

AMEND ALDRICH BILL.

Progress Toward Disposition of Measure in Senate.

Washington, March 26.—Some progress was made toward the disposition of the Aldrich currency bill in the Senate to-day, notwithstanding the fact that it was not taken up until late in the session, which was continued until an unusually late hour. When the bill was reached, at 3:12 o'clock, several amendments had been considered and disposed of. Senator Simmons spoke at length on his amendment reducing the interest to be paid on the emergency currency to one-quarter of 1 per cent during the first three months of its issue, and one-half of 1 per cent after that period. This amendment was defeated.

Speaking of the attitude of New York bankers on the pending bill, Mr. Dewey read a letter declaring that the New York State Bankers' Association disapproved of the proposed legislation and favored an asset currency.

Mr. Culberson, of Texas, spoke against the bond feature of the bill. Senator Nelson renewed his amendment requiring banks to pay interest on deposits of government funds at a rate of not less than 1 per cent a month. Earlier in the day this amendment had received the endorsement of the Committee on Finance and was therefore slated for acceptance.

Mr. Clay, of Georgia, moved to increase to 2 per cent the minimum interest to be charged, but the motion was defeated, 17 to 23.

An amendment to the Nelson amendment by Mr. McLaughlin providing that the rate of interest paid by national banks shall be uniform throughout the United States was accepted. Mr. Culberson, of Texas, offered an additional amendment requiring interest to be paid for August, September, October and November at the rate of 1 1/2 per cent, for December, January, February and March at 2 per cent, and April, May, June and July at 3 per cent, which was defeated. In advocating this proposition Mr. Culberson referred to J. Pierpont Morgan as "sponsor of this bill."

The Senate adopted the Nelson amendment as amended by Mr. McLaughlin at the rate of 1 1/2 per cent on deposits in excess of \$100,000. The amendment including bonds of the Philippine government and those of the city of Manila among securities to be accepted was adopted 21 to 25. This amendment had received the endorsement of the Finance Committee, as had also the one next to be offered, by Senator Johnston, of Alabama. This provided that four-fifths of the 15 per cent reserve of banks out of reserve cities shall be kept in lawful money in the vaults of the banks, and also that one-third of the amount kept in the vaults may be in the form of securities of the class named in the bill. As this amendment met with some opposition, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow.

MORE PERSONALITIES IN HOUSE.

Day's Session Results in Raps at President, but Little Action.

Washington, March 26.—More shafts of sarcasm and invective were aimed at President Roosevelt in the House of Representatives to-day. Mr. Healy, of Texas, charged the President with having been guilty of "a disgusting usurpation of power" not only toward the nation, but toward the judiciary as well. Congress had, he said, abdicated to him its powers, and the judiciary of the country felt the effect of his influence.

The agricultural appropriation bill was considered for amendment, and when it was laid aside for the day there had been struck out the provision for new weather stations in the states of Texas, Kansas, Virginia, Michigan, Vermont, Missouri and Indiana. At 5 o'clock the House adjourned.

DEBATE ON SEATING NEW SENATOR.

Credentials of Smith of Maryland Accepted Subject to Committee's Action.

Washington, March 26.—In the Senate to-day the credentials of Senator-elect John Walter Smith, of Maryland, became the subject of a discussion that consumed nearly four hours. The outcome of the debate was a vote of 14 to 29 in favor of receiving his credentials and leaving the regularity of his election to be considered by the Committee on Privileges and Elections and by the Senate later.

Senator Burrows, chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, objected to the admission of the Senator-elect on the ground that the law requires that two Tuesdays shall intervene between the notice of a vacancy in the Senate and an election. The late Senator Walter died on a Tuesday, and his successor was chosen on the following Tuesday.

Senator Ratner asserted that the statute had been complied with, that to deny his colleague his seat would cost \$200,000, and that Mr. Smith should be sworn in and his case considered by the proper committee.

Many speeches were made. The vote gives Mr. Smith his seat, but does not finally dispose of the question of his right to retain it. The Committee on Privileges and Elections will now take the matter up for consideration.

ANSWERS HOUSE ON MAINE WRECK.

