PEACE ON THE STAND

A North Carolina Cadet Tells About Hazing

HAD BEEN THERE HIMSELF

and Had Helped to Haze Others-He Did Not Think the Practice Was Carried to the Point of Brutality. Brother of Booz the Sensational Witness of the Day

of the late Cadet Oscar L. Booz, reconthis morning at 9:45 o'clock. Eirstned him. Peace remembered one and occurred in the tent of ex-Cadet

the usual form, sir," the witness said. "Who were doing the hazing?" he was

was a very awkward man, one of to be rather nervous and subject | ties

I received a letter from him," Peace 'some six months after he left in which he tried to explain his alty in doing things while there. that he was suffering from form of sickness all the time he was in camp. He had hoped that he, get better in the barracks, but

"What was the nature of the sickasked General Clous. "I don't remerber, sir," said the wit-

nature in his room being piled up bethe inspector arrived? Ever hear ing. put in a straight-jacket? cear of his being required to eat asked General Clous. sir," replied the cadet.

Peace did not know much about Booz. tradict that statement." tifying with regard to fist fights. that he had kept a record There were twelve in his "plebe" he said, and nine in the next. tille Cadet Peace was testifying. The these proceeded to corroborate preregarding the wellpugilism outside of drilling and not have much to do with fourthfeeling of dislike or haired toward

in answer to a question by General ea any brutality. He did not consider! Then you don't think that being re-

to exercise yourself physically thaustion is brutal?" asked General went through it myself, sir. I don't brutal. It is uncomfortable, never knew it to result in perma-

injury," said the witness. 'care admitted that he could not tell ust what point this kind of entertainseame a brutal exhibition except here are indications when a stusked whether all cadets exercise good igment in hazing, the witness re-

are some, sir, who seem to be thant the faculty of judging.' int it a fact that the most of the done by one set of men in

ere are some who haze more than you ever hear of this or a simi-

assion in the cadet corps: Til of for you and get even with you "Frace answered: "Something like that

Would a cadet thus threatened be apart and, almost in secret. exermost to exhaustion?" Undoubtedly instances might have

urred in the history of the academy. am sure there have been none reatly. There has been no hazing since orps agreement a year ago." Where do you think brutafity be-

asked General Brooke. "Hazing which caused injury or afted a cadet so that he had to be ped by his friends. I have heard of such cases, but only rumors.

Booz's Brother Testifies

The really sensational witness of the My was Mr. Horace Booz, brother of late Cadet Oscar Booz. Dooz is a dignified bearing on the witness stand won the sympathy even of those who did not see in the warm feeling for his late brother and in the answers which apparently in some instances that feeling aspired, a refutation of the mass of testiniony that has been given by cadets. After Mr. Booz had answered the eliminary inquiries as to his identity cupation, he testified, under the questioning chiefly of General Brooke as follows:

"I did not see my brother between the time he entered the academy and the time he left, but I corresponded with The first letter was written about ally 1st. In the first he said he liked place, that he felt a little strange away from home, but thought he would hijoy himself here. Early in August I had another letter. In it he told me he had been called out to fight. rie said that the corporal of the guard had not given him the right instructions and which he would not obey. He said also Stack, Forty-seventh volunteer infantry. Dupont, who lives near this city, has \$700,000.

that he had overheard a conversation between two cadets in which they had said that they were watching him and that when they got a good chance they were going to do him up. I w no reason why any one should want to do him up. He was not an aggressive, Strangers Suspected of Be-

