NEW-YORK, WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 1906.—SIXTEEN PAGES.— by The Tribune Association.

MITO HITS FAST TRAIN.

Robert J. Collier's Chauffeur and Valet Instantly Killed.

Westbury, Long Island, May 22.-An automobile owned by Robert J. Collier, containing George Bishop, his chauffeur, and Fred Whitehead, his valet, crashed into the Port Jefferson express train here at 5:40 o'clock this evening. Bishop and Whitehead were in a 60-horsepower Mercedes. In the rear of the machine were geveral polo mallets and paraphernalia used by Mr. Collier in playing polo.

The men were on the way to Mr. Collier's country home at Wheatley Hills, and thence to intended to play polo this afternoon, and was awaiting the arrival of his mallets.

It is impossible to see a train in either direction at this crossing until it is almost reached. Because of the several accidents at this point it has gained the name of Death's Crossing. The scene of the accident has been frequently

complained of and the railroad commission recently ordered a bridge built across the track, but nothing has been done, and not even a flagman or a gate protects it. Bishop was running the machine at about

twenty miles an hour, and apparently did not About two hundred yards from the crossing George Waster, a butcher of this place, rushed this morning. out into the road and warned the chauffeur of the approaching train, but apparently he did not understand Waster, for the speed of the machine

Twenty yards from the crossing Bishop threw on the brakes, but the momentum carried the automobile along at an apparently undiminished speed. The machine crashed into the second car of the train with a loud report as if the gasolene tank had exploded. The automobile was caught between the rear trucks of the car and dragged along for nearly half a mile before the train was stopped. Bishop and Whitehead were pinioned in the wreckage and drawn

As soon as the train was stopped the hundreds of passengers who had seen the accident got out and rushed to the assistance of the two men. A short examination showed that they had been killed instantly. They were literally ground to pieces.

Word was sent to Mr. Collier at the Meadow Brook Hunt Club, and he came here immediately in a trap. Many of the members of the club acompanied him in automobiles and Soon after the accident there was a crowd of several hundred persons here.

Coroner Cornelius Remsen immediately held an inquest in the Westbury railroad station. He decided that the men had met their death by an unavoidable accident. Charles O'Conner was placed in charge of the bodies.

Mr. Collier directed that the bodies be prepared for burial, and that everything be done at his expense. He expressed his sorrow at the death of the two men. Both, he said, had been in his employ for some time and he thought

DIVORCED; REWED; DIES.

#### Robert Payne Expires Three Weeks After Second Marriage.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Troy, N. Y., May 22.-Robert Payne, at one time president of the Board of Education of Breeklyn, former son-in-law of Thomas Kinsella, founder of "The Brooklyn Eagle," and leader in public life in Brooklyn twenty years ago, died at Fort Miller yesterday, aged sixty-one, three weeks after his second marriage. Mr. Payne was for years a leading Republican in Kings County and a well known lawyer. He was born in Fort Miller in 1845. Educated at Fort Edward and Union College, he was a deseendant of Robert Treat, signer of the Declaration of Independence. He served during the Civil War, and was discharged with the rank of commissary sergeant. He ran for District Atformey in 1882 and was defeated.

In 1881 Mr. Payne married Hannah Kinsella. Two daughters were born, Hannah Kinsella Payne and Louise, now Mrs. Hoffman. In 1895 Mrs. Payne obtained a divorce. Three weeks ago Mr. Payne married Miss Bertha Walleson, granddaughter of a former chief engineer of the United States Navy. Mr. Payne died in his ancestral home, which had been in the family 106

CUSTOMERS SHAVED UNDER FIRE.

#### Brave Barbers Continue to Lather and Scrape While Building Burns.

At 8 o'clock last night flames were discovered on the top floor of the four story building at No. 794 Third avenue, occupied by William Hoffer as a photograph gallery. On the ground floor of the building is a barber shop. The firemen lost no time in getting to work,

and the barbers refused to quit work. There Were four customers in chairs in the barber shop when the firemen arrived and dragged the hose

The customers were there to get shaved, and stayed right in the chairs. The barbers were Just as game as the customers, and, though first Emoke and then water poured from the upper

floors into the shop, continued to lather and It took fifteen minutes to extinguish the blaze, which caused a loss of \$500.