Washington, March 26.—Secretary McCall transmitted to-day to the House his answer to its resolution asking for all letters and data as to the cost of the legal status under which Congress may exercise immediate or future action for the removal of the wreck of the United States battleship Maine and provide burial for the dead now lying in the bulk in the harbor of Havana.

The Secretary forwarded a mass of documents, going back to the time the Maine was blown up. He said that under a contract terminated April 2, 1898, \$20,000 was expended. The contract provided that if the bulk was raised the contractors were to receive an additional sum of \$100,000. The total number of bodies recovered was 138, leaving sixty-two not found.

The Secretary said that the matter should be settled by a convention with Cuba, which could be submitted to the Senate for its concurrence.

MAY REPAY STONE RANSOM MONEY.

Washington, March 26.—President Roosevelt today transmitted to Congress a recommendation by the Secretary of State for an appropriation to reimburse the persons who furnished the money required to ransom Miss Ellen M. Stone from Bulgarian bandits a number of years ago. The Secretary of State was arranged by the United States with Turkey, but the money for her ransom was raised by missionary organizations in this country.

JAPANESE SUIT SETTLED FOR \$450.

Washington, March 26.—The State Department today issued a statement that an agreement had been reached whereby the suit for damages by certain Japanese against the city and council of San Francisco for mob violence on September 7, 1907, will be settled by the payment to the Japanese \$450.

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ENDS LIFE FROM BRIDGE.

Young Man Who Had No Work Jumps to East River.

Edward J. Dittmars, the seventeen-year-old son of Dr. James G. Dittmars, of No. 1234, Sixth avenue, Brooklyn, leaped from the Brooklyn Bridge to the East River during the noon hour yesterday, and was dead when picked up by a passing tug. Dittmars boarded a trolley car at the Manhattan end of the bridge. He stood on the back platform until it approached the middle span, when he jumped off and ran to the outer railing of the bridge. It was not until he did this that the conductor's attention was attracted to him, and the young man's purpose was not fully realized until he climbed to the top of the ironwork. After steadying himself a moment he jumped out into space, his body turning over and over before it struck the water.

The tugboat Charles P. Kuper was coming up the river, and Captain Russell saw Dittmars strike the water with a splash, sending up a big shower of spray. He headed the tug in that direction, and one of the crew grabbed the body with a boat hook as it floated by.

The tug headed for the pier of the New York Dock Company at Dock street, Brooklyn, where, although the boy was dead, an ambulance from the Brooklyn Hospital was summoned. The police had been informed and were on the scene when the tug reached Brooklyn.

Lester Dittmars, a brother, said that Edward was dependent because he was out of work. He was engaged to be married. There was no objection to the marriage. Lester Dittmars said, "but my brother was discouraged because he could not get work."

NEAR EPIDEMIC NOW.

Many Cases of Scarlet Fever and Measles in the City.

Scarlet fever and measles are almost epidemic in this city. Measles has assumed such proportions that the Department of Health is about ready to admit that it is epidemic, but so thoroughly are the contagious and infectious diseases in control now that the authorities are loath to admit that they can assume epidemic proportions. This is the year for a preponderance of measles, but it is one year early for scarlet fever, which has almost epidemic proportions every three years. At the same time scarlet fever is prevalent, and in unusual proportion. In Brooklyn, in some of the children's institutions, it has assumed serious form. In Manhattan it is distributed almost evenly throughout the inspection districts.

The following tables will show the proportion of scarlet fever cases this year as compared with last:

Table with 4 columns: Year, Cases, Proportion. Rows for 1907 and 1908, with monthly breakdowns.

It was said at the Health Department yesterday that the situation is in better control than ever, and that there was really no reason for serious apprehension.

The prevalence of contagious diseases in several of Brooklyn's charitable institutions is laid to the fact that the Department of Health issued orders recently that all institutions and hospitals should care for their own contagious cases instead of sending them to the Contagious Diseases Hospital, at Kingston avenue and Rutland road, Flatbush.

MORE WATER FOR BROOKLYN.

Flow of 500,000 Gallons Found at Seaford 800 Feet Below Surface.