General Brooke: "Please confine yourself to the facts of your brother's statements, not your opinions."
Mr. Booz: "The reason I said that was

to meet the slanders that have been uttered about my brother. In that same letter he also told me for the first time about the tobacco sance. He told me that it was forced down his throat and that ge had Been the Subject of Hazing his throat was so sore he could not eat. He said he could not stand it much longer and unless there was a change he thought of leaving. I had advised him in response to this to go out and fight the man who had challenged him. In a few days I received another letter from him. I have a scrap of it here in

my pocket."
"It was as follows: 'I expect I will be home some time in the near future, for I have stood the treatment about West Point, Dec. 27.—The court of long enough. I have had trouble with being which is investigating the hazing my heart the last two or three days. It is the result of several severe blows I slipped through their fingers. Three received in the fight. I also received a strangers came in on a train from Chicut about an inch long under my left las man Willis G. Peace of North Caro- eye, and I think it will leave a scar. I ing was the first witness. General Clous am pretty badly bruised, but I feel all at different hotels as "John Smith." right with the exception of my heart. I The men were roughly dressed, but were

this note, and after its reading Mr. Booz continued, saying that his brother had "I don't remember the details of the written further that he had gone into hazing. I think it must have been just the fight because the witness had ad- to be taken to bed. Up to that time vised him to do so, although he knew he he had four \$20 gold pieces changed at was going to be whipped.
"He said," continued the witness,

'that he was harder run than ever by "I don't remember anyone but myself the cadets and that one upper classman had told him that he was going to see a bag that he wanted placed in the Second and ex-Cadet Bender," replied Peace. one of the professors and have him dis-The witness described the usual form missed from the academy. When I saw bag contained. "Two thousand in gold," was the going through all the rigmaroles of not ask him about his life there. It was ply. that the cadets have told of in later in 1899 that I talked wih him free-silver State, but that stuff grows Senator Joe 111. last seven days. Breth, the witness about the way the tobacco sauce was on bushes out there. poured down his throat. He said it was most awkward in the camp. He forced down his throat in large quanti- found the man's statement correct. Lead 97, Bert Davis 97, Hoods Brigade

"Did your brother mention the names of any of his persecutors in his letters to you?"

"No, sir, he never mentioned any names. Here General Brooke inquired if there were any further, statements he would

like to make. "I would like to vindicate my broth er" replied Mr. Booz calmly. "Colonel Mills has said that my brother left because he was deficient in his studies. That is absurd. I know it is absurd from the record he made in the prepar-Did he ever say anything about the atory school. No persons cou'l make such a record as he did and then pass the examinations to enter West Point D. Miller, and grandson of former and not be able to keep up with his United States Attorney General W. H. class. And there is the statement of H. Miller, who was kidnapped by his Lieutenant Coe that my brother did seem to be half witted. I wish to con- today by his father. Mrs. Miller and

Here some question arose as to Lieu- miles east of the city, asleep in the tenant Coe having made such a state- home of a man named Marshall, where the first two years that he was ment and Mr. Booz was asked where he saw it. He said he saw it in a cer- The police reached the place by day tilia New York paper. Captain Dean light. Mrs. Miller gave up the child Colonel Hein, commandant of cadets, here interposed the statement that Lieu- and was not placed under arrest. into the courtroom and took a seat tenant Coe had made some such remark in his testimony. As for Colonel Mills, child was the culmination of one of the General Brook reminded the witness longest chases in the history of the that the superintendent of the acade- police department. When the chief was code by which the cadets regu- my had not been on the wifness stand. "I saw the statement of Colonel Mills Peace said the upper-classmen in several papers," continued the wit- drove Mrs. Miller, the boy and his govness. I do not see why my brother erness from the Denison Hotel, where Fourth-classmen might have should have been picked out especially the child had been taken to visit his found near Capitan, the coal camp or to be hazed. He was not a coward, mother. The driver was located finally chassmen, the witness admitted. The fact that he went out to the fight at his home. He denied any knowledge the feeling passed away, he thought, is sufficient evidence of that. He had of Mrs. Miller's intentions, and exnever had a fight before in his life. He plaired fully where he had taken the knew nothing about fighting. He had party. He said that when the govern- the DeBeers Consolidated Company at res. Peace said that he had never no knowledge of boxing. My brother ess jumped from the carriage Mrs. Milwas not untruthful. He was always ler ordered him to drive to Brightwood, brattal to exercise a cadet to the limit known as a truthful boy, He was a where it is thought she intended to quiet boy, not a bit forward or fresh, catch the Union City accommodation He was not a boy to take the conceit train, which left this city at 4:50 o'clock. out of by hazing. That he was not He did not reach Brightwood in time against your will almost to the point of backward in his studies is shown by for the train, and, forming new plans, his record in the preparatory school. He Mrs. Miller hired another outfit and was not a boy to complain. He would was taken to Lawrence. The cabman, put up with a good deal without com- whose name is Senour, left her at plaining. I am fully convinced that the demerits he got came from the action liveryman to take her to Lawrence. of the upper classmen who were perse- Senour said he did not suspect for a cuting him.'

