '1 at Alls Well 109, Edna Brown 109, Edu-receivership is construed as a device to DEATH OF MB. J. H. LASSITER, JR. escape anti-trust litigation.

NEW OIL FIELD

Discovery Near Buffalo Starts Specu-

lators to Leasing All Land in Sight Buffalo, Nov. 13 .- Erie county is experiencing the sensation that follows the under going treatment at the hands of discovery of oil, and excitement runs high in the vicinity of Springville. Yesterday the Standard Oil Company, it is reported, struck an oil well near that

ifested in regarding it.

For some time it has been claimed that there is oil in this county because of the great number of gas wells that have been discovered, but it remained for the Standard Company to prove it. Already speculators are securing leases on land and vast tracts have been contracted for. The speculators calculate that, even if they do not find oil and secure only gas, it will be worth the investment because the gas supply for Buffalo is diminishing and a ready market is insured.

ALEXANDER SOON SURFEITED

Three Months After Marriage the King of Servia Talks of Divorce

Paris, Nov. 13.-The reports in regard acter are denied at the Servian lega-King Alexander of Servia and Madame

Maschin, a widow and a former ladyin waiting to Queen Natalie, were married on August 5th last. The marriage caused a sensation in Servia and there was considerable opposition when it was tirst announced that the king contemplated such an adliance. On November 7th it was stated in a dispatch from Vienna that King Alexander had announced his intention of divorcing his wife and that Queen Draga was prostrated. The reason given was that the king was tired of his wife and desired to return to the freedom of his bachelor days.

POSSIBLY THE OLDEST

Mrs. Nancy Hollifield Is Reported to Re Desperately Ill.

Charlotte, N. C., Nov. 13.—Special.— News reaches here of the desperate iness of Mrs. Nancy Hollifield, said to be the oldest living person in the United States. Mrs. Holifield lives near Ellenkilled in a shaft of the Black Diamond boro, N. C. Last fail she contracted Mine, and the suit is brought by his cold and since then has been gradually heirs, all of whom live in Ireland, to growing worse. Mrs. Hollifield does not know her exact age, but relates incidents in her life which took place over a century ago. A number of people who live in the same section say Mrs. Hollifield must be about 117 years old. The lady herself states that she is over 110, but does not say how much.

Southern Pacific Bays Pacific New York, Nov. 13,-The board of directors of the Southern Pacific Rail- in general sessions this morning

FISH AND OYSTER FAIR

road at a special meeting held today approved the purchase through Speyd & Co., of the majority of capital stod of the Pacific Mail Steamship Companiand accepted the proposition of Messry Speyer & Co. to purchase \$10,006,00 of two five year 4½ per cent gold bond of the Southern Pacific Company, secund by the control of the Pacific Majority of ed by the control of the Pacific Ma Steamship Company and by stock an bonds of other companies.

DEMANDS IN CHINA

Ministers Waiting for Instruction from Their Flome Governments

Pekin, Nov. 11.—(Via Taku. Nov. 11 and Shanghai, Nov. 12.—10:40 p. m.). The foreign ministers will hold another meeting tomorrow to consider the d mands which are to be presented to the Chinese peace plenipotentiaries.

The question of whether a decision will be reached at this meeting will de pend altogether upon the receipt of ac vices by all the ministers from the home governments. The minister themselves have agreed upon the mail outlines of the draft, but there may h some changes in its wording.

Up to the present time it is not know whether the declaration of the empres change in the article of the draft of the demands in regard to the punish ment of high Chinese officials and princes who were responsible for the boxer outrages.

A high Chinese official said today that if the powers insict on the condemnation and punishment of all those named in and generals-it will be impossible for China to agree to this even if she were The track today was somewhat slow, willing to do so. China will no doub possible to carry out the death punishment except in a few cases, though

China may agree to do so in the others, Denton, Raleigh; Grandma ruled out on low the same tactics which she pursued It is thought here that China will fold during the negotiations with Japan at the close of the war with that country, tertain, and gave the Chinese a few

> China's position in this respect, however, is better at the present time, because of the diversity of interests represented, at least one of which is playing as her friend. There is every indication at present that Russia is inclined to make things as easy as possible for China in the settlement of the trouble. A German military expedition will

start for the north tomorrow. The Japanese will send two companies and a small English detachment will also accompany the Germans. Conditions in Pekin are unchanged.

the other districts are peaceful. Gold weather has set in, and there is half an inch of ice on the river. The international committee, presided over by General Baillord, which has been sitting at Paoting-Fu for the purpose of hearing evidence in regard to outrages on missionaries and other Christians, perpetrated by Chinese officials who were afterward executed, is

still in session. It was given out at Field Marshal Von Waldersee's office today that more executions of Chinese at Paoting-Fu will certainly follow as a result of the investigation by the commission.

A Well Known Citizen of Henderson

Passes Away in Baltimore.

We regret to chronicle the sad intelligence of the death in Baltimore yesterday of Mr. J. H. Lassiter, Jr., Henderson. Mr. Lassiter whose health had been much impaired recently, was northern physicians and his friends were encouraged to hope that his speedy recovery would soon enable him to return home restored to strength and health. A place, and the indications are that it is change for the worse, however took a gusher. Considerable secrecy is manwere summoned from Henderson. His condition grew rapidly weaker and yesterday be breathed his last at 12:20

> Mr. Lassiter was prominent in the business circles of Henderson and nossessed many noble traits that drew to him warm and lasting friendships. He was associated with his grandfather and brother in the conduct of a large and successful mercantile establishment in Henderson, the firm name being J. H. Lassiter & Co. He frequently visited Raleigh where he was

o'clock.

well known and very popular.
Mr. Lassiter married Miss Eilen Daniel Faucett, daughter of the late James Faucett and grand-daughter of Mrs. John I. Long, formerly of Halifax county. This lovely lady-to whom the sympathy of a wide circle will go out to the illness of Queen Draga and mis- in her affliction survives him, together cellaneous stories of a sensational char- with his mother, grandfather and a brother, Mr. Robert Lassiter. The remains will be brought to Henderson today for interment.

THREE KENTUCKY CONTESTS

A Republican Elected in the Ninth District by a Compulsory Count.

Louisville, Nov. 13.-The re-election of Representative Samuel Pugh, of the Ninth district, was made certain today by a gain of 188 votes in Lewis county by the official count. In a precinct in the county the Goebel election officers. had refused to count 188 ballots that were cast for Pugh. The ballots were soiled and a trifle damp and were thrown out. By process of court the ballots were counted today.

Williams, Hopkins and Moss, Republican candidates for Congress, decided today to file contests and began taking evidence.

Schooner Lost and Crew Drowned

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 13 .- The Baltimore schooner James J. Reese, bound from Norfolk to Baltimore, lumber laden, was lost near Hollins' Island, Chesapeake Bay, yesterday, and the crew of four drowned. Captain Woolford, her master, happened not be on the vessel and is now in Baltimore.

Charge Against Devery Dismissed

New York, Nov. 13 .- The indictment against William S. Devery, chief of police, for interferring with Superintendent McCullagh in the discharge of his duties, was dismissed by Recorder Goff,