The city engineers have struck water at Seaford, Long Island, at a depth of 800 feet under ground, which has so strong a flow as to convince the Deputy Water Commissioner, Mr. Conder, that he can get 250,000 gallons a day from the place without difficulty. The water flows from a stratum of white Loess gravel. Two wells have been sunk so far. One is near the railroad station and one about 500 feet away. One of the wells has a flow of 144,000 gallons a day, and with the utilization of the air lift system the two wells can be made to yield together half a million gallons. The deep wells give Brooklyn a generous percentage of better quality water, and the water officials believe that they will be used to a far greater extent in the future.

MORSE ANSWERS HANNA'S COMPLAINT.

Denies That He Controlled Bank of North America or Owes It \$405,676 02.

Gifford, Hobbs & Board, attorneys for Charles W. Morse, filed his answer yesterday in the United States Circuit Court, in the action instituted by Charles A. Hanna, as receiver of the National Bank of North America, to recover various sums of money, aggregating \$405,676.02, said to be due the bank.

Morse denies that he controlled and controlled all the business and operations of the National Bank of North America or that there is now due Receiver Hanna \$405,676.02, with interest, or any other sum. He also denies the allegation that there is due the receiver \$121,677 or an additional sum of \$1,000.

Similar denial is made by Morse concerning the sum of \$200,000 mentioned in paragraph 11, \$2,500,000 mentioned in paragraph 12, \$2,500,000 mentioned in paragraph 13, and \$2,500,000 mentioned in paragraph 14.

BOROUGH BANK APPRAISERS REPORT.

Book Value of Assets \$4,353,847 and Their Appraised Value \$4,295,175.

Kingston, N. Y., March 26.—The report of the appraisers appointed by Clark Williams, Superintendent of Banks, to appraise the assets of the Borough Bank of Brooklyn, which is now in the hands of Isaac N. Cox, of Ellenville, and Henry A. Powell, of Brooklyn, as temporary receivers, has been filed today by Superintendent Williams.

The book value of the assets is shown to be \$4,353,847.44 and their appraised value given as \$4,295,175.18, a net loss of \$58,672.26. There is a difference between these values on the first footing of \$81,071.26, of which \$29,256.92 is charged against the restitution fund, bringing the total appraised value to the \$4,295,175.18.

The restitution fund is composed of ninety-two shares due to the operations of William Gow, Howard Maxwell, A. D. Campbell, John S. Jenkins, R. W. Haef and Frank W. Doolittle, who died or assigned to the Borough Bank properties and securities amounting to \$1,927,844.74, against which their operations have been charged. The appraisers consider they are placed conservative estimates on this property, and therefore appraise the assets of the Borough Bank by reason of operations of Gow, Maxwell and others at full value.

BANK BRANCH SOLD AT AUCTION.

In compliance with a court order the branch of the Williamsburg Trust Company, at Broadway and Myrtle avenue, Williamsburg, was sold at public auction yesterday. Only one bid was made by Henry A. Rubino, representing the Corn Exchange Bank, paid \$30,000 for the office fixtures, personal property and goodwill.

WILLIAMS ASKS BANK REPORTS.

Albany, March 26.—Clark Williams, Superintendent of Banks, today issued a call for a report of the condition of state banks, trust companies and individual bankers as of the close of business yesterday, March 25. The reports must be submitted within ten days.

TO SPEED \$5,000,000.

Plans Being Made to Improve Brooklyn's Transit Facilities.

Following the announcement that J. P. Morgan & Co. had become the head and main force for extensive improvements in Brooklyn transportation facilities are being prepared by Mr. Morgan's representatives. They will, it was said, be submitted to Mr. Morgan as soon as practicable after his return from Europe. It is understood that between \$5,000,000 and \$50,000,000 will be expended in Brooklyn Rapid Transit improvements in the near future. Much, however, depends upon the company securing rights of way over the Brooklyn, Williamsburg and Manhattan bridges, and the connecting of the terminals of these bridges on the Manhattan side.

With these facilities it would be possible for the Brooklyn Rapid Transit to operate the subway loop through the subway extensions to the North River from the Williamsburg and Manhattan bridges, which is planned by the Public Service Commission.

The plans also include the four tracking of the Fulton street elevated line to Franklin avenue and the Brighton Beach line to Church street, and the extension of the elevated line to Myrtle avenue, elevated lines. It is planned also to elevate the Culver, West End and Sea Beach lines now operating on the surface.