> your brother's throat, do you mean that he was thrown down, his mouth forced mother and her child. open and the tobacco thus poured down his throat?

A.—I so understand it. Q .- By force then you mean physically forced?

Q .- By Colonel Mills: To your knowledge or by hearsay do you know that your family ever complained to the authorities of the military academy or the war department of your brother's treatment here? A .- No. sir.

Q.-Why? A .- We were so much overcome by the prospects of my brother's death. Q .- Your brother was dying a lingering death from the effects of treatment here and no complaint was made to the anthorities?

A .- He died a lingering death, but we did not know it at the time. The witness gave the names of Dr. W. P. Weaver and other Bristol physi-wing who had treated his brother The cians who had treated his brother. The names were carefully noted and presumably their testimony will be taken before ably their testimony will be taken before on the spot. When he saw what he the investigation is ended. Mr. Booz ex- had done he quietly walked out of the pressed a wish to retain for his family house and made his escape and has not

TRANSPORTATION MONOPOLIES lives in Buffalo. Mr. Booz's manly and New Line of Investigation to Be Start-

ed Barly in January Washington, Dec. 27,-Beginning early next month the industrial commission

question of transportation, Henry C. Adams, statistician of the Inter-State Commerce commission, will It is expected that the witness will include representatives of the operators in the anthracite coal regions, representatives of the State Railway Commis- and Miss Etta Virginia Borum of Sufsions, of the Longshoremen's Union and of the Lake Seamen's Union.

Death of Lieutenant Stack

Washington, Dec. 27 .- A cablegram from Manila announces the death from that another cadet had given him orders dysintery of Lieutenant Walter T.

ing the Omaha Kidnappers

WERE LOADED WITH GOLD

Suspicions of Altoona Police Aroused by the Presence of Roughly Dressed Customers Who Had Yellow Metal to Burn-They All Get Away Before Officers Geton Their Trail -A Woman Run Down for Stealing Her Child

Altoona, Pa., Dec. 27.-The local police think the Omaha kidnappers have strangers came in on a train from Chicago Tuesday night. They registered am going to try to get permission from papa and resign, and if I have my way I will be home inside of a week."

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There was no signature or date to Hotel insisted on buying drinks for everybody who entered the bar, the result being that about 11 p. m. he had

The landlord counted the gold and the Cudahy kidnappers. As he left the Sir Gatian 103, Donna Rita 104. phone after talking to the police the stranger demanded his bag of gold, paid 89, Hardly 90, Hoods Brigade 96, his bill and disappeared. He warned the Strangest 102, Miss Hanover 106, G two others and the trio got to the Penn- | Mart Gary 115. sylvania. Railroad station a few moments before the police. Telegrams have

party. The other "John Smiths" paid

their hotel bills in gold.

A Woman Steals Her Own Child Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 27 .- Sydney diller, the seven-year-old son of Samuel mother last evening, was recovered early the child were found at Lawrence, six they had obtained lodging for the night.

The finding of Mrs. Miller and notified of the case, measures were at ence taken to find the hackman who Twenty-fifth street contracting with a moment that the child was being kid-Q.—By Beneral Bates: When you say napped. After hearing Senour's story, the tobacco sauce was forced down the police started on the right track child were seriously injured in a fire perar Kwang Su. Prince Ching, called and had but little difficulty in finding the

Mrs. Miller formerly was Miss Helen nedy. Karcher of Pottstown, Pa. She married Miller nine years ago. Since last summer Miller has resided here and his wife in New York.

