STATE Y. M. C. A.

FIRST SESSION OF THE CONVENTION HELD LAST NIGHT.

ADDRESSES OF WELCOME

BUSINESS MEN'S MASS MEETING TO-NIGHT.

Between One Hundred and Two Hundred Delegates Are Expected to Attend the Kansas City Convention, Which Closes To-morrow.

The first session of the twenty-second annual convention of the Missouri Young Men's Christian Associations was held at the First Baptist church last night. Addresses of welcome were made by Rev. Dr. S. M. Neel and E. D. Bigelow.

In his address of welcome Dr. Neel said:

"We realize in the Y. M. C. A. better than in any other religious organization, perhaps, the exhibition of true Christian unity. This is what we need more of. We should all of us be one in Christ. The devil wants to see us divided. Nothing pleases him so much as to see dissension amongst us, and the merest military tyro knows it is easier to defeat an opposing force by attacking its ranks separately."

REV. MR. CORNELIUS H. PATTON, First Congregational Church, St. Louis.

E. D. Bigelow, secretary of the board of trade, delivered an address of welcome.

"It gives me great pleasure to welcome you," said Mr. Bigelow, "in behalf of the business men of this city.

"First, because you are young men. To be a young man, full of vigor and hopefulness at this time near the beginning of the twentieth century, means much. What great possibilities are within your reach! All history is yours, from which to gain knowledge of the means that have been used by men who have made a success of life, and from which to learn what to avoid.

"Second—We welcome you as Christian men, realizing that, no matter how well qualified a man may be by natural and acquired endowments for a business or professional life, the man is the better business or professional man who is a Christian, and this fact is recognized by railroad officials and other prominent business men who have the employing of large numbers of men.

"Third—You are young Christian men, associated, not only for mutual helpfulness, but that you may, by united effort, make your lives count for the most in the several communities in which you live and in the state you represent, the great state of Missouri. A state of which we are all proud, whether it is ours by birth or adoption."

"The business men are glad to welcome you to Kansas City, this great railroad center where the increasingly large number of young men are in need of what your association has to offer; to this young, enterprising city, which has been a marvel of growth and business activity, the young giant on the western border of Missouri.

WALTER J. BROWN, Educational Department, Who Will Speak To-day.

"Gentlemen, we wish for you a most interesting and profitable convention and trust that you may take home with you additional knowledge and interest in your association work, and that you may inspire our association with increased enthusiasm in the glorious work in which you are engaged."

Rev. Mr. Patton's Address.

Rev. Mr. C. H. Patton, pastor of the First Congregational church, of St. Louis, spoke to the convention on "Self-Realization."

"Having at its best all that is best in a man," was the true definition of salvation, Mr. Patton said.

It was the aim of the Y. M. C. A., he believed, to bring out of a man whatever was best in him.

"The idea that salvation is a saving into a place rather than into a state is wrong," the speaker said. "A man must be saved not only in soul but in body and in all his faculties. Salvation is so large that it can no longer be said that a man is saved unless every part of his is saved. A man with hollow chest and stooping shoulders, a wreck of dissipation, can never be a seved man, wholly. He has thrown away and lost a part of him. It has long been thought that a young person has been educated when all kinds of learning have been poured into his mind. But we know now, and are learning to know it better, that education means as its etymology signifies, rather a drawing out of what there is in a scholar.

"Yet it will not do to live for self alone. The man who never does better than to bring out of himself whatever is best in him without any reference to others will never be at his best. We must help others and love our neighbors as ourselves in order to be at our best, and this making the best out of a man, physically, mentally and spiritually, is the fundamental object of the Y. M. C. A."

W. H. Reed, president of the convention, appointed the following committee on permanent organization: George T. Coxhead, St. Louis; John H. Taylor, Joplin, and W. A. Lloyd, of St. Joseph.

The convention will hold three sessions to-day and three to-morrow, at 9 a. m., 2 p. m. and 7:45 p. m. To-day's programme is as follows:

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11—9 A. M.

Prayer and praise service.
Permanent organization.
"Worth Keeping." Three-minute written reports from each association.
State committee's report.
Bible Study, John W. Hansel, Chicago.

