



SATURDAY EVENING, APRIL 28, 1900.

POSTMASTER GENERAL SMITH, whose influence induced Senator Hanna to vote against Mr. Quay, says the Porto Ricans are "not yet prepared for the privileges of American citizenship." But he never objected to the exercise of such privileges by the more ignorant negroes of the Southern States. He also says the Porto Ricans should be treated with "the greatest generosity." But he endorses the President's Porto Rican policy, which, having destroyed the foreign markets for the products of Porto Rico, has imposed a heavy duty on all those products imported here. He also goes the full length of imperialism, and says the President is only bound by the limitations of free institutions; not by those of the "charter of the Union"—in other words, not by the Constitution. Why, acting as they do, the republicans should persist in their pretended support of free institutions, is only explicable upon the ground of the low estimate they put upon the intelligence of the voters of their own country. If they were really wise, they would know that they would strengthen their party by throwing off all disguise, and openly declaring for an imperial form of government, as a great many Americans have become sick and tired of the effects of unrestricted suffrage.

CAPT. OBERLIN CARTER, U. S. A., hailing from Ohio, who robbed his government of a million and a half dollars, is now serving a short term in a federal prison at Leavenworth, where he has the finest room within the walls, with a beautiful view of the Missouri river, and where he is employed as a book-keeper. The presumed object of legal punishment is to deter people from committing crime. But thousands of honest men work laboriously all their lives for only enough to support them and their families. Capt. Carter is a young man. The money he stole has been put where it will do him the most good when his term shall have expired or he be pardoned, and with it in his pocket, he will be as gay a lark as ever, and, in this country, where money is the chief object of life, irrespective of the means by which it is obtained, he will be as much thought of as before. Is his case likely to deter other men from the commission of fraud and the perpetration of robbery?

SENATOR CHANDLER says the money in the Treasury derived from the sale of captured and abandoned property in the South should be kept there and not returned to its legitimate owners, as the war between the States cost the government an immense sum, of which the South should pay its share. This shows that Mr. Chandler, though an able-bodied man during the war referred to, knows nothing about it. The South should pay her share! The South before the war was the most prosperous part of the Union. What is it now? The North was enriched by the war; the South was impoverished.

THE WHITE republicans, like the white democrats, of North Carolina, have grown weary of their negro allies, and have just ignored them in the appointment of their delegates to the national republican convention, where they would have been open to conviction. Democrats don't make many promises to negroes, but such as they do make they keep. The republicans on the contrary, however, are prolific of promises to them, but they are made to the ear only to be broken to the heart, and so gullible are their poor dupes that they hardly get over one disappointment, before they are subjected to another.

It is reported that the President's great and good friend, the Czar of Russia, has warned him against attempting any of his jingo tricks upon Turkey, and that his warning has been entirely effective. Such a warning was totally unnecessary. Mr. McKinley is only aggressive towards poor, weak and friendless nations, such as Spain, Turkey, on the contrary, has powerful and first class powers to support her, and therefore is safe from any attempt on the part of Mr. McKinley to enforce his bullying threats.

ADMIRAL DEWEY was silly enough to suppose that his wife would help him with the A. P. A.'s by leaving the Catholic Church. President McKinley is even more silly in supposing that his appointment of a Catholic priest, at the request of Archbishop Ireland, to a consular position in Brazil, will help him with the Catholics. American Catholics are generally wise enough to know that the less their Church has to do with politics, the better for its temporal, let alone, its future interests.

THE CITY of Cleveland, Ohio, has withdrawn the invitation she extended Admiral Dewey, to accept the hospitality of that city. The Admiral was all right in Cleveland until he re-

voked his assertion that he would not accept the Presidency if handed him on a silver plate; but after that, he became all wrong.

FROM WASHINGTON. [Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.] Washington, April 28.