NO DALLING WITH P. S. BOARD.

Commissioner Bassett Will Give Only One More Delay in Fare Hearing.

At the hearing yesterday on the proposition to establish a 5-cent fare to Flushing over the Brooklyn Heights Railroad Commissioner Bassett, of the Public Service Commission, made it plain that it was not the intention of that body to allow repeated adjournments in such inquiries.

The hearing, in which the Flushing Association is the complainant, had been adjourned on March 18 until yesterday, to give counsel for the association and for the Brooklyn Heights Railroad Company an opportunity to draw up an agreed statement of facts. Yesterday the railroad company pleaded for more time, because of the delay in the hearing, which was in Jamaica and counsel for the Flushing Association was not ready to present testimony.

Commissioner Bassett granted an adjournment until April 2, but said: "This is a matter of commanding public interest. The Legislature is naturally impatient to find out how soon proper transportation may be obtained, of which may be based an order in one of these 10-cent fare cases. Such matters are of such importance that they should take precedence over everything else coming before this body for investigation."

The hearings set for yesterday on the complaints of J. Monheimer and Scott MacReynolds that the Brooklyn Union Elevated and the Coney Island & Brooklyn Railroad companies charge an excessive rate in making a 10-cent fare from Coney Island on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, were also postponed. William N. Dykman, counsel for the Coney Island & Brooklyn Railroad, protested that the commission should not be a party to the proceeding when the complainant was represented by counsel, if it were also to act in a judicial capacity.

CONFER ON FOURTH AVENUE SUBWAY.

Controller Metz, Corporation Counsel Pendleton and Chief Engineer Lewis, who form the select committee on the Fourth avenue subway to report this morning to the Board of Estimate, had a conference yesterday afternoon in Mr. Pendleton's office. Mr. Metz told his colleagues he favored building the first section anyway, although it could be done under present financial conditions. The land for the subway has been divided into three sections, two of which are to be built at once. The members will recommend the construction of these sections, too, however, if they can get modifications in the routes or plans.

SUBWAY CRANKS THREATEN METZ.

Controller Metz received three letters yesterday threatening him with death if the construction of the proposed subways is not begun at once. One writer wants the Coney Island subway built; another pleads for the Lexington avenue subway; and the other voice calls for the Bronx tube. The Controller said yesterday he was now in the same class as Judge Dike and Miss Strachan.

WALDO AFTER GUN CARRIERS.

Italians Grieving Over Activity of Aqueduct Police in Disarming Them.

The new police force on the Catskill aqueduct under the command of Rhineland Waldo, has started in to disarm the Italian laborers on the aqueduct work near the village of Peekskill. This may not be exactly the work that the police are employed to do, but Captain Waldo assumes that it comes within the purview of the law which authorized the organization of the force, and he is gathering all the revolvers and shotguns in sight, and, in fact, many that have not been in sight at all.

One of Waldo's men in passing a shanty the other day noticed the butt of a pistol sticking out of the hip pocket of a laborer. He arrested him, much to the surprise of the Italian, and took him to Peekskill village, where he was arraigned before Justice Oldfield. After listening to all the evidence, Justice Oldfield fined Giuseppe \$50 or six months in jail. When the sentence was pronounced Giuseppe said "c'ok en" truly and was so easily subdued. He did not have that much money. His friends, rather than see him go to jail, raised the fine by subscription.

The court then compelled the interpreter to tell all of Giuseppe's friends that if they carried weapons of any kind the new policemen would catch them, and that they would be sent to jail, raised the fine by subscription. The court then compelled the interpreter to tell all of Giuseppe's friends that if they carried weapons of any kind the new policemen would catch them, and that they would be sent to jail, raised the fine by subscription.

TRIED TO STEAL FROM WINDOW.

Sailor, Seventy Years Old, Said He Had Not Eaten for Two Days.

"I couldn't help it, boss, I was simply starving, and haven't eaten anything for two days," was the excuse of Thomas Kennedy, a poorly clad, decrepit, emaciated old sailor, seventy years old, Lieutenant Lane, in the Church street station last night, after he had broken the window of C. B. Richard's banking and foreign forwarding office at No. 21 Broadway.