2 P. M.

Devotional meeting.
Bible Study, Mr. Hansel.
Section conferences:
1. "City, Town and Railroad," John H. Taylor, Joplin, presiding.
(a) "Our Association a Model Organization," W. A. Lloyd, St. Joseph.
(b) "Giving and Getting, or the Standard of Active Membership," J. E. Coulter, Joplin.
(c) "The Volunteer Conference," by Lake Geneva delegates.
(d) Question drawer.
2. College department—Conference conducted by H. W. Rose, of University of Michigan.
(a) "Results Compared With Possibilities."
(b) "The Cabinet Meeting."
(c) "An Association Policy."
(d) "After College, What?"

7:45 P. M.

Song service.
Business men's meeting.
1. "A Sagacious Policy in the Upbuilding of a City," Thomas S. McPheeters, chairman state committee, St. Louis.
2. "Corporate Testimony to the Value of Association Work," Fred B. Shipp, international railroad secretary.

Between 100 and 200 delegates from the various associations of the state will attend the sessions. The music will be under the direction of John W. Hansel, of Chicago, and F. L. Willis, of Omaha.

The following well known business men have joined in a special invitation to the business men's mass meeting to-night: J. S. Ford, J. K. Burnham, George W. Fuller, J. Crawford James, P. D. Ridenour, W. W. Kendall, H. M. Beardsley, J. J. Swofford, George C. Smith, E. S. Jewett, L. S. Mohr, E. D. Bigelow, George B. Peck, F. P. Neal, Robert Keith, A. D. Johnson, T. M. Mulford, John M. Fox, George W. Campbell, John W. Jenkins.

The Young Men's Christian Associations of Missouri will, during this week, hold their annual convention in our city. On Friday evening, at the First Baptist church, will be held a mass meeting for men. The chief address will be given by Selden P. Spencer, one of the judges of the circuit court of St. Louis.

Such an occasion furnishes the opportunity, not often presented, for the gathering of business men of our city, old and young, in a religious service. If at this meeting the church shall be filled, as it ought to be, there will result not only a large good to all attending, but as well a permanent influence for righteousness in our community. We ask of you that you will, setting other duties aside attend this service, and that you will also in the meantime extend the invitation to the business men of your acquaintance.

IT IS CAUSING A STIR.

No Little Commotion in Europe Over Lord Salisbury's Guild Hall Speech.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—Lord Salisbury's speech at the Lord Mayor's banquet at the Guild hall—especially his reference to America—is making a stir throughout Europe. The Paris evening papers yesterday (Thursday) having longer time for reflection, had a much less satisfied tone than the utterances of the morning press in the French capital; while the whole Continent reflects the feeling that the speech conveys a grave menace for the future.

La Liberte, of Paris, says:

"It is a question of an Anglo-American agreement respecting the Philippines, directed against Germany."

The Journal des Debats regards the speech as "an invitation to America to make an alliance against Europe," but doubts whether Americans will willingly "play the role of trainbearers to English politics."

The London morning papers revert to the subject, and again take occasion to wish well to America's colonial mission.

The Times says, editorially: "No doubt the idea of La Liberte is grotesque, yet it shows a truer appreciation of the spirit of Lord Salisbury's remarks than the singular interpretation put upon them by one correspondent, Henry Norman, who finds in them the preposterous implication that the English attitude during the war was due to the notion that our interests would be furthered by the United States being plunged into war.

"Lord Salisbury clearly did not refer to the late war war at all. He paid the United States the compliment of holding that its entry into the world politics was an event of great importance. His further remarks obviously meant that America and England would stand together in a friendship based upon community of aims, sentiments and interests."

The Daily Mail, which deprecates Emperor William's visit to Spain as "most ill-advised and inopportune," says: "The first article of our national policy is a close friendship with the United States, and it would be better for Germany to act in harmony with Great Britain than to try to irritate America."

GENERAL WHEELER'S PLAN.

He Wants American Colleges to Give Free Education to Young Cuban Men.

NEW YORK, Nov. 10.—General Joseph Wheeler is deeply interested in the education of Cuban young men. He believes that if young Cubans will come to this country and be tutored and then return home they will be of great use in developing Cuba and in introducing a stable form of government.