KILLED HIS WIFE

Granville County Negro Objects to Unbidden Visitors to His Home

Durham, N. C., Dec. 27-Special .-News has reached the city of a murder that was committed near Creedmoor, Granville county, night before last. The murderer was James Green (colored), particulars. All he knew about it, he returned home night before last at an dated Constantinople earlier hour than was expected and he found some other men in his home. They left and he then began to whip his wife. She tried to escape him and pocket and fired the fatal shot, the bullet penetrating her heart, killing her the scrap of letter that was introduced, been captured. Coroner Hobgood of morning as the guest of Mr. C. P. Je- less to step them until the treaty is and the request was granted.

Oxford held an inquest yesterday, and rome, a Chicago man who has a hunt- signed. The tremendous bill for the ter and was held in high esteem by all who knew him.

county is still on, and last night there the sport. were three in this city. The contractwill hear a number of witnesses on the Miss Fannie Bell Gooch, married at the to a Virginia lady. Eugene L. Barbee eral years ago. folk were the contracting parties. Mr. Englishmen Buy a Sugar Plantation the Esquimaux as a sub-ship. Barbee is a telegraph operator who went from here to Suffolk, where he accepted

a position with the Seaboard Air Line.

They will come here on a bridal tour.

bought the homestead property of President James Madison at Montpelier, Orange county, Va. The estate consists of about 1,300 acres and buildings. A force of mechanics from this city will soon go there to put the buildings in repair. The buildings were erected about 1714. President Madison spent his last British Are Trying to Force Mysterious Murder Committed in the

days there. Mr. Dupont says he has not determined whether he will occupy the property as a residence. Several years ago he bought Woolton Hall, a handsome homestead a few miles north of this city, and he is now living there. Mr. Louis F. Detrick, of Baltimore, was until regently the til recently the owner of Montpelier.

RACES AT NEW ORLEANS

New Orleans, Dec. 27 .- Results at New Orleans track: First race, selling, 1 mile-Blocker 8 to 1, Sunlocks 7 to 5, Petit Maitre 6 to

5. Time 1:43. Second race, selling, 3/4 mile—Snyco'd Sandy 5 to 2, Matin 5 to 1, Callear 30 to 1. Time 1:151/2. Third race, selling, 34 mile—Cogswell 8 to 1, Shut Up 2 to 1, Boomerack 4 to 5. Time 1:16.

Fourth race, handicap, 61/2 furlongs—Sir Florian 4 to 5, Annoy 3 to 1, Morroni 5 to 2. Time 1:211/8.

bacco 8 to 5. Time 1:151/2. Furber 3 to 1, Spurs 8 to 5, Phidias 8 to 1. Time 1:491/4.

Entries for Today

First race, selling, 1 mile—West Baden 103, Deporan 103, Cranburg 109, Paprincess 112, Leo Fergerson 112, L. W. 112, Mr. Brookwood 112, Charles After he had retired, "Smith" called ton 115, Tom Cromwell 115, Little Reg-

a bag that he wanted placed in the Second race, selling, 34 mile—Danella office safe. The landlord asked what the 100, Illustrious 100, Madeline Y. 100, Henry C. Rye 103, Handsqueeze 103, Cogswell 106, Algie M. 108, Nettie B. "Count it and see. I'm from a 108, St. Bluff 108, James J. Corbett 111,

Third race, selling, 11/2 mile-Little Boy Blue 88, Tom Gilmore 95, False During the night it dawned upon him 98, Capron 99, Woodtrice 99, Ben that he might be entertaining one of Chance 100, Banquo II 100, Sauber 103, Fourth race, Handicap, 1 mile-Isobel

Fifth race, selling, % mile-Water-house 95, W. B. Gates 109, Jim Conbeen sent to Harrisburg and other points way 95, Juniatta 95, Brown Vail 95, east in the hope of intercepting the Plantain 100, Cavallo 160, Chiffon 100, Judge Magee 100, Island Prince 103, Handouff 109, F. McConnell 169. Sixth race, selling, 1 mile-Eons 103, Domadge 103, C. P. Jones 103, Eschscholtizla 106, Lancewood 109, Dan Cupid 112, Bequeath 112, B. of F. Stamar 112, Pacemaker 115, Elsmore 115, Colonel Cassidy 115, Thebor 115.