There will come up in the House next a bill to provide for the construction of a canal connecting the waters of the Atlantic and Pacific oceans across the isthmus. It proposes to construct the canal through Nicaraguan territory, makes provision for the defense of the works and appropriates \$10,000,000 to begin construction. A democratic minority report has been presented providing for the fortification of the canal by the United States. There is also a strong minority on the republican side, including such men as Cannon, Moody, Littlefield, Hitt and Burton, who are opposed to committing the Congress of the United States to any specified route for the canal until after the report of the isthmian canal commission, which is headed by Admiral Walker, has been submitted on the ground that it is by no means certain that the Nicaragua route is the best that could be selected, that it is an insult to the commission to take action before it can make its report, and that it is not safe to pass a bill saying that the United States will build a canal across Nicaragua territory until arrangements have been made to secure the necessary right of way. The prospects therefore are that there will be a fight on this subject during Tuesday and Wednesday, the days set apart for the consideration of the bill. Monday will be devoted to business relating to the District of Columbia. On Thursday the "free homestead bill," providing that on Indian lands thrown open to settlement under the various treaties, settlers shall be given a patent under the ordinary provisions of the existing homestead laws will be considered. Friday bills relating to private claims will occupy the time and on Saturday there will be miscellaneous business transacted. The Philippine bill is still the unfinished business in the Senate, but it has not yet been determined whether Mr. Lodge, who has the measure in charge, will press it next week to the exclusion of other matters. Wednesday next in accordance with the notice given yesterday, Mr. Chandler will call up the Clark case of Montana. For ten days or more there has been rumors about that Mr. Clark would tender his resignation, but the prevailing opinion at this writing is that he will not do so. His friends have advised him, according to good authority, to hold off until there is a discussion of the minority report which does not charge him with having directly purchased his election, although the committee are unanimous in declaring the seat vacant. The republican leaders are trying to bring about an adjournment of Congress early in June, and to do this they realize that the ship subsidy, the army reorganization, the Nicaraguan canal and other important bills must be sacrificed. The democrats say they will not obstruct if only the appropriation bills are forced through. They, however, are disposed to fight unless the majority will abandon some of the measures.

Nearly, if not all the democratic members of the Virginia Congressional delegation will leave here Monday night or Tuesday for Norfolk, to attend the State convention of their party which will meet in the city on Wednesday, the 2nd proximo. All of them are in favor of a convention to amend the constitution of their State, but most of them think it unwise to make the call for such a convention a party question. Mr. Taylor, the Kentucky insurgent, called at the White House today and had a talk with President McKinley. He says he will return to Kentucky next week and insisted that he would not be a "pull" from his enemies in the saddle. "They can pack juries, courts and everything else down there," he said, after his conversation with the President. He evidently expects to be convicted of complicity in the murder of Governor Goebel. Mr. John Selden Cowden of Fairfax county, Virginia, sent a letter to the Speaker of the House today, protesting against the seating of Mr. Lester, a representative from Loudoun, Virginia, district, on the ground that the election in that district was a "paper election," and that he, Cowden, next to Lassiter, got the most votes. Mr. Cowden has the reputation of having wheels, and the fact that he is a republican is not likely to do him any good. In the Senate today the bill introduced by Mr. Martin of Virginia to appoint Passed Assistant Surgeon John F. Bransford, of Richmond, a surgeon in the U. S. navy and then retired him, was passed without objection. Mr. Lester, a democrat some years ago, but now a republican congressman from North Carolina, has been defeated for re-nomination, but will receive the republican nomination for the office of Governor of his State, for which he will soon expire. But before he goes, he will try to have Mr. Bies, democrat, of the 9th Virginia district, deprived of the seat to which he was elected. But in this too, he may possibly be defeated, as some of the republican members of the elections committee are set on the other way, besides several more republican congressmen who are not members of that committee.

DAMES ELECT OFFICERS.—The National Society of Colonial Dames of America yesterday elected the following officers in Washington: Mrs. Howard Townsend, of New York, president; Mrs. Gillespie, of Pennsylvania, first vice-president; Mrs. Herbert Calborne, of Virginia, second vice-president; Mrs. Samuel Colt, of Connecticut, third vice-president; Mrs. William R. ed, of Baltimore, secretary; Miss Jackson, of Baltimore, assistant secretary; Miss Elizabeth, of Washington, treasurer; Mrs. Emil Richter, of New Hampshire, registrar; Miss Wharton, of Philadelphia, historian. The council voted unanimously to send Mrs. William Reed, of Baltimore, to the Paris Exposition to represent them at the unveiling of the statue to Washington.

MONEY TRUSTS AND IMPERIALISM. Mr. Bryan has telegraphed an eastern paper as follows: "I have said that other questions were more important than the money question. I have said many times and now repeat that at present three questions—money, trusts and imperialism are dividing public attention. Men differ as to their relative importance but I have never attempted to fix their relative importance. The republicans are wrong on all three questions and I expect to continue to oppose the gold standard, the trusts and imperialism."