General Wheeler has commissioned Gilbert K. Harroun, treasurer of Union college, to ask the American colleges if each of them would give free education to two or more Cubans if the right sort of men could be found to secure a college course in this country. Mr. Harroun has written to over 300 college presidents in the United States, asking them to co-operate and advance General Wheeler's plan.

Over 100 replies are at hand, and with one accord the colleges agree to take two or more young men who can pass the necessary examinations and who can come vouched for as to character, and make them beneficiaries to the extent of free tuition. In many cases the colleges agree to add the young men beyond free tuition. In several instances, the colleges, recognizing the difficulties under which the young men of Cuba have labored, have agreed to receive them without insisting upon their passing the examinations.

GENERAL MERRITT PLEASED.

He Is a Democrat, but Is Glad That McKinley's Policy Was Indorsed.

LONDON, Nov. 10.—Major General Wesley Merritt, the commander of the American military forces in the Philippine islands, who is now in this city, in an interview on the result of the elections in the United States, is quoted as saying: "I am very glad the president's policy seems to have been indorsed. Although I am somewhat of a Democrat, I thing it highly desirable that there should be a congress that will ratify and carry into effect the result of the war and the peace treaty."

Referring to the Marquis of Salisbury's Guild hall speech, General Merritt said: "Most Americans, I believe, agree, and our English cousins insist, that we should keep the Philippine islands.

"I don't know whether the government is cooling toward us, but all the officials I have met here, some of them being in very high places, seemed enthusiastic over the friendship between th two countries. One thing is certain about the Philippine islands—we must either take them all or drop them altogether.

BY LAUDANUM ROUTE

F. M. M'HALE, OF LAWRENCE, TRIES TO KILL HIMSELF.

Says It Was on Account of Domestic Difficulties—From Papers Found on Him He Had Evidently Bet Against Bowersock.

F. M. McHale, a well known lawyer of Lawrence, Kas., was found in a room over the saloon at 1128 Grand avenue, at 6:30 o'clock last night suffering from the effects of a large dose of laudanum. He was unconscious when found and was taken to police headquarters in the ambulance. Assistant Police Surgeons Brown and Manahan applied the usual remedies and McHale will probaby recover.

McHale is attorney for Ed Rozzell, secretary of the Fraternal Aid Association, who is accused of being an absconder, and he came to Kansas City last Tuesday to see him. On Wednesday he went to the rooming establishment at 1128 Grand avenue and engaged a room. He had the appearance of a man who had been drinking freely. Yesterday he remarked to roomers in the house that he was not feeling well and it was thought at first that he took the drug to relieve the pains and got too much by mistake. It is thought that he drank about three ounces of laudanum Wednesday night and four ounces yesterday afternoon.

McHale evidently took the drug about two hours before he was found. He was undressed and lying stretched out on the bed when found. He had $6 in money and a lot of letters and business cards in the pockets of his coat. On one of the cards were the words, "Bets against Bowersock." Then followed a lot of figures. Bowersock was elected to congress Tuesday from the Second district of Kansas. It is presumed that McHale either lost some money on Bowersock's opponent, Mason Peters, or else was stakeholder for other persons who had bet on the result of the congressional race. In any event, it is believed that he was despondent and took the drug with suicidal intent.

McHale is married and the father of three children. He is a law partner of Oscar E. Learnard, Jr.

The latter is a son of O. E. Learnard, Sr., owner of the Lawrence Journal and a prominent politician of Eastern Kansas. McHale is well known in Lawrence and Douglas county by reason of his being associated in the pratice of law with Colonel Leonard's son. McHale's law partner came to Kansas City on a late train last night to take charge of him. When he regained consciousness McHale said he tried to commit suicide on account of domestic difficulties. He admitted that he had deliberately tried to cross the Stygian ferry by the laudanum route.

HAD HARNESS TO BURN.

John Garrett and William Lowry Are Charged With Stealing From Several Parties.