#### ESCAPES FROM SANATORIUM.

#### Clinton Valleau, of This City, Recaptured in Connecticut.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Stamford, Conn., May 22.—Clinton Valleau, head of the Valleau Manufacturing Company, of No. 506 Broome street, New York, escaped from Dr. McFarland's sanatorium, in Greens Farms, Connecticut, this morning, and was proceeding to New York by trolley car, to join his mother and sister, who live at the Hotel Walton, West 70th street and Columbus avenue, when picked up by Hefferman, a plain clothes man.

Valleau's conduct attracted attention. He had 25 cents in money and wore expensive clothing. He seemed anxious to get to New Rochelle, and said his troubles would be over if he could only get there. He had been at the sanatorium six months, receiving treatment for a nervous ail-

The police turned him over to the sanatorium

Equinox—Equinox—Equinox—Equinox. Sparkling lithia Water Quenches Thirst.—Advt.

# TWO GROUND TO DEATH. CROWDED CRAFT ADRIFT

COMMUTERS IN PERIL.

Tide Carries Disabled Ferryboat Toward Rock-Saved by Tugs.

With her whistle calling for help, the disabled ferryboat Garden City, running from East 34th street to Long Island City, drifted in the river last evening, in imminent danger of banging into a shelf of rock midway between Blackwell's Both men were killed instantly. The machine Island and Man-of-War Rock, where a shaft of was caught under the train and ground to pieces, the Belmont tunnel has been sunk. That a dis-The express, bound from Long Island City to astrous panic was averted is due to the coolness Port Jefferson, does not make a stop after it of Captain Thomas Coffey and his crew, who leares Jamaica. It passes through this place at rushed about reassuring the more than five huns rate closely approaching sixty miles an hour. dred passengers, mostly women, while tugs were hurrying from all sides to the rescue

A loosened bolt in the eccentric of the engines had disabled the boat in midstream.

The Garden City left New York shortly after 6 o'clock with its burden of Queens Borough commuters. From the start there was consider the Meadow Brook Hunt Club, where Mr. Collier able difficulty in navigating. The Garden City is of the old type of single deck, paddle wheel boat. .It was crowded with homeward bound trucks, leaving scant space for the passengers. A strong tide soon bore the helpless boat upstream, when the engines failed. For almost an hour, according to some frightened passengers, she drifted.

The tugs Montauk and Wrestler, lying at 3d street, Long Island City, responded to the Garden City's whistle of distress, as well as boats from the New York side. The Montauk and the Wrestler finally got cables on the Garden City and towed her to Long Island City. Employes see or hear the approaching express train. of the Long Island Railroad, which owns the boat, said last night that it would be running

#### ADRIFT ON SOUND.

#### Members of Huguenot Society Rescued from Disabled Launch.

Several members of the Huguenot Society of America, who were the guests yesterday of the Huguenot Society of New Rochelle, went out on Long Island Sound in a steam launch. The party went over toward Glen Cove, and while off Execution Rock on the way back to New Rochelle, the cylinder head of the engine blew out. The launch floated about helpless for some time before an auxiliary poat of the Larchmont Yacht Club put out and towed it back to New

#### TRACING FRENCH MAID.

#### Parents Hope to Dissolve Young Moorhead's Elopement Marriage.

Pittsburg, May 22.-John Alston Moorhead may yet be parted from his French maid bride. The Moorhead family have not given up the fight against the young man's infatuation for his mother's servant, and an investigation is to be made of the young woman's antecedents and record to determine whether or not the marriage

If it should be found that she is of good family and suited to mate with one of Pittsburg's first families all may be forgiven. But in any event it is certain young Moorhead will have to go to work. His father says it is the young man's personal affair, and now that he has seen fit to marry against the wishes of his family he will have to support his wife without

French maid is still the main topic of conversation in Pittsburg. An emissary will be sent to Europe to make more careful inquiry into the young woman's record and ancestry than Mrs. Moorhead made when she employed the maid.