FATAL CHRISTMAS AFFRAY

Slightly Wounded

Middleshoro, Ky., Dec. 27.—Frank Davis, Buck Chadwell, Estep Morgan, and Richard Davis quarreled last night at a dance at Walnut Hill. As a result one of the men was killed, two are dying and another slightly hurt.

A Rich Diamond Flud

Alamo Cordo, N. M., Dec. 27 .- A prominent railway official here today received a box of fifty gems closely resembling and alleged to be diamonds, the line of the El Paso and Northeastern Railway Company, eight miles north of this place. The stones were found by J. J. Blow, formerly associated with Kimberley, South Africa, who has been secretly investigating the field for the past month, and a letter from him accompanying the specimens states that they are either diamonds or something spected and if taken by the authorities so closely resembling the gems that they deceive him. They successfully stand every crude test known.

The gems will be sent away for final

A Chicago Fire with Fatal Results Chicago, Dec. 27.-One woman was of mysterious origin at 224 West Monroe street. The dead is Mrs. Mary Ken-

The injured are Mrs. Mary Mason, face and body badly burned, may die; Mrs. Louise Hannon, overcome by smoke, will recover; Hannon, 9-monthold child of Mrs. Hannon, overcome by smoke.

Cramps to Build a Ship for Turkey Philadelphia, Dec. 27.-Caarles H Cramp has confirmed the published statement that his arm had secured from the Turkish government a contract for a war ship. He could, however, give no and the victim was his wife. Green said, was contained in a cablegram nese commissioners forwarded to the General Williams, the agent for the that in their opinion the throne should Cramps, who negotiated the contract, to accept the terms immediately. They

New York. General Miles Goes Hunting

New Bern, N. C., Dec. 27 .- Special .-Gen. Nelson A. Miles arrived here this the jury rendered a verdict in according lodge at Rock Spring, on Trent maintenance of the foreign soldiers is Green had always borne a good charac- accompanied by Dr. Daly. The party in their demands and it is promised that went up the river on a naptha launch China will have to agree finally to all to be gone several days. They brought their terms. To quibble will only delay creditors to William H. Boynge. The The rush of holiday weddings in this dogs and a full complement of guns for what is inevitable, and the government

Indians on the War Path

Chihuahua, Mexico, Dec. 27.-The Aphome of the bride, 'Squire J. E. Owens | Chihuahua, Mexico, Dec. 27.—The Apofficiating; Walter P. Hayes and Miss aches are on the warpath in this State, be examined as to the taxation of transportation companies and Frank Parson of Boston, will be asked to tell the commission what he knows regarding monomission what he knows Bessie Link, married at the bride's and the inhabitants of Granada are er-

> New Orleans, Dec. 27 .- The United Railroad and Trading Company of London has purchased the Kenilworth su-Wilmington, Del., Dec. 27.—William Dupont, who lives near this city, has

Him to Fight

Unless the Boers Can Slip Through the Lines They Will Be Compelled to Try Conclusions on the Battlefield-London Regins to Feel Easy Over the Situation in South Africa-Favorable News from the Front

London, Dec. 27 .- According to the atest reports from the scenes of war in South Africa, the British have overtaken the Boer invaders of Cape Colony, and there is a prospect of a desperate and perhaps decisive battle be-Fifth race, selling, % mile—Command perate and perhaps decisive battle be-15 to 1, Juanita 15 to 1, Horseshoe To- tween them. For some time General DeWet and his army have eluded all of Sixth race, selling, 1 1-16 mile-Dick General Kitchener's men, but the British, it appears, have at last succeeded effect in Smythe's head. The bullets in drawing a cordon of troops around the have been removed, but it is not thought wily burghers.