John Garrett and William Lowry were arrested by Detectives Carroll and Halderman yesterday and will be held to answer to a charge of burglary and larceny. Garrett and Lowry are said by the police to be notorious sneak thieves. Soon after his arrest, Garrett confessed that he and Lowry stole a set of harness from a barn on the premises of W. J. Coleman, at 2231 Forest avenue.

Wednesday they stole two sets of harness from the barn of W. A. Green, at 1311 Oak street. It is also believed by the police that they stole two sets of harness from J. W. Woods, of 2621 McGee street, Tuesday night. Detectives Carroll and Halderman recovered two sets of harness when they arrested Lowry.

THINKS HE HAS A CLUE.

Deputy Marshal Potts Believes He Knows Who Tried to Kill W. G. Smith at Independence.

Deputy Marshal J. W. Potts, of Independence, says he has a clue to the would-be assassin who shot and caused a severe flesh wound to W. G. Smith the night of election. It is known that if an arrest should be made it would cause a surprise that would shock a large circle of acquaintances. The fact that Mr. Smith was shot by someone who knew the premises and by one who had a mercenary motive in killing him, is admitted by the police. The case, which at first caused mystery, is being rapidly cleared up and if arrests are made at all the assassin will be in custody within forty-eight hours.

SOLDIER IN CHAINS.

A Volunteer, Crazed by Too Freely Indulging in North End Liquor, Is a Police Charge.

Charles P. Gleason successfully fought mosquitoes at Chickamauga and grew fat on hardtack and sowbelly, but last midnight he invaded the North end and was vanquished in short order by booze. When found at Missouri avenue and Walnut streets by officers he was indulging in a ghost dance, and terrorized the neighborhood by shooting off a revolver. His actions were those of a maniac when he arrived at police headquarters, and in order to keep him from doing himself harm he was chained securely to the bars of his cell.

DESERTED HIS FAMILY.

J. B. Ravis Abandons His Wife and Five Children, Who Are Destitute.

A particularly sad case of destitution and wife abandonment was reported to Humane Officer Greenman yesterday. J. B. Ravis, of 209 Agnes avenue, deserted his wife and five small children two weeks ago, leaving them in almost destitute circumstances. The oldest child is only 11 years old and the youngest is 2 years.

Ravis is a carpenter, but for some time previous to his disappearance he was employed in a vinegar manufactory near his home. Ravis is an old soldier and receives a pension of $6 per month. Humane Officer Greenman has provided for the temporary relief of the abandoned wife and children.

ANOTHER SOLDIER DRUGGED.

Clark Gregg Went Where He Ought Not to Have Gone, With the Usual Result.

Clark Gregg, of 1224 Harrison street, a private in Company G, Fifth regiment, reported to the police yesterday that he was drugged and robbed of $90 on Wednesday night. Gregg says he does not know where he was drugged or who got his money. He was out with a party of soldiers Wednesday night. They went into a saloon near Eighth and Wall streets and had a round of drinks. Gregg says that is the last he remembers until yesterday morning. He did not even know where he spent the night.

W. T. Collins Robbed of $120.

W. T. Collins, a private in Company F, Fifth Missouri vounteers, which was mustered out of the service Wednesday, dropped off to sleep in a questionable resort at 400 Campbell street yesterday afternoon and was robbed of $120. When Collins awoke he didn't have a cent.

Gussie Rectar, a negro woman of unsavory reputation, was arrested last night on suspicion of having robbed Collins. She had no money when searched by the police matron. Collins is also being detained by the police. This is the fifth or sixth robbery of soldiers reported to the police since the Third and Fifth regiments were mustered out.

In Trouble Over Mortgaged Team.

A. W. Glynn, of 1410 Forest avenue, reported to the police yesterday that Lee Clinton, who recently purchased a team of horses from him, had sold the animals for $20 and skipped out. Glynn holds a mortgage on the horses and consequently he is eager to effect Clinton's capture.

Solicitors Were Fined $10.

Lee Conway was fined $10 in police court yesterday morning for distributing advertising matter without a license, and Hugh McHatton was fined a like amount for soliciting business for a clothing house without a license. Both cases were appealed to the criminal court. McHatton and Conway were soliciting patronage at the Fifth regiment barracks for local clothing houses when arrested.