#### MONEY BAG IN OLD INN.

#### Treasure Found in Room Miser Had Twenty Years Ago.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Millville, N. J., May 22.-While razing the old three story frame buildings at the corner of High and Main streets on the site of the proposed Millville National Bank this afternoon the workmen discovered a large bag of money hidden away between the walls. The men carried it into the street, where a large crowd soon

Among the crowd was Adolph Hess, who recently purchased the buildings for \$50. The bag with its contents was turned over to him. He took it to his home to examine it. When seen later Mr. Hess refused to tell the amount of money in the bag or talk of the discovery, except to say that it was a large sum.

The building was erected over half a century ago and was at one time known as the South Jersey Tavern. The room where the treasure was found was for many years occupied by Fritz Malvin, an old miser, who was found dead in his bed twenty years ago. He was said to be wealthy and it is thought that he put the money between the walls.

#### ARISTOCRATIC CHICAGO CHILDLESS

#### Census Takers Resign Owing to Scarceness of Minors in Fashionable Districts.

Chicago, May 22.—Census takers for the school board assigned to Lake Shore Drive and Kenwood precincts have given up the job. So have those who have been canvassing Calumet, Prai-

rie and Michigan avenues, trying to find minors. Forty enumerators handed resignations to Secretary Larson after they had spent a day scouring the race suicide districts in the effort to find a dinner's worth of children. The census takers are paid at the rate of one cent a name

for all children. Every enumerator wanted to be assigned to the ghetto, and forty of those who received fashionable precincts gave up the work as bad and unprofitable.

At a late hour to-night it was reported that all of the enumerators who had been assigned to place. They journeyed back, with the band, also the ghetto were still at work. So were those who had been sent to the stockyards district and into the communities around the Settlement houses.

#### WOMAN PRAYS-LOST WATCH RETURNED.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Pittsburg, May 22.-A valuable gold watch studded with diamonds, a present from her late husband, was stolen last night from Mrs. Annie E. Bradford at her home, at 39th and Charlotta streets. The theft was reported to the police, but Mrs. Bradford, believing more in prayer, started to pray for its return. While she was on her knees Detective Homer Crooks walked in with the watch. He had recovered it soon after its disappearance.

NEW PITTSBURGH DAY EXPRESS via Penusylvania Railroad, beginning May 27. Leave New York 9:55 A. M., arriving Pittsburgh 7:00 P. M. Parlor car, dining car and coach. Advt. INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC OWNERSHIP OF THE NATIONAL CIVIC FEDERATION.

Who sailed on the Caronia yesterday. Lower row (seated, reading from left to right)—John H. Gray, Walton Clark, Frank J. Goodnow, Frank Parsons and Edw. A. Moffett. Second row (standing, reading from left to right)—John R. Commons, F. J. McNulty, William J. Clark, Ralph M. Easley and



# LEPERS MADE WHOLE.

#### Louisiana Physicians Announce Three Cures in State Home.

New Orleans, May 22.-In a report submitted to Governor Blanchard to-day by the board of control of the Louisiana Leper Home, announcement is made for the first time that a definite cure has been obtained in three cases of leprosy. The cures are mentioned in the reports of Dr. Hopkins, visiting physician, and Dr. Isador Dyer, consulting physician. The patients have been discharged.

It is said in the report that the disease continues to spread in this state, and that the cases show evidence of a recent outbreak, and that there are certain centres of infection yet to be investigated. In some instances the disease has been carried to non-infected points by patients who escaped from the home.

The members of the board suggest that an appeal be made to the federal government to establish a national hospital for lepers.

#### EDUCATION BILL FIGHT.

Long, Bitter Struggle Under Way in House of Commons.