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NEWS OF THE DAY. The Queen of Swaziland has placed the former King's brother on the throne and given the chiefs permission to kill whom they please. The Secretary of State of Cuba reports that sixty-six thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine Spanish residents of Cuba preserved their allegiance to Spain. The Prince of Wales, in a public letter, acknowledges the sympathy and congratulations from all parts of the world on his recent escape from assassination. Representative Mudd introduced a bill in the House yesterday evening looking to the construction of a stone or concrete drydock at Drum Point, Md., on the Patuxent river, at a cost of \$1,200,000. The Senate committee on appropriations yesterday completed consideration of the fortification bill. Testimony tending to show the incompetency of the Ordnance Bureau of the War Department was given and created a sensation. The Queen arrived at Windsor Castle yesterday afternoon, an ovation having been given her all the way from Holyhead, more especially at Chester, where 4,000 children gathered at the railroad station and sang the national anthem. The Franklin county, Ky., grand jury completed its labors yesterday, but its final report will not be made till Monday, in connection with the Goebel assassination case. It is unofficially stated that the indictment said to have been found against Taylor will be entered on record there. By a vote of 52 to 3 the Senate yesterday evening declared Nathan B. Scott, of West Virginia, a member of that body. Mr. Chandler gave notice he would call up the Clark case Wednesday next. The Alaska civil code bill was further considered. The House broke up after passing yesterday by passing 91 private pension bills. Among them was one to pension, at the rate of \$40 a month, the widow of the late Colonel John M. Stotzberg, of the First Nebraska regiment, who was killed in the Philippines. Senator Jones, of Arkansas, notified the steering committee of the republicans yesterday that if it was the expectation of the republicans to adjourn Congress during the month of June there would be no time, in the opinion of the democrats, to enact any legislation which the democrats regarded as objectionable. Asked to specify the bills which the democrats would regard as objectionable, Mr. Jones named the ship subsidy bill and the military reorganization bill. The democratic Senators may use the Clark case as a means of making public the bribery charge against Mr. Hanna, that the committee ignored.

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TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES. It was learned today that the Schoen Pressed Steel Car Co. at Pittsburgh Pa. paid off a large number of their men yesterday and discharged them for being connected with the strike. General Miles and Adjutant General Corbin will have to be content with their present grade in the army. The democratic leaders in the Senate have decided that they will prevent any promotion of these two men. It is reported that Governor Stone proposes to call an extra session of the Pennsylvania legislature for the purpose of electing a United States Senator. It is said that Senator Quay and his friends are confident that the former will be re-elected if the present legislature is convened. Six masked men broke into the National Bank at Elizabeth, Pa., last night and after overpowering the watchman, attacked the vault. The outside doors were broken open but the inside doors resisted all efforts and they left without booty. The watchman was released this morning. Miss May Williams, the handsome young woman from Milwaukee, who tried to commit suicide in a cab in New York yesterday morning, was arraigned in Jefferson Market police court this morning, charged with attempting suicide. Miss Williams, who has fully recovered, told the magistrate she regretted her action and was discharged. Miss Williams' attempt on her life, was prompted, it is alleged, by a young business man of Milwaukee whose affection for her had cooled. Investigation into the methods of the Germania Building and Loan Association, which had its "home office" in Philadelphia, has shown that the concern is hopelessly insolvent and that it has lost \$1,000,000. The boiler-makers, machinists, and other expert iron workers employed by the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad shops in Parkersburg, W. Va., were notified yesterday that, beginning May 1st, their rate of pay will be increased to \$2.35 a day. Two Hungarian miners were struck by the westbound express train on the Lehigh Valley railroad near Bloomsburg, Pa., last night and instantly killed. At Pittsburgh today the jury in the Clarke divorce trial were unable to agree and were discharged.

VIRGINIA DEMOCRATS.—The Virginia democratic convention, to nominate four delegates-at-large and two from each of the ten Congressional districts to the democratic national convention, will meet in Norfolk next Wednesday. The membership of the convention will be about 775. In addition to choosing delegates and Presidential electors, the convention will decide whether the question of calling a convention to amend the State Constitution shall be made a party issue. It will take 388 votes to carry the proposition, and the friends of a new constitution claim that they have more than that number of delegates already instructed in favor of a convention.