PREPARING FOR WINTER.

Clever Plan by Which Frank Sweeney and Thomas Moore Secured Many Shoes.

Inspector Halpin and Officer O'Neill arrested Frank Sweeney and Thomas Moore last night and placed a charge of vagrancy against them. Their real offense consisted in stealing footwear from a number of North Main street shoe stores. The pair had an uncommonly clever plan of getting their hands on shoes that didn't belong to them.

They would slowly saunter up to the show window of a shoe store and pretend to be gazing at the footwear displayed in the window. When the clerks and proprietor were engage in waiting on customers, Moore would slip a knife from his sleeve, cut the string by which shoes were suspended from a signboard or window frame, and his partner would grab them and conceal them underneath his coat. In this way they stole a dozen or more pairs of shoes. When searched, a knife to which a string was attached was found on Moore.

AFTER SAM LOWE.

Pawnbroker Schapiro Has State Warrant Sworn Out, Charging Him With Assault.

A state warrant was issued yesterday afternoon by Justice Ebert for the arrest of City Detective Sam Lowe, charging him with having assaulted Jacob Schapiro, a pawnbroker at 621 Walnut street. The assault took place at police headquarters yesterday afternoon and was the result of Schapiro having been fined $50 in police court for failing to report the purchase of stolen goods to the police.

Detectives Sparks and Lowe arrested Schapiro a week ago. When the case was disposed of yesterday the pawnbroker became uncommonly wrathy and attempted to vent his spite on Lowe by calling him many vile names and threatening to whip him. Schapario was also very abusive to Inspector Halpin.

TIRED OF LIFE.

Allie Cobb Quarreled With Her Lover and Then Took Morphine With Suicidal Intent.

Allie Cobb, a young woman who has led a disorderly and checkered life for some years, quarreled with her lover last midnight in her apartments at 429 West Sixth street, and concluded that it was time for her to put an end to her troubles. She swallowed twenty grain of morphine and when found was unconscious. Police surgeons worked over her for hours, but at 5 o'clock the case was pronounced hopeless and death was expected at any moment. The woman's antecedents could not be learned.

HOW HE GOT CHANGE.

Percy Reed Charged With Working a New Scheme by Getting Money From Victim's Mother.

A young man giving his name as Percy Reed, was arrested yesterday by Officers Hogan and Wilson and booked at police headquarters for investigation. Reed was arrested on complaint of Roland Clay, of 1111 Walnut street. It is charged that he went to Clay's mother and told her that her son had sent him to her to procure whatever change she had. Reed's story was that young Clay has secured profitable employment and needed the money at once to purchase some minor articles.

LEBRASKY IS IN TROUBLE.

Was Fined $25 in Police Court and Must Answer Charge of Keeping Open His Saloon.

Louis Lebrasky, a bartender employed in Arthur Charlton's saloon, at Sixth and Bluff streets, was fined $25 in police court yesterday morning. Peter Hansen, a discharged soldier, claimed that Lebrasky and Charlton drugged him and robbed him of $40 on election day. Charlton is also under arrest for keeping his saloon open in violation of the order issued by the board of police commissioners.

ARRESTED FOR SHOPLIFTING.

Mrs. Annie Snyder Accused of Stealing a $5 Silk Shirt Waist.

Mrs. Annie Snyder, of 721 Southwest boulevard, was arrested yesterday afternoon on a charge of shoplifting. She is accused of stealing a $5 silk shirt waist from Emery, Bird, Thayer & Co.'s establishment. The garment was secured. A state warrant was issued by Justice Krueger for Mrs. Snyder after she had been arrested by the police. This is the second time she has been arrested on the charge of shoplifting.

T. H. Phillips Robbed.

Burglars entered the dwelling house of T. H. Phillips at 1506 Locust street Wednesday night. Nothing was taken but a guitar. At least Mr. Phillips had not discovered the loss of anything else when the robbery was reported to the police.

Pawnbroker Fined $50.

Jacob Schapiro, a pawnbroker engaged in business at 621 Walnut street, was fined $50 in police court yesterday morning for failing to make a report of the purchase of stolen property to the police. The case was appealed to the criminal court. This is the first fine assessed in police court for this offense for many months.