General-Kitchener in a telegram to the War Office, reports that Generals knox, Barker, Pilcher and White are engaging General DeWet's force which is holding a position near Leuwkop. It is said, however, that DeWet hopes to break through the British lines again and proceed southward.

General Kitchener also reports that in J. W. Lamb with a large quantity of Cape Colony the eastern column of the feed stuff and several small out build-Boers has apparently been headed off ings were destroyed by fire this afterby the British troops in the neighbor- noon. Firemen fought faithfully, but hood of Rietpoort Spruit. The western the large building was doomed to de-Boer column has gone to the north and struction. At one time, the entire block is being pursued by two strong British commands. Under today's date General Kitchen-er telegraphs the War Office as fol-

"Yesterday 200 Boers attacked the driven off by the police. "At 2 o'clock this morning the enemy

attacked Utrecht, but were forced to re-"Another party of Boers held up a train near Pan, but were driven off. "The pursuit of the Boer forces in

Cape Colony continues.' The feeling in London over the South African situation is considerably better. Now that the British have overtaken the elusive burghers, it is believed that they can be forced into a decisive engagement before many days, unless through some clever move DeWet manages to again break through his opponent's lines and disappear into some One Man Killed, Iwo Fatally and One other part of the country, necessitating another long pursuit. Military experts here expect to hear

important news from the front within a few days, and it is understood that the War Office is confidently looking for gratifying reports from General Attch-The Cape Colony Dutch do not seem

to be as much in sympathy with the invading burghers as reported, and the feeling of alarm over a general uprising in the colonies appears to have subsided. London, Dec. 27.-A dispatch from Pretoria says that on December 20th General Kitchener issued a proclama-

tion in which he stated that all burghers who surrendered would be allowed to live in government laagers until the cessation of the present guerrilla warfare, and would allow of their safe return to their homes. Any property which they bring in at

the time of their surrender will be refor military purposes will be paid for.

EMPEROR ADVISED TO SIGN

Allies in China in a Position to Dictate Terms of Peace Pekin, Dec. 27 .- Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching, the Chinese peace com-

burned to death and two others and a missioners, have heard from the Emon the former for consultation, remaining over an hour.

The court objects strenuously to reducing the forts, and also to allowing permanent legation guards, which it seems to think could be made sufficiently large at any time it was desired to menace the court itself. After the conference it was decided to hold further communication with the

court before seeing the ministers. There is absolutely no question about the feeling of the Chinese regarding the preliminary demands of the powers, at least so far as the commissioners are concerned. There is unquestionable authority for the statement that the Chithe effect that the Turkish minister of marine had signed a contract for a first class cruiser. General Williams added that he had left the Turkish capital for a condition of affairs which is a disgrace to the Manchu dynasty. Furthermore, expeditions are being sent to all parts of the country, killing Chinese and tak-

> More of these expeditions are projected and the commissioners are helpmight as well agree quickly. Therefore the commissioners advise the throne that the note should be signed immediately.

ing money from officials.

Ship Bougut for Arctic Exploration

London, Dec. 27 .- Mr. Evelyn B. Bald-Owens. News has also reached Durate to a part of the tribe which escaped ham of the marriage of a Durhamite from the White River repervation sevto a Virginia lady. Eugene L. Barbee eral years ago. tion, whose organizers desired to secure tution a cash balance of about \$60,000.

Representative Sulzer's Father Dead

HOTON DEWET'S TRAIL He leaves a widow and seven children, Representative Sulzer being next to the

SHOT BY A WOMAN

Indianapolis Masonic Temple

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 27.—William H. S. Smythe, grand secretary of the Masonic order of Indiana, was shot and probably fatally wounded at noon today in his office in the Masonic Temple. ple. The shooting is a mystery. The story told by Mr. Smythe, who retained consciousness for several minutes after the shooting, is that a blond woman entered his office and asked to be allowed to use the telephone.

