600 RUSSIANS DROWNED. Battleship Petropovlosk Strikes One of its Own Mines and is Destroyed.

St. Petersburg, April 13 .-While going out to meet the Japanese fleet off Port Arthur the Petropovlosk struck a mine in the outer road, heeled over, turned turtle and sank. Practically the entire crew was lost. Only four officers were saved, among them Duke Cyril. The vessel was flying the flag of Admiral Magaroff. The result of could agree. the naval battle which, according to most reliable authority, is in progress, has not been received. Another account says 20 men escaped from the disaster to the Petropovlosk. It is estimated that from 600 to 700 men perished in the sinking vessel. Cyril was saved only by a miracle. His brother, Grand Duke Boris, witnessed the catastrophe, through a marine field glass. According to high authority the latest advices received at the winter palace here are that the naval battle is still progressing off Port Arthur.

St. Petersburg, April 13-The awful disaster of the battleship Petropovlosk at Port Arthur, with the loss of almost her en tire crew of over 600 men, and the death of Vice Admiral Maka roff, has been a terriffic blow to the Russians. It would have fallen less heavily if the ship and the commander in chief had been lost in battle, but as the result of another accident following upon the heels of a succession of tragedies of which the Port Arthur fleet has been the victim, it has created something like consternation.

Sen. Overman Declares for Parker

He Believes the New York Judge is the Man to Beat Roosevelt-He Gives the Bittle Cry for a Winning Fight.

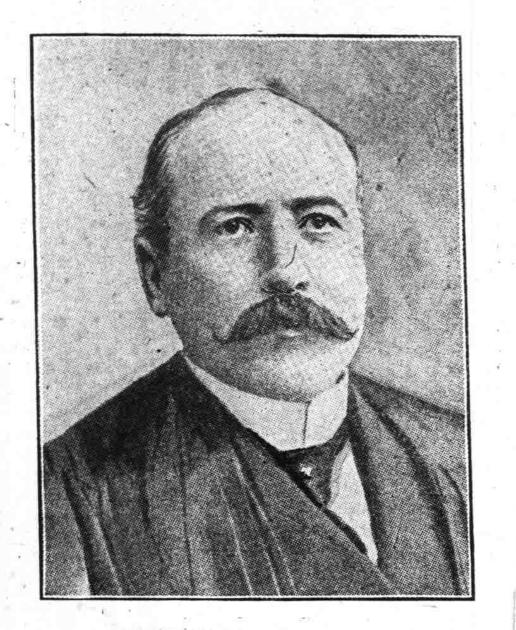
Thomas J. Pence in Raleigh Post.

Washington, April 6 - Senator Overman, who has declined for more than a year to commit himself to any of the candidates mentioned in connection with the Democratic presidential nomination, lies the armorclad body of Willdeclared today that Judge Parker will in all probability be the nomince The junior senator has been favorably inclined to Parker, a diver. He has lain there since but he never went further than to express the hope that the nomi- 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, nee would be a safe, conservative man, upon whom all Democrats

Senator Overman said today :

"It looks as though Judge Parker will secure the nomination at St! Louis. Everybody is apparently for him. The declaration John Dobson, his helper, who of Ex President Cleveland in his favor has attracted no little atten- held his lifeline throughout the tion, and it was stated at the capitol today that Mr. Bryan will soon night and day, is certain that declare himself in favor of the New York judge. If we go to St. he received intelligible signals Louis with that sort of support for our nominee, we will be invincible in this contest and Mr. Roosevelt will be retired to private life.

"We should have a platform upon which all elements of the party can unite. In my opinion it should say 'Down with corrup. iron strength may have held out



Held Fast by the Leg Beneath Seventy Feet of Water.

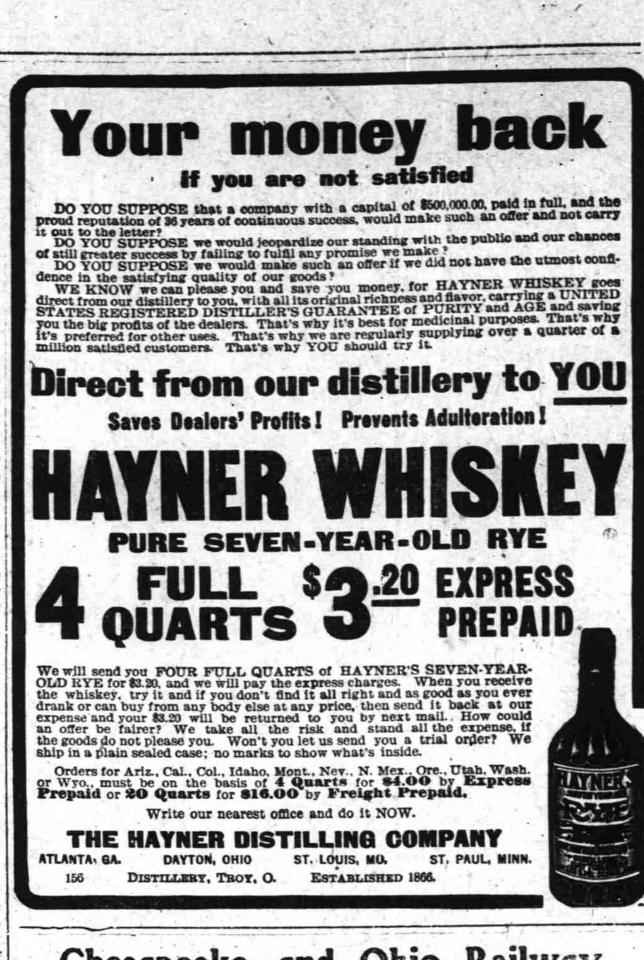
DIVER'S AWFUL PREDICAMENT

Boonton, N. J., April 19.-Held fast by the leg at the mouth of a rushing sluiceaway seventy feet beneath the surface of the great Rockaway River Reservoir, one mile southeast of this place,