London, May 22.—The detailed discussion of ionally the debates are marked by lively alter-

# Public Utilities Systems.

Among the passengers who sailed on the Caronia yesterday were seven members of the National Civic Federation, selected to investigate the English system of public utilities. They were Professor Frank J. Goodnow, Columbia University; Walton Clark, third vice-president of the United Gas Workers of Philadelphia; Professor John Gray, Northwestern University; William J. Clark, foreign manager of the General Electric Company; Professor Frank Parsons, president of the National Public Ownership League of Boston; Professor John R. Commons, University of Wisconsin; F. J. McNulty, president of the International Brotherhoof of Electrical Workers, Washington; Ralph M. Easley, Talcott Williams and Edward A. Moffett. When the committee arrives in London they will join forces with the five members of the commission already there, of which Melville Ingalis is chairman. They will make a thorough investiga-tion of municipal ownership of gas, water, light and traction systems, as operated in London and other towns in the United Kingdom. One of the members of the commission said that

they would be assisted by experts in each of the systems, and that probably two months would be devoted to the study of the municipal system

## PAID FOR DEATH FEAST.

#### Old Soldier Desired Comrades To Be Merry After His Funeral.

"Eat, drink and be merry at my expense." was died Saturday, to his comrades of George H. Thomas Post, G. A. R. In compliance with his desire, on their return from Heller's burial yesterday the forty-five surviving members of the awaited them.

successful builder. The members of the post, led by Commander Mortimer Crosby, marched in the funeral cortege from the home of their dead comrade, at No. 50 Cambridge avenue, to Flower Hill Cemetery, where the burial took paid for from Heller's \$100, by trolley cars to utes the hall, and ate, drank, sang and eulogized their

#### ACCUSES SECRETARY OF STATE. [By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Madison, Wis., May 22.-Insurance Commissioner Host wrote to-day to the District Attorney of Dane County that he is willing to swear out a warrant for Secretary of State Walter Houser on a charge of offering a bribe of \$2,000 to render a decision favorable to the Equitable company, as testified by Host before the legislative committee last week in Milwaukee.

#### THE WOLVERINE

Is a fine train for Detroit, Grand Rapids, Saginaw and Chicago. Leaving New York at 4:30 p. m. daily you reach Detroit next morning and Grand Rapids, Saginaw or Chicago next afternoon yia New York Central Lines.—Advt.

#### FOR SCULPTORS' HOME MADMAN TIES UP TRAINS.

#### Gift of \$10,000 Toward Fund of National Society.

It was learned last evening that a wealthy New Yorker had given \$10,000 toward the fund of \$250,000 which members of the National Sculpture Society are trying to raise for the erection and endowment of a home for destitute sculptors, painters and architects of this city. This movement, as already told in The Tribune, is distinct from the plan of the Artists' Aid Soclety and the Artists' Fund Society to raise \$50,000 for the aid of superannuated artists and place them in established homes.

It was also learned last night that the Fine Arts Federation has appointed the following committee on plan and scope, which will formulate plans for site and building for an artists home: Charles A. Rich, architect; Augustus Lukeman, sculptor, and Henry B. Snell, painter. It is said to be purposed to erect a home which shall be not only comfortable, but beautiful. One of the features of the home in contemplation will be studios where sculptors, painters and archietts can practise their professions in their old

Options on several pieces of property on Staten Island were obtained recently. As soon as \$50,000 has been raised, which, by reason of conditional promises already made, is confidently the education bill in the House of Commons is expected in the near future, one of the old now in full swing, and there is every indication Staten Island estates now in the market will be of a prolonged struggle. The opposition is purchased. Building operations will be begun strenuously contesting every point, and occa- at once, and the skill of the landscape architect will be called into play to make the grounds at-

sionally the debates are marked by lively altercations, resulting in the measure making slight progress.

AFTER ENGLISH IDEAS.

Civic Federation Men to Observe Public Utilities Systems.

Washing into play to make the grounds attractive.

Meanwhile, many destitute artists are being cared for by the Artists' Aid Society and the Artists' Fund Society. It is said on excellent authority that there are many sculptors in this city, distinguished in their profession years ago, who are in great need, and, besides a dozen or more well known artists, there are more than a score of architects who, through ill health or misfortune, can no longer provide for themselves and their families.