As he was very busy, he told her he could not be bothered at the time. Without further words, he declares the woman drep a revolver and fired at him, He felt the sting of the bullet, but did not realize, what happened until after the woman escaped.

Police quickly reached the scene and threw a line of patromen and detec-tives around the Masonic Temple, but no trace of the mysterious woman was found.

Lewis A. Coleman, an attorney who had gone to the Masonic Temple to transact business, discovered Smythe, who, he says, was lying on the floor, half way betwee his desk and the door of his office, in a pool of blood. An examination showed that three shots had been fired, each of which took

FIRE IN GOLDSBORO

Smythe can recover.

Livery and Sale Stables of Capt. J. W Lamb Destroyed Yesterday

Goldsboro, N. C., Dec .27.-Special.-The livery and sale stables of Capt. was in danger. Several adjacent buildings caught on fire, so intense was the heat. Fortunately there was almost a dead calm and yet live coals as large as one's hand were carried a distance of a hundred yards. Captain Lamb had a police post at Boksburg. They were large number of horses and mules in the stables, but these were saved. The only horse burned as owned by Denning & Summerlin. The value of the property destroyed is estimated at about \$6,000,

with insurance of \$3,600. The fire originated in the rear of the building and is supposed to have started from a cigarette stump carelessly dropped by a little boy. The largest fire within the history of the city was caused by this same weapon of destruc-

RAISE THEIR OWN BANANAS

Fruit Company Going into the Business on a Large Scale

New Orleans, Dec. 27 .- The United Fruit Company which has a monopoly of the trade in tropical fruits shows a disposition to concentrate its busine s in Cuba, raising its own boananas and cocoanuts. This will tender it free from the interference in its business caused by Central American revolutions and the bananas will be nearer New Orleans, New York, and other American ports. The company has just purchaser 198,000 acres of land in eastern Cuba, fronting upon the Nipe bay, au excellent port. Mr. Burnham, one of the company's vice presidents, came down from Boston to close the bargain. The tract cost \$750,000. The United Fruit people have bought another tract of land in western Cubba, near the Pina Del Rio port of Mantua, abreast of the Yucatan channel, the bulk of which is suitable for bananas. It will be connected by rail with the Cuban capital.

Died at 107 Years of Age

Montrose, Pa., Dec. 27.-Michael Maloney, a farmer of Lenox township, is dead at his home at the age of 107 years. His death was recorded to-day in the office of the register and recorder in this city and is the only instance in the history of Susquehanna county where the death of such a person of such an advanced age is a matter of record. Mr. Maloney was a native of

Burglar Shot in the Head

Tarboro, N. C., Dec. 27.—Special.—At Speed, N. C., about 7:30 last evening, an unknown negro about twentyyears of age attempted to break into the dwelling of Ben Whitley (colored). Frank Shirley, a negro boy, shot wice through a window through which entry was being made, but failed to scare off the would-be burglar. The third shot took effect in the head, exposing much of the brain. Death is expected.

Turkish Barbarity in Albania

Vienna, Dec. 27 .- A dispatch from Salonica says that a body of Bashiba-zonks surrounded a Greek church at Bania in Albania while service was in progress, and after smashing the windows set fire to the edifice. When the worshippers tried to escape they were driven back into the flames and twenty of them were burned to death. Many of the Christians were wounded by stones and knives.

Stock Brokers Fail

New York, Dec. 27.—Currier and Bunker, who did business as stock brokers at 21 Park Row, made an assignment to-day for the benefit of their senior member of the firm, Israel L. Currier, was a member of the Consolfidated Exshange. No statement has been made of the firm's assets or la-

Legacy for a Training School

bbilities.

Insulted by Turkish Soldiers

London, Dec. 27.-A dispatch from Elizabeth, N. J., Dec. 27 .- Thomas Sul- Constantinople says that Turkish solgar plantation, just below New Orleans, zer, aged sixty-eight years, father of diers recently grossly assaulted the Brit-for \$1,610,200. The plantation includes Representative William Sulzer, died this ish Charge D'Affaires in the vicinity of