Kennedy asked one of the clerks in the office for a little money to get something to eat, but it was refused. When the old man got to the sidewalk he picked up a brick, and throwing it feebly through the window tried to grab a 50 franc note and a 100 franc note displayed there. He was easily caught and held until a patrolman came up and arrested him.

TO SAFEGUARD ALIEN GIRLS.

The Emanuel Sisterhood of Personal Service, of No. 315 East 82d street, has appointed a committee to look after the conditions of homes to which immigrant girls are sent after they leave Ellis Island. In the month of February this society spent \$2,256.62 for the relief of 47 families.

FORMING NEW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.

A movement has been started to form an alumni association of former graduates of the school attached to the Church of the Immaculate Conception. John P. Dooling, James E. Pegnam, Charles P. Dillon, John Daly, Matthew W. Ryan, James B. Lee and Joseph A. Courtney are interested in this and an appeal will be sent to all former students and graduates to send their names and addresses to Monsignor Murphy, at No. 562 East 14th street. Mr. Dillon was elected chairman of a temporary organization last night, and Mr. Lee is the temporary secretary. Mr. Dillon will be delegate to the Associated Alumni Association of the Parochial Schools of New York.

ARMY AND NAVY NEWS.

Suggestions Offered by Officers of Admiral Evans's Fleet.

[From The Tribune Bureau.] Washington, March 26.—LESSONS OF THE CRUISE.—The Secretary of the Navy may designate a special board to consider Admiral Evans's report on the characteristics of the ships of his command. This report, comprising papers from some 100 officers and 1000 sailors attached to the fleet who have supplied answers to numerous specific questions relating to naval design, construction and equipment. These questions were prepared by the chief of construction and sent some time ago to Rear Admiral Evans, with instructions that they be handed to officers who should be required to express themselves freely concerning what they regarded as the defects of the ships, with recommendations of remedy and improvement.

In this way the department has now come into possession of a vast quantity of information. The reports submitted by the officers have been synopsized by Naval Constructor Robinson, who has been on duty with the fleet since the departure from Hampton Roads. The information includes all possible recommendations, some of them conflicting and some of them impossible to carry out. Among other suggestions are the abandonment of heavy boat cranes, the placing below deck of auxiliary engines, changes in storage capacity, increase of radius of the conning tower on certain vessels, enlargement of the conning tower on certain vessels, condemnation of the interlarding screw and change in the form of the conning tower to an elliptical shape.

ORDERS ISSUED.—The following orders have been issued:

ARMY. Captain FREDERICK S. L. PRICE, 8th Infantry, detailed professor of military action, North Georgia Agricultural College, Dalton, Ga., from August 1, to Port Leavenworth. Major WILLIAMS, 5th Infantry, to Port Leavenworth. Major JAMES CANBY, paymaster, to Department of the Columbia, as chief paymaster. Following assignments to infantry ordered: Colonel WILLIAMS PATLING, to 24th; Lieutenant Colonel WILLIAM A. SHIPLEY, to 10th; Captain JOHN W. MOORE, to 1st; Vanover Baracks; Captain REUBEN SMITH, to 16th; Captain CHASE HUNTER, to 21st. Captain CHARLES W. BROWNLEE, assistant surgeon, from military to 10th Infantry, to the Philippines. Captain ROBERT F. WOODS, assistant surgeon, from 10th Infantry to unassigned list, to artillery school, Fort Seward, N. Y. Captain WILLIAM H. BURE, paymaster, from San Francisco, to Chicago. First Lieutenant J. D. WAREFIELD, 30th Infantry, from St. Paul, to his regular station. Second Lieutenant FRED L. GERLACH, Philippine Scouts, to the Philippines. Contract Surgeon THOMAS G. HOLMES, from 7th Infantry, to Fort Wayne, to San Francisco to the Philippines. Leaves of absence: Captain HENRY S. GREENLEAF, assistant surgeon, four months, to the Philippines, to go abroad; Captain WILLIAM M. WRIGHT, general staff, one month and fifteen days; First Lieutenant JULIEN DE COLE, Philippine Scouts, one month; First Lieutenant IRA F. FRANK, 24th Infantry, one month; Second Lieutenant MANUEL M. GARRETT, 10th Infantry, two months.