FAIRFAX AND FAUQUIER.—The six districts in Fairfax county instructed their delegates to the Norfolk convention as follows: Providence, no instructions, but the meeting adopted a resolution expressing their sentiments against making the convention a party question; Dranesville and Lee districts instructed against holding a convention; Mt. Vernon and Falls Church favor a convention; Centreville opposed to making it a party question. The Fauquier delegation to the Norfolk convention is uninstructed, but it was said that over half will vote for the constitutional convention.

W. H. SHIPMAN, Boardley, Minn., under 60, says he suffered from dyspepsia for twenty-five years. Doctors and dieting gave but little relief. Finally he used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and now eats what he likes and as much as he wants, and feels like a new man. It digests what you eat.

How Are Your Kidneys? Dr. Hobb's Serravallo Pills cure all kidney ills. Sold by leading druggists, Chicago, Ill.

VIRGINIA NEWS. The republicans of the Richmond congressional district have determined to put up a candidate for Congress next fall. The cost to the town of Lexington for compulsory vaccination in the recent smallpox scare was \$260-\$60 for vaccine points and \$200 for fees to physicians. Lexington got off cheap. County Superintendent of Schools of Westmoreland Taliaferro Hunter died Thursday night in his fifty-ninth year, after a long and painful illness. He was a quartermaster in the Confederate Army. Miss Elizabeth Atwell, daughter of Mr. James B. Carter, of Jersey Grove, and Mr. Alexander Hamilton Spilman, of Culpeper county, were married yesterday afternoon. Bethel Baptist Church, Ray, T. F. Grimley officiating.

ARTHUR N. DERR, a Lynchburg lawyer, was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary at Roanoke yesterday for embezzling a large sum of money from the estate of his deceased brother, Rush U. Derr. The case was tried at Roanoke on a charge of venue. The man who is accused of forging a check and which was cashed by the Front Royal National Bank, was captured near Limestone yesterday. His name is Elliott, and he is a resident of Warren county. Most of the money that he obtained from the bank has been recovered. Elliott has been considered in this county as an idiotic fellow. The Massanutten Bank, of Strasburg, which, as stated in the Gazette, was robbed yesterday, is a member of the Bankers' Association, and is insured for \$5,000 in the Fidelity and Casualty Deposit Company of New York. The bank was closed yesterday and will remain till the loss is adjusted.

THE WAR IN AFRICA. A fight has begun at Taba N'chu, 40 miles east of Bloemfontein, in the Orange Free State, but it does not seem likely to have important results. The Boers having escaped the net that Lord Roberts spread for them, Roberts is directing his energy to getting command of all the important roads in the district lately occupied by the burghers. It is with this purpose that he has attacked Taba N'chu, where roads running north, south, east and west converge. Only a small force of Boers, it is believed, remains at Taba N'chu, and they will doubtless retire if they are much damaged as they are. Then the British will continue marching eastward until they hold the entire road from Bloemfontein to Ladybrand. The British troops attacking Taba N'chu are those of Generals Hamilton, French and Smith-Dorrien. Eight miles to the south is General Buller. These troops have been called off from their original purpose of catching the De Wet's dorp and Wepener Boers and are doing Lord Roberts's work of clearing the routes of communication. It is now said that Gen. Louis Botha, the Boer commander-in-chief, directed the retreat of the burghers from De Wet's dorp and Wepener. He arrived at De Wet's dorp last Monday and at once took the situation in hand. Lord Roberts while the main British advance to Pretoria is delayed. Lord Wolsley, the British commander-in-chief, is credited with having said, when Bloemfontein was first occupied by Roberts, that the British would be in Pretoria by May 15. Murmurs of dissatisfaction with Lord Roberts are beginning to be heard in London.

A dispatch from Roberts announcing the appointment of Gen. Sir Charles Warren as military governor of Griqualand West is taken in London to indicate friction between Roberts and Sir Charles Milner, British high commissioner in South Africa. It is believed that Warren was about to be sent home but that Milner interposed and prevented it. The Boers are preparing to spend the winter in Natal. The South African winter is now setting in. Several British subjects have been arrested at Pretoria on suspicion of causing the recent explosion at the Johannesburg arsenal.