### WESTON ON THE WALK.

# Pioneer Pedestrian After Philadelphia-New York Record.

Philadelphia, May 23.-Full of confidence in his ability to break his own record of twentyfive years ago, Edward Payson Weston, the veteran pedestrian, who is sixty-eight years old, started from the north terrace of the City Hall at 12:05 o'clock this morning, to walk to the New York City Hall in twenty-four consecutive hours. A large crowd assembled to see the plucky little old man give the lie to the Osler theory, and a hearty cheer went up for him as he took his old familiar stride when the clock pointed to the given minute. He took the smooth asphalt paving of Broad street for his start, but expects to strike softer walking along the country roads.

Accompanying the walker are two physicians, who will cover the distance in carriages and keep close watch upon the pedestrian, making observations in the interest of science. They are Drs. E. E. Lee and Robert Taylor, of New York. In the carriage is a supply of liquid food, which will be Weston's sole sustenance on the trip, although he will have all the water he wants to drink.

Weston wore the shoes in which he won the noted Astley belt many years ago. He wore the request of Charles Heller, of Jersey City, who knee breeches, leather puttees, a coat that reached to his knees, and a small cloth cap, and carried a light cane. He was in fine spirits when the start was made, and said he expected to lower his record by just one minute. His post marched to the hall where the feast, paid schedule for the walk is to reach Frankfort at for by their comrade's death benefit of \$100, 1:20, Holmesburg at 2:35, Bristol at 5:05, Trenton at 7:50. There a rest of fifteen minutes will Heller was a member of the 54th New York be taken. Kingston is the next point, at 11:20, Infantry in the Civil War, and later became a with New Brunswick next, at 2:13 p. m., where a rest of twenty minutes will be taken. The schedule calls for his arrival at Jersey City at 11:03 p. m.; City Hall, New York, 11:21, and Fifth Avenue Hotel at 12:01 a. m. This would make the total distance, deducting a mile on the ferryboat across the North River, ninety-two miles, and the total time 23 hours and 55 minutes.

Thirty-five years ago Weston was the object of study by Professor Austin Flint and other physicians in a walk of 320 miles in five days. The records taken by the physicians at that time will be of use for comparison in the present trip.

### OPPOSITION TO LITTLEFIELD.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]
Lewiston, Me., May 22.—Congressman Charles F.
Littlefield has arrived here, and has been in conference with several prominent Republicans of the 2d District relative to the opposition that has developed against his renomination. It has been un-officially announced that John P. Swasey, of Can-ton, is out to defeat Littlefield, and news of this activity is said to be responsible for Mr. Little-field's unexpected visit.

TWO-HOUR TRAINS TO PHILADELPHIA via Pennsylvania Railroad, beginning May 27. Leave New York 11:55 A. M. (dining car), 1:55 P. M. week days; 9:55 A. M. Sundays. Parlor cars and coaches. —Advt.

#### Operates Telegraph and Disorganizes Whole Wabash System. [By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Huntington, Ind., May 22.-While Henry Beauchamp, the regular Wabash operator at Andrews, was temporarily absent from the office to-day, Everitt Kellam took possession of the train operation keyboard and began to give orders to the various dispatchers along the line regarding the running of trains. Kellam was recently employed in the local shops of the Chicago & Erie Railroad. He was overcome by the heat and went insane. He had been a telegraph operator, but knew nothing about the Wabash system, and when the dispatchers received his orders the greatest confusion resulted.

Orders to hold a certain train were followed by another to "send her along like hin one or two instances he stumbled on the number of the train and this made the mystery deeper. It was at first supposed that the sending operator was drunk, but it was not known to what extent other operators were being governed by his messages.

The operator nearest Andrews finally threw the wire open, and, after grounding it, got into communication with other dispatchers along the line and it was concluded the safest policy to hold up all trains till the trouble could be in-

When Beauchamp returned and saw Kellam at his key he summoned assistance and the insane man was bound, aften a struggle, and sent to jail on a handcar. The trouble was then explained and the trains were moved from the stations at which they were being held.