NAVY. Captain S. W. B. DIXIE, detached from the Navy Department to the Idaho. Commanders J. L. JAYNE and R. O. BITLER and Lieutenant R. LYONS, to the Idaho. Lieutenant Commander A. L. WILLARD, detached from the Navy yard, Washington, to the Idaho. Lieutenant N. PRINCE, detached commander of the fourth torpedo flotilla. Passed Assistant Surgeon P. E. McDONNOLD, detached from the Connecticut, to wait orders. Passed Assistant Surgeon A. E. PECK, detached naval station, Denver, to wait orders. Major M. J. SHAW, Marine Corps, commissioned. Assistant Surgeon M. E. LANDO, detached naval station, Tutuila, home and wait orders.

The following assistant surgeons are detached from the medical school, Washington, and assigned to stations: H. L. KELLY, to the Idaho; S. H. SHURT to naval hospital, Canaan, W. H. SHURT to recruiting station, Oklahoma City, M. E. ROSE, to recruiting station, Omaha, H. P. LAWRENCE, to the Philippines. Tullia, R. J. STRAETEN, to naval station, Guam; E. F. HUFF, detached, to recruiting station, Indian Head, Md.; G. W. WILKES, detached, to recruiting station, Omaha, to recruiting station, Denver.

MARINE CORPS. Captain A. J. MATTHEWS, to marine barracks, navy yard, Washington. Captain H. BRASS, report to brigadier general, commandant, Washington. Captain T. H. ELLIS, detached the Rear Admiral, to marine school of application, Annapolis. First Lieutenant C. McCALLISTER, placed on retired list. Lieutenant J. M. MANNING, detached First Brigade, marine, Manila, to United States. First Lieutenant W. W. WELCH, detached navy Marine, to command marine detachment, the Rear Admiral. First Lieutenant E. Y. RHEA, two months leave. Second Lieutenant N. A. EASTMAN, detached headquarters, to marine school of application, Annapolis.

MOVEMENTS OF WARSHIPS.—The following movements of vessels have been reported to the Navy Department:

ARRIVED. March 24.—The Mayflower, at Vicksburg; the Saturn, at Vicksburg; the Denver, at Swanton; the Navajo, at Magdalena Bay.

SAILED. March 22.—The Whipple, the Hopkins, the Hull, the Lawrence, the Stewart, the Truston and the Arcton, from Port of Spain, to St. Louis, from San Francisco for Bremer. March 25.—The Tennessee, the Washington and the California, from Redondo for Venice, Cal.

CHINA MAY ENTERTAIN FLEET AT CHI-FU.

Peking, March 26.—China already has begun preparations for the entertainment of the American battleship fleet on its way around the world. The Chinese government has inquired from the Admiral Board, regarding the recommendation of the Foreign Board, for the reception of the visitors. The harbors of China are mostly in the possession of foreign powers, and the only other place where the warships could be received is Woo-Sung.

EX-CAPTAIN KELLER INDICTED.

Chicago, March 26.—An indictment was returned today by a federal grand jury against Daniel Keller, former captain in the United States Army. Keller is accused of having stolen quartermaster checks from Captain William Wiesel, quartermaster at Fort Sheridan.

SENATOR FRANCHOT KILLED BY FALL.

Pitched Headlong Down Stairway at His Home in Niagara Falls.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., March 26.—Senator S. P. Franchot, who died in Montreal on Tuesday morning, following an operation, received the injuries which resulted in his death by falling headlong over the balcony of a hotel in his home in Buffalo, when he attempted to be sitting in his study. Senator Franchot carried a heavy accident insurance, and it is known that the companies interested have been informed of the manner in which he was injured.

GOVERNOR FORT REPLIES.

Governor Fort of New Jersey replied yesterday through his secretary to the letter sent him by the pollution committee of the Merchants' Association of this city in relation to the threatened pollution of the harbor by the big trunk sewer to be built to clarify the more than turbid Passaic River and to empty somewhere at the base of Bedlow's Island. The reply was as follows:

The Governor has requested me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th inst., regarding the possible sewage disposal in the Hudson River. We have referred your letter to the Hudson Valley Sewage Commission, with the request that they reply to your former letter and this one at the same time.