A Nature Study—"Halt! Halt, I say, where you are!"

"B-b-b-ut, please, sir, I've only five marks with me."

"Calm yourself, my dear sir. I merely desired your photograph in an attitude of extreme fear."—Fliegende Blaetter.

SINGULAR STATEMENT.

From Mrs. Rank to Mrs. Pinkham.

The following letter to Mrs. Pinkham from Mrs. M. Rank, No. 2,354 East Susquehanna Ave., Philadelphia, Pa., is a remarkable statement of relief from utter discouragement. She says:

"I never can find words with which to thank you for what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me.

"Some years ago I had womb trouble and doctored for a long time, not seeing any improvement. At times I would feel well enough, and other times was miserable. So it went on until last October, I felt something terrible creeping over me. I knew not what, but kept getting worse. I can hardly explain my feelings at that time. I was so depressed in spirits that I did not wish to live, although I had everything to live for. Had hysteria, was very nervous; could not sleep and was not safe to be left alone.

"Indeed, I thought I would lose my mind. No one knows what I endured.

"I continued this way until the last of February, when I saw in a paper a testimonial of a lady whose case was similar to mine, and who had been cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I determined to try it, and felt better after the first dose. I continued taking it, and to-day am a well woman, and can say from my heart, 'Thank God for such a medicine.'"

Mrs. Pinkham invites all suffering women to write to her at Lynn, Mass., for advice. All such letters are seen and answered by women only.

MASO TO M'KINLEY.

President of Cuba Wrote to President of United States on September 23.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—A letter from President Maso, of the Cuban provisional government, to President McKinley, became accessible to-day. It is dated at Santa Cruz del Sur, September 23, and deals with the governmental problems which now confront the Americans and Cuban people in Cuba. President Maso says that, with the evacuation of the island by the Spanish, "will commence the arduous and difficult task of establishing in Cuba a firm and stable government, which shall be the legitimate expression of the free will of its people and shall constitute a real guarantee of order, peace and liberty, which the Cubans so ardently wish for."

President Maso says that the logic of events imposed an agreement between the Americans and Cubans as to the ends to be accomplished, and that "the complex labor in which we have been and are engaged has been but in part realized," and that "the governmental council, as the supreme authority of the revolution, has inspired all its acts in the aim of sustaining and aiding the policy of the American government."

President Maso then reviews the actions of the Cuban revolutionary party and indicates the steps that are to be taken by the Cuban people to bring to fruition the hopes which have inspired them through years of strife for freedom. He adds:

"We will stand by those men who have sacrificed everything for the welfare of their country, and we are ready to answer for our conduct." He concedes that the American government should garrison the island in order to insure tranquillity during the period of transition from Spanish to Cuban rule, and that "the natural development of events will necessarily bring about a practical understanding between the American government and the people of Cuba upon a common basis."

W. C. T. U. CONVENTION.

National Organization to Meet at St. Paul To-day—Temple Project to Come Up.

ST. PAUL, MINN., Nov. 10.—The national convention of the W. C. T. U. will open in this city to-morrow morning with a consecration service under the leadership of Miss E. W. Greenwood, the formal opening of the convention being at 10 o'clock. In memory of Miss Frances Willard, who for so many years was at the head of the society, the president's chair will, by unanimous vote of the executive committee, remain unoccupied during all sessions of the convention, save for flowers to be placed on it daily. The opening session will be devoted to welcome speeches, preliminary routine and reports.

The national executive committee decided formally to abandon the temple project in Chicago, and their action will come up before the convention for final decision on Monday, when Mrs. Carse and other friends of the temple hope to be given more time to save the building for the W. C. T. U. The board of national superintendents voted to-day to support this action in regard to the temple, some discussion preceding the vote, but no serious opposition developing among the superintendents.

The national executive committee to-day decided to separate the purity department into three distinct departments, giving each a national superintendent of its own, so that hereafter the mothers' meeting department will have its own directors as well as the rescue department.

CANADIAN COMMISSION.