# VICE-CONSUL SHOT DEAD.

#### German Official at Panama Port Killed by Native.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Mobile, May 22 .- A. Cannich, vice-consul of Germany and cashier of the United Fruit Company, at Bocas del Toro, Panama, was killed on the night of May 16 by a native named Meier in a restaurant, and it took the entire police force of the little tropical seaport, armed with rifles, to check a lynching that same night.

The news of the unprovoked murder was brought to the city to-day by the United Fruit Company's steamer Belvernon, which sailed the evening after the killing.

Mr. Cannich was a native of Hamburg, Germany, and went to Bocas del Toro years ago. On Saturday evening, May 16, Mr. Cannich, with Consul Beckmann, the German representative, and a couple of other men, was seated in a little restaurant on the beach road, or street, when Meier, a half-breed native, entered the place and demanded something to eat. He was told that it was too late. Then he walked out, and in a few minutes returned with a pistol in his hand.

Without a word he opened fire on the party of men. One of the bullets struck Cannich in the shoulder and, ranging downward, penetrated the heart, killing him almost instantly. Another shot struck one of the other men in the arm.

## FRISCO'S BIG AUTO BILL.

#### Committee Scents Extortion -Scandal May Follow.

San Francisco, May 22.-Extortionate charges to the city for automobile hire during the first two weeks following the fire may develop into a huge scandal before the finance committee finishes auditing the accounts. In the tabulated statement filed with the committee of forty on Saturday there appears a charge of \$157,599 for automobile service.

Only 129 claims were presented to cover this sum. The average rental a day was \$35, but in many instances the charge was even higher. What the committee will do with this item is still undetermined. In the same table is a statement of charges for milk, butter, eggs, bread, vegetables, drugs, hay, grain and clothing

# BLACK HAND THREATENS.

#### Terranova Juror Alleged to Share in Padrone Graft.

Frank L. Brooks, one of the jurors in the Terrank L. Brooks, one of the jurors in the Terranova trial and a contractor in The Bronx, received a threatening letter, signed by the Black Hand. It says that Mr. Brooks employs two padrones.

# THE RATE BILL "JOKER."

PRICE THREE CENTS.

# MR. M'CUMBER'S DENIAL.

# Tribune's Exposure Likely to Cause

# Rejection of Amendment.

North Dakota, author of the "little joker" in the Railway Rate bill, which The Tribune exposed this morning, rose to a question of perpart of the Washington dispatch on this subject in this morning's Tribune. Mr. McCumber proceeded to deny that he had made to The Tribune correspondent the admissions related in that dispatch, and that the bill would have the effect described in The Tribune, and he added that he could not understand how any person with the slightest reasoning powers could have reached the decisions arrived at in the article in The Tribune.

In so far as the denials are concerned, Mr. McCumber's memory is at fault. He made the admissions referred to when interrogated by The Tribune correspondent, and made them in the presence of a witness. Nor would it have been easy to deny the effect of the amendment nor to explain his purpose, which, he said, was to harmonize this section with the Allison amendment on any other hypothesis

The word "lawfully," which Mr. McCumbe restored to the bill in place of "regularly," was contained in the original Hepburn bill, and was stricken out and "regularly" was substituted in the House committee, because "lawfully" was open to the precise objections related in this morning's dispatch. Representative Townse of Michigan, is of the opinion that The Tribune's interpretation of the amendment is the correct one, and Senator Spooner holds the same opinion. It is doubtful, in fact, if Mr. McCumbe can find a half dozen members of the Senate who will support him in his contention that The

The amendment is regarded as certain to be ejected in conference, and it is doubtful whether Mr. McCumber can find one of the Senate leaders who will support his proposition, now that The Tribune has exposed its effect, with the possible exception of Senator Aldrich.