The committee expects that John G. Gibson, of Passaic Valley Sewage Association, will now give prompt attention to the subject. The subject sent him over a year ago. Should the commission be in a humor to consider the objections put forth by the New York City committee, the latter will bring injunction proceedings that will be up to the work which the New Jersey commission was appointed to do.

CORPORATION DIRECTORY FOR 1908 OUT.

"The Trust Company and Corporation Directory for 1908," the fifty-sixth volume, just published by the publishers. It contains the names of 52,000 partnerships and corporations, an increase of 2,000 over the volume for 1907. The new directory contains the names of the officers, directors and members of the various firms, the amount of capital and other information.

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RITTENHOUSE'S ORRERY FOUND.

Once a Trophy of War in the Hands of Lord Cornwallis.

Princeton, N. J., March 26.—A mechanical contrivance used to illustrate the motion of the planets in their orbits, which was made by David Rittenhouse, the astronomer, in 1790, has been discovered in an out of the way corner of the Science Building at Princeton University, where it had lain for years.

Rittenhouse, who was a clockmaker at Norristown, was the first man to succeed in making an orrery, as the contrivance is called. At the time of its completion it was the wonder of America and the envy of Europe. Dr. William Smith, then provost of the University of Pennsylvania, purchased the orrery in 1800, and it was in his possession, but was destroyed by Dr. Witherspoon, of Princeton, who paid \$200 for it.

In 1776, when the British and Hessian forces occupied Princeton, Lord Cornwallis gave special instructions for the preservation of the wonderful machine, intending to take it to England as a trophy of war. The orrery is composed of different sized globes representing the planets and so arranged that they reproduce accurately the motion of the heavenly bodies.

DEATH ENDS WILD ESCAPE.

Two Men Stole Cab and Held Up Pedestrians—Policeman Kills One.

Chicago, March 26.—James Kane was found dead in a cab at 18th street and Calumet avenue to-day with a bullet through his head, after he and two companions had beaten a cabman, stolen the cab and held up and robbed two pedestrians in a wild dash through the streets of the North and West sides of the city.

Kane and his companions engaged Robert Campbell soon after midnight at State and Madison streets to drive them in his cab to an address on the North Side. At Bush and Ohio streets Campbell was attacked and robbed and left unconscious at the basement entrance to a hotel. Later the three men, one of whom acted as driver, robbed and beat two men.

A policeman, who probably fired the shot that killed Kane, ordered a halt as the men drove furiously through Halsted near Archer street. The policeman opened fire in response to shots with which the men answered his command to halt. Kane's companions escaped. Kane, who was eighteen years old, had a police record.

"MAN'S LIFE SHOULD BE 120 YEARS."

Chicago, March 26.—Three scores and ten years of earthly existence is an old-fashioned allotment of man's life, according to Bishop Samuel Fallows. "People ought to be ashamed that they do not live to be 100 or 120 years in this age," he said at St. Paul's Church yesterday. "At eighty a man should be in the prime of life, whereas now forty or forty-five is declared to be the climax."

NO APPEAL IN GILLETTE CASE.

Little Falls, N. Y., March 26.—There will be no appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States in an effort to stay the execution of the death sentence on Chester Gillette, the murderer of Miss Grace Brown, who is condemned to die in the electric chair next week. This announcement was made to-day by A. M. Mills, counsel for the condemned man.

STANDARD TITLE OFFICIAL HELD.

Philadelphia, March 26.—Homer L. Castle, of Pittsburgh, counsel; H. F. Aspinwall, of Freeport, N. Y., treasurer; Colonel S. K. Ford, president; Arthur F. Williams and H. M. Ralston, directors, all of Chicago; Charles Hunter, of this city, secretary, and Dr. C. J. Massinger, of Collinswood, N. J., acting treasurer and trust officer of the Standard Title and Trust Company, of this city, which failed to open its doors after organization following an investigation by a bank examiner in March of last year, were held in \$500 bail each for trial here to-day on charges of conspiracy to defraud in connection with their operations.

GENERAL R. C. HORNE ACQUITTED.