Sessions Resumed at Washington Yesterday, With Congressman Dingley in Attendance.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—The Anglo-American joint high commission began its sessions here to-day, having adjourned its early sessions at Quebec to meet at Washington after the elections. It was the first gathering of the commissioners, collectively, in Washington. The absentees to-day were Sir Wilfred Laurier and Sir Louis Davies, who are detained at Quebec, and Mr. T. J. Coolidge, of Massachusetts.

The preliminary gathering to-day was in the diplomatic room of the state department, where, after an exchange of greetings, the commission was welcomed by Secretary Hay, who accompanied the members to the White House, where they were presented to the president.

The business session followed at the commission's commodious quarters, which comprise a floor of the Arlington hotel annex.

The meeting to-day was mainly for the purpose of adopting the general plan of business to be followed here.

The commission did not hold an afternoon session, but a committee composed of Lord Herschell, Sir Richard Cartwright and Messrs. Dingley and Kasson was in session. Owing to Mr. Kasson's official position as reciprocity commissioner, and the prominence of Mr. Dingley in tariff affairs, it was inferred that this committee was working on the question of reciprocity. No announcement was made as to the committee work.

FLYING MACHINES IN WAR.

Board of Ordnance and Fortification Will Spend $25,000 in Experimenting.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 10.—The board of ordnance and fortification has decided to institute an investigation of the possibilities of flying machines for reconnoitering purposes and as engines of destruction in time of war, and at the meeting of the board yesterday $25,000 of the funds at the disposal of the board was appropriated for the purpose of experimenting.

So impressed were the authorities here with the advantages which may result in the employment of such machines in the operations of war that Secretaries Long and Alger last summer selected a committee to report upon the subject.

Professor Langley, of the Smithsonian institute, the inventor of the aeroplane, appeared before the board yesterday and gave his expert opinion in favor of experimentation. The board decided, after hearing Professor Langley and reviewing the report of the commission, to expend the $25,000 with a view at present to the perfection and use of some aerial contrivance for reconnoissance.

The experiments will be conducted under the direction of General Greely, of the signal corps, and Professor Langley has agreed to give General Greely the benefit of his advice, but with the distinct understanding that he does so without compensation.

GOING WITHOUT PASSPORTS.

A Party of American Missionaries Leaves for Interior of Turkey Under Escort.

BOSTON, Nov. 10.—The American board of foreign missions received word to-day that a party of missionaries, some of them returning to their homes in Turkey, other going out for the first time, all having been refused passports by the Turkish government, are just starting for the interior without them, but under the special escort of the representatives of the United States legation.

The missionaries composing the party are Mrs. John K. Browne, of Cambridgeport, Mass., returning to her husband and home at Harpoot; Mrs. C. F. Gates, Chicago, Ill., whose husband, Dr. Gates, is president of Euphrates college at Harpoot; Miss Theresa Huntington, of Milton, Mass., and Miss Laura Ellisworth, of Barron, Wis., both going to Harpoot for the first time, as teachers in Euphrates college for girls; Mrs. Robert S. Stapleton, M. D., of Farmers' Creek, Mich., going to join her husband at Erzeroum; Miss Amey H. Lord, of Hancock Point, Me., and Miss Ruth M. Bushnell, of Joppa, Mich., both going to Erzeroum for educational work in the mission high schools.

This is the first time such passports have been refused to missionaries of the board.

A Close Pennsylvania District.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 10.—The official canvass of the vote of the Twenty-sixth congressional district, composed of Crawford and Erie counties, elects Gaston, Democrat, over Higgins, Republican, by 21 votes. This includes the soldier vote, which gave Higgins 144 plurality. This gives the Democrats ten congressmen from Pennsylvania, and the Republicans twenty.

New Central American Capital.

MANAGUA, NICARAGUA, Nov. 10.—The government of the United States of Central America is removing its capital from Amalapala, Honduras, to Chinandega, Nicaragua, which will be the permanent seat of government.

Dreyfus to Be Taken to Paris.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—The Paris correspondent of the Morning Post says: "It has been decided to bring Dreyfus back to Paris."

The Wonder of To-day!
The Beautiful Glass Dress.

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