DR. MONTEIRO DISCHARGED. The case of the Commonwealth against Dr. A. Monteiro, a prominent physician of Richmond, charged with malpractice on Annie S. Sterne, of Petersburg, aged about 15 years, who is alleged to have been betrayed by Thomas M. Gilliam, of that city, was called for examination in the Mayor's Court yesterday morning. Dr. Monteiro, who had been out on bail in the penalty of \$1,000, was promptly in possession of his counsel, ex-Congressman George D. Wise, Commonwealth Attorney Mr. R. H. Mann, jr., and Mr. Richard B. Davis appeared for the prosecution. After the examination had been partly gone into it was found that the alleged offense against Dr. Monteiro was not committed in Petersburg, but in Prince George county, a short distance from the corporate limits. This fact was testified to by Miss Sterne. The Mayor of Petersburg having no jurisdiction in the matter a warrant was issued by the county of Prince George and there taken before some justice of the county to be dealt with according to law. The accused was turned over to Chief of Police Bagland, by whom he was taken to Prince George county and taken before Justice Lane. Dr. Monteiro was accompanied by his counsel, Captain Wise, and the complainant by Commonwealth's Attorney Mann and Mr. Davis. After hearing the evidence in the case Justice Lane discharged the accused, as there was no evidence to show that any attempt at abortion had been made by Dr. Monteiro, who testified that he did not believe that the young girl was in the delicate condition she thought she was, and he had so informed Mr. Gilliam.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and so constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

THE CENSUS.—The actual work of collecting statistics will commence on June 1, and it must all be accomplished by June 15. A good enumerators will take 150 names a day, and should accomplish as much in the thirteen days allowed, the force could collect 615,000 names. The population of Baltimore is hardly so large as that, but it is believed that it is near enough to that figure to make all of the enumerators work as earnestly as they are able. The pay will be from \$3 to \$6 per day, the payment being according to the number of names taken. The enumerators will get two and a half cents for each name. At this census it is desired to ascertain how many horses there are in the city, and so five cents will be paid for each name of a man with a stable or stable enclosure. A special rate of five cents per name will be paid for the deaf, dumb and blind, and for people with farms inside the city limits seven cents per name will be paid. The director of the census has just issued his instructions to enumerators, in the form of a pamphlet of sixty-four pages, covering every detail of the work to be done. A concise statement of the principal features of the census act and the questions to be asked have recently been published in the Gazette.

An additional case of smallpox was reported to the health officer in Washington yesterday evening.

FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS. Washington, April 28. SENATE.

At the close of routine business in the Senate today, Mr. Patterson's resolution coming over from yesterday was taken up and adopted. The resolution calls on the President for information whether Gen. Torres, an officer of the Philippine Army, came to Gen. O. S. with a flag of truce the day the fighting commenced between our forces and those of the Filipinos, and stated that General Aguinaldo declared the fighting had begun accidentally, and that he, Aguinaldo, wished to have it stopped, proposing that a neutral zone be established between the two armies; and whether General O. S. replied that fighting having once begun must go on to the grim end. Was General O. S. directed by the Secretary of War to make such an answer? A bill for the establishment of the Northern Branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers at Hot Springs, South Dakota, was passed. Mr. Roberts introduced a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to increase the salaries of laborers and janitors in the department of the custodian of the postoffice in cities of the first class who are receiving not more than \$540 per annum to the sum of \$720 per annum; also a bill to authorize the Secretary of War to cause to be investigated and to provide for the payment of all just claims against the United States for private property taken and used in the military service within the limits of the United States during the war with Spain.

A resolution was passed providing that exercises appropriate to the reception and acceptance from the Grand Army of the Republic of the statue of General U. S. Grant to be erected in the Capitol, be made the special order for Saturday, May 19, at 4 p. m. Mr. Carter introduced a resolution directing the Secretary of the Interior to inform the Senate of the operations of the geological survey relating to the investigations being made of the water resources of the United States, particularly of the arid regions. Mr. Patterson called up his resolution expressing sympathy for the Boers. Mr. Lodge moved that the resolution be referred to the committee on foreign relations. The yeas and nays were called for. A vote on the resolution showed that no quorum was present and the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE. Miscellaneous business, consisting of the passage of bills by unanimous consent, was the order for the House today up to 2 o'clock when the Senate bill providing for the appointment of a commission of three at a salary of \$5,000 per year each, to receive, examine and adjudicate all claims of citizens of the United States against Spain, which the United States agreed to adjudicate and settle by the seventh article of the treaty of peace will be taken up. The commission is to meet in Washington within thirty days after the appointment of its members. All claims must be presented by petition within six months of the date of the commission and appear on decisions may be taken to the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia. Mr. Hay called attention to the fact that Major Francis R. Lassiter, elected to succeed the late Representative Epps from the 4th Virginia district, was present to be sworn in. The Speaker caused the credentials to be read together with a letter from James Selden Cowden, who was a candidate, protesting against the seating of Lassiter on the ground that the vote cast at the election held on the 19th instant was a paper vote and was not actually cast, and saying that he would contest the matter in the House. The speaker said that unless the House cared to take other action he was ready to administer the oath to Lassiter who was accordingly sworn in, both Hay of Virginia and Underwood of Alabama standing as his sponsors. Messrs. Wadsworth, Henry and Williams were appointed a conference committee on the agricultural appropriation bill. The conference report on the bill dividing the northern judicial district of New York was adopted. Bills were passed for bridges across the Red river of the north between Minnesota and North Dakota; the Lumber river at Lumberton, N. C., and the Missouri river at Pierre, South Dakota.