iam Hoar, thirty-two years old, and tonight no one knows whether he is alive or dead. It seems certain that he was conscious up to 7 o'clock this morning, and from him after 1 o'clock this af-

ternoon. On the bare chance that Hoar's against the pressure of water in which he lies, the terror of the sucking current all about him, and the cold and darkness, steadfast men tonight are pumping air down to him from a raft moored out in the lake above his head, nor will they stop for many hours to come.

William Olesen, who was Hoar's companion in many perilous ventures beneath the sea, was called by special train as soon as it was known that the man had been caught in the cruel suction. Olesen went down to him again and again during the night, and is certain that he exchanged a hand clasp with him at 7 o'clock this morning, after a team of horses had failed to draw the prisoner from his dreadful position, and found him limp in the current' "I shook his arms like pump handles," says Myers. but he made no sign, and I am sure that it's all up with him."



Chesapeake and Ohio Railway WORLD'S FAIR SCENIC ROUTE

What occurred prior to the blowing up of the flagship is only vaguely known, except that Vice Admiral Makaroff, with his flag flying on the doomed vessel, sailed out to engage the enemy until his re-inforcements ap peared.

It is thought possible that Vice Admiral Togo planned an ambuscade by sending in a small squadron in the hope of drawing out the Russian commander to the open and then cutting off his escape.

Probably it was one of the mines for which the charts were lost that blew up the battleship. Trusts Will Contribute Largely to

Republican Fund.

Chatham Record.

It is published in the Boston Advertiser, a Roosevelt Republican paper, that Andrew Carnegie licans. has sent word to Roosevelt that he will contribute one million dollars, if necessary, to his election.

Of course he will, and he could well afford to do it. As is well known, Mr. Carnegie is the multimillionaire president of the wealthiest trust or corporation in the world, the notorious steel trust that has a capital of over one billion dollars. The Republican party has fostered and enriched the trusts and of course Dyspepsia annoys the dyspeptic's the trusts are so anxious to continue Republican rule that they disposition as well as his stomach. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will not only will again give large sums of money to the campaign fund.

quired a lot of money because he ach. When you take Kodol Dyspepsia never told a lie and was perfect. Cure the food you eat is enjoyed. It a freak in a dime museum.

sult. If a man loses all his money he also manages to lose nearly all his enemies.



Like the running brook, the groom inquired. red blood that flows through the veins has to come from

JUDGE ALTON B. PARKER.

tion in office and rottenness in high politics; down with graft; trouble. It draws out the inflamadown with government by executive order; down with this dangerous and alarming tendency to centralize power in the hands of the executive and to rough ride over the rights of the people down sustaining oxygen to the blood and with Rooseveltism. 'The pact ve

of the laws against the criminal trusts and stablished and rundamental trusts and from Thomas Jefferson down.

"Business men are beginning to think with the people" Senator Overman declared, "and the man in the White House is not the man for president of the government of the people, for the people and by the people. In the language of Senator Platt, the Democratic party is sane and in a dangerous condition for the Repub-

Senator Simmons made it clear today that he is for Judge Parker and that he had the New York judge in mind when he was describing the man the Democracy would nominate in his speech in the Senate last week. The Brooklyn Eagle discussed this speech in a column editorial, which was favorable, and concluded per cent. of the total number. with the opinion that the senator had Judge Parker it mind. When asked about this subject today, the senator expressed the opinion that Judge Parker would be the nominee. He also stated that under all the circumstances he considered him the srongest and most available candidate.

Are You a Dyspeptic?

Sold by James Plummer.

"Firm and tight?"

The J. P. Got His Fee.

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Democracy as a

If you are a dyspeptic you owe it to The Commoner. yourself and your friends to get well. The mechanical geniu met the friends because his disease sours his pastor and gleefully exlaimed :

box that will result in itreasing cure dyspepsia, indigestion and sour contributions.' stomach, but this palatable, reconstructive tonic digestant strengthens Once there was a man who ac-

ings to me." ly honest. He got rich posing as is digested, assimilated and its nu- attachments," said thegenius. above mentioned suffer from them. "When anything less tha doltrient properties appropriated by the blood and tissues. Health is the re-

lar is dropped into thebox the bell rings. When a dlar or more is dropped in th phonograph sings, 'All for Thee.' Great, isn't it?"

Discouraging.

The justice of the peace had "My friend," said theastor, just finished the ceremony and 'your intentions are gd, but was looking at the happy couple my greatest problem nois how in a smilingly expectant manner. to get people to attend nurch. will not fail you. "Are we married?" the bride Your invention will enty the

few remaining pews no occu-"You are," the justice replied. pied."

A Cure for Headache

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permanently by enabling the lungs to declare for tariff revision and incdental pleasant to take and it is good alike address for young and old.

Fearful Mortality.

Sold by James Plummer.

In New York State during March there were 12,740 deaths, average of about 440 deaths per day. This record exceeds by almost 2,000 the average for the month during the past five years. Pneumonia was the chief cause of the increase, there being 1,820 deaths from that cause, or 143 Smallpox exists in 47 municipali-

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less active than a month ago.





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