In regard to the reasoning of which Mr. Mc-Cumber complains, the fact that this amendment was strongly urged on members of the Senate committee by representatives of the railroads, and that, in the estimation of the ablest lawyers in both houses of Congress, it would put the burden of proof on the Interstate Commerce Commission, so that a carrier would need only disregard an order of the commission and the commission would be obliged to prove to the satisfaction of the court the "lawfulness" of such order before any mandatory process could be obtained, amply warrant the opinion that the

amendment was a "joker." The unanimity with which the conferrees of both houses will reject this amendment will afford conclusive proof of the accuracy of The Tribune correspondent's statements and the beneficial effect of its exposure of the "little

# BRYAN AGAIN, SAYS MACK.

#### Roosevelt's Opponent in 1908, He Thinks-"Hearst Next Governor."

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]
Derby, Conn., May 22.—"It will be Bryan by acclamation, and probably Roosevelt as his opponent,
in 1908," declared Norman E. Mack, of Buffalo, National Democratic Committeeman, chairman of the New York Democratic State Central Committee and Editor and publisher of "The Buffalo Times," to a Tribune correspondent to-day. Mr. Mack came to Connecticut for a few hours to call on Alexander Troup, Editor of "The New Haven Union" and an old friend, and returned to Buffalo to-night, "Hearst will be nominated for Governor of New York State," continued Mr. Mack, "and he will be elected. The possibility of his having to serve a term as Mayor of New York City will not be a factor in the Governorship campaign, I think, for there seems to be little likelihood of the ballot boxes being reopened. Do I think Tammany will be in line for Hearst? Tammany always is in line, and there will be no dropping of Hearst's majority for Governor because of the Mayoralty fight last fall and the bitterness then engendered. Conditions never were more propitious for Democratic success. In our state all the factions are fusing fast, and there is not a ripple of discord to mar the harmony that pervades the party. I look for a Democratic

#### OHIO DEMOCRATS FOR BRYAN.

Lima, Ohio, May 22.-William Jennings Bryan was indorsed for President here to-day by the Democratic judicial convention of sixteen counties of Northwestern Ohio. The convention adopted a resolution asserting that Bryan would have been renominated and elected in 1904 had the trusts not stolen the nomination from him and that the national Democracy will nominate him in 1908 by acclamation.

CHEWS TWO FINGERS-LOSES HAND,

#### Negro, Saying He Is Apostle, Forces Boat's Captain to Eat Digits. [By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Seaford, Del., May 22.—Saying that he was an apostle of Christ and that he was sent to deliver a personal message to Captain Edward Jones that, as a sacrifice, he must eat four of his fingers, an unknown negro, whom Jones had given passage from the mouth of the Nanticoke River to come to Seaford to pick berries, attacked the captain, and at the point of a revolver tried to make him eat his fingers. The captain, seeing that it was life or death, chewed two of his fingers. The negro turned his head at a sound, and Captain Jones sprang upon him. In the struggle both fell overboard. The mate, hearing the cries for help, rescued the captain, but the negro was drowned. The captain's hand

### PRIMROSE AND WEST PROPERTY SOLD.

#### Syndicate Buys Land in Mount Vernon Adjoining Home of the Late J. A. Bailey.

George H. Primrose and Mrs. Emma West, widow of W. H. West, sold yesterday for about \$200,000, through Bryan L. Kennelly, a tract of fifty acres of land fronting in California Road. Corcoran Manor, Mount Vernon, and adjoining the property of the late James A. Bailey. Primrose and West, the latter the husband of Mrs. West, organized many years ago the minstrel troupe bearing their name. They headed their own company. The buyer of the tract is a syndicate represented by Aaron Weinberger.

#### CELL WOULD NOT HOLD CLAIRVOYANT.

drones, who charge each laborer who works for Mr. Brooks \$10 and force them to give other fees to hold their places. The letter continues that Mr. Brooks and two engineers of the New York Central Railroad share in the profits obtained through these padrones.

The letter, Mr. Brooks says, was apparently written by some one who was fairly well educated, but attempted to hide this by making errors in spelling and English. He denied last night that any of the charges were true. Mr. Brooks has not yet notified the police. Elmira, N. Y., May 22.-Dr. George Magee,