A bill was passed providing for a revision and codification of the permanent and general laws of the United States. Mr. Corliss called up the resolution granting medals for gallantry to Capt. Newcomb and the officers and men of the revenue cutter Hudson, and placing Capt. Hodgden, of the revenue cutter McCulloch, on permanent waiting orders with pay. The Hudson distinguished herself in Cuba and the McCulloch at Manila. Mr. Corliss read a letter from Admiral Dewey urging the passage of the resolution. It was adopted. The Spanish claims bill was then taken up. Mr. Byrd opposed the bill on the ground that the proposed commission was unnecessary because the claims could be considered and settled in the Court of Claims, which was the proper tribunal to hear them, without the additional expense that would be incurred by the passage of the bill.

THE INDIVIDUAL who writes for publication in order to receive the attention of the reader must either instruct or amuse. To amuse is our fort. Therefore we are out of our element when we attempt to instruct, and we leave that corner to our accomplished neighbor, Mr. Bayne. We take water when challenged to discuss values and statistics, but we come in on the home run when results are exhibited. We advise the aggressive man, and depise the negative one. The man who has an idea, and has the courage to defend the same, is preferable to the man who listens and says "yes" every time, until you ask him to loan you ten dollars; then he says, "no." We labor under another disadvantage. The subject we are discussing is a dead issue. We mean the issue of bonds for street improvements. The vote recently taken in the county demonstrates that; and if the freeloader in our city gets a chance at it the result will be the same here. We admire the zeal and vim exhibited by the gifted manipulators of figures, and we envy his acquirements. If we had our life to live over again we would adopt his profession rather than invite the buffy saw to make mince meat of our anatomy. But to business. The only question

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS. Foreign News. London, April 28.—A despatch from Johannesburg says that several arrests have been made in connection with the explosion in the Begbie Engineering Works. The state mining engineer says that the explosion was caused by dynamite placed in trenches near the works with which the charges were connected by wires. Rome, April 28.—The German Crown Prince will come to Rome immediately after the ceremonies of his coming of age in Berlin next month. The Pope on Monday will grant a special audience to 400 Austrian nobles. Manila, April 28.—General Wheaton reports that Paterno, a former president of the insurgent cabinet, was captured in Benguet province, northern Luzon, on April 25. Paterno has been sick for a long time and was brought into the American lines on a litter.

The Situation in South Africa. London, April 28.—The military men have nearly abandoned hope of Roberts capturing the Boer army whose operations around Wepener gave the British much worry. There is an impression in some quarters that French and Hamilton will sweep up through the country east of the railroad and prepare the way for Roberts's advance which cannot now be long delayed. Bloemfontein is still suffering from a shortage in water, the Boers having removed the indispensable parts of the water works machinery which the British engineers have not yet been able to replace. The Boers are now permitting one burgher in every ten to go home on leave and harvest the crops. The Ottawa Fire. Ottawa, Ont., April 28.—The fire has burned out and all efforts are now directed to relieving the distressed. The Dominion has contributed \$90,000 and the Ontario government \$25,000 worth of private contributions, makes \$150,000 so far, and contributions are coming in from all quarters. At a public meeting last night in City Hall it was decided to ask leave of the provincial government to borrow \$100,000 by issuing debentures so as to relieve the distressed. The money loss by fire is variously estimated from \$8,000,000 to \$15,000,000. The deaths now number seven.

Ascribed to "Jack the Ripper." Berlin, April 28.—Two mysterious murders of atrocious character have occurred in north Germany. In both cases, the victims were young ladies apparently belonging to best families. One was murdered near Lauenburg and the other at Cassel. The bodies were mutilated in manner which indicated that they had met death by the same hand. The body of the woman murdered at Lauenburg was laid across a railroad track and run over by a train. The crimes are ascribed to "Jack the Ripper," and a score of detectives are at work on the cases. The Floods in Texas. Austin, Tex., April 28.—Floods and cyclones accompanied by cloudbursts and waterpours yesterday swept the State, devastating property and destroying lives. Waco was overflowed and several people were drowned. The property loss in the city will reach fully \$50,000 and the disaster has not yet all passed. It is believed that there were more disastrous than at first reported. The greatest damage has been done to crops and railroads. Altogether, over the State, it is thought the dead list may aggregate twenty.

Mr. Bryan. Lincoln, Neb., April 28.—Mr. Bryan may have to change his plans and go to Kansas City after all. A movement is on foot which meets with hearty approval to have him address the democratic convention after he has been nominated. Plans are being formulated to have him go to Kansas City in a special train immediately after the nomination and the arrangements are in the hands of a special committee and will be announced as soon as the details have been completed. May Return and Face His Accusers. Frankfort, Ky., April 28.—Gov. Taylor telegraphed from Washington to Commonwealth's Attorney Franklin yesterday asking if he had been indicted and stating that he might come back and appear in court, but rather intimated that his stay in Washington was indefinite. He was told in answer that he must address his inquiries to Judge Castrill. The Governor did not say outright that he would return to Frankfort and face his accusers.

The Markets. Chicago, April 28.—The market closed as follows: Wheat—May 65 3/8; 67 3/8; 67 3/8. Corn—May 65 3/8; 65 3/8. Georgetown, April 28.—Wheat—65 3/8. Bismarck's Iron Nerve. Was the result of his splendid health, indomitable and tremendous energy are not found where Stomach, Liver and Bowels are out of order. If you want these qualities and the success they bring, use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They develop every power of brain and body. Only 25 cents at E. S. Leadbeater & Sons' Drug Store.

W. Clark, Chesapeake, Ga., says Dr. King's New Life Pills cured him of piles that had afflicted him for twenty years. It is also a specific cure for skin diseases. Beware of dangerous counterfeits. [COMMUNICATED.] T. V. E. AND MR. BAYNE. The individual who writes for publication in order to receive the attention of the reader must either instruct or amuse. To amuse is our fort. Therefore we are out of our element when we attempt to instruct, and we leave that corner to our accomplished neighbor, Mr. Bayne. We take water when challenged to discuss values and statistics, but we come in on the home run when results are exhibited. We advise the aggressive man, and depise the negative one. The man who has an idea, and has the courage to defend the same, is preferable to the man who listens and says "yes" every time, until you ask him to loan you ten dollars; then he says, "no." We labor under another disadvantage. The subject we are discussing is a dead issue. We mean the issue of bonds for street improvements. The vote recently taken in the county demonstrates that; and if the freeloader in our city gets a chance at it the result will be the same here. We admire the zeal and vim exhibited by the gifted manipulators of figures, and we envy his acquirements. If we had our life to live over again we would adopt his profession rather than invite the buffy saw to make mince meat of our anatomy. But to business. The only question

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Edna Gray's Life Story.—Mrs. Alice Walton is in the city in the interest of her book, "Edna Gray's Life Story." Mrs. Walton's story is pronounced by press and clergy to be a remarkable production, and it is especially recommended by the latter for its pure tone and the lesson it teaches. Few stories have received the endorsement of more prominent people than this book. There are letters from prominent ministers and Masons, while in Virginia Governor Tyler is among those who recommend it highly. Not only is the book endorsed, but highest tributes are paid to Mrs. Walton. The scene of the story is laid in the mountains of western North Carolina.

The Southern Railway commenced work of extending its tracks from Round Hill to Sateenville today. The St. Nicholas Magazine for May has been received from its publishers, the Century Company, New York. Among its contents is "What We Can Expect of the American Boy," by Theodore Roosevelt. Saved His Leg. P. A. Danforth, of LaGrange, Ga., suffered interally for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in ten days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Burns, Boils, Pains or Piles it's the best in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons, Druggists.

Marriage licenses were issued in Washington yesterday to John E. Smith and Mary Perks, both of Guinea Station; Joseph Clark and Blanche Kelley, both of Westmoreland county, and to Robert M. Beasley and Edna J. Hall, both of Charlottesville.

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