

SEEK A NEW PASTOR

Presbyterians of Alexandria Want Rev. James R. Sevier.

DECIDE TO EXTEND CALL

Minister Now in Lynchburg—Special Vesper Service at St. Mary's Catholic Church—Trades Council Will Hold Important Meeting This Evening—Other News Items.

WASHINGTON HERALD BUREAU, (Bell Telephone 114.) Corner of Truse and Royal Streets, Alexandria, Va., Nov. 25.—At a congregational meeting at the Second Presbyterian Church to-day it was unanimously decided to extend a call to Rev. James R. Sevier, of Lynchburg, to become pastor of the local church.

A committee was appointed consisting of William H. Melchior, Frank L. Slaymaker, William Campbell, and A. G. Uhler for the purpose of presenting the invitation to the minister. He is at present in charge of a church in Lynchburg. The meeting was presided over by A. G. Uhler, and Frank L. Slaymaker was the secretary. It is expected that a reply will be received from Mr. Sevier within a short time. Since Rev. Dr. Frank J. Brooke resigned, January 1, the Second Presbyterian Church has been without a regular pastor, the services being conducted by visiting ministers.

Attended Special Service.

A large congregation attended the special vesper services this evening at St. Mary's Catholic Church, the third of a special series, under the auspices of the Paulist Fathers, of the Apostolic Mission House, of Brookland, D. C. Rev. Father William L. Sullivan, C. S. P., of St. Thomas College, Brookland, delivered the sermon. His theme was "Charity." Gregorian music was rendered by the choir.

Rev. Charles D. Bulla to-night delivered the second of a series of sermons to young men before a large audience in the Washington Street Methodist Episcopal Church. The subject was, "Is the Young Man Safe?—No, if He Keeps Bad Company."

Mrs. Connie Rector, daughter of Arthur Cleveland, died this morning at her home near the Seminary, in Fairfax County. The funeral will take place Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from the home of the father of the deceased.

It is announced that a committee of ladies will be on duty at the Alexandria Hospital Thursday from 9 a. m. until 5 p. m. for the purpose of receiving Thanksgiving donations to that institution. Special collections for the benefit of the hospital will be taken Thanksgiving Day in many of the local churches.

A special meeting of the Alexandria Trades Council will be held Monday evening in the Council Hall in the Alexandria National Bank Building. It is understood that business of importance concerning local trades conditions will be discussed.

Robinsons to Get Hearing.

John Robinson and his son, J. Harvey Robinson, who were arrested November 15 on the charge of stealing merchandise from the cars of the Southern Railway Company, will be given a hearing to-morrow before Justice Caton in the Police Court. The younger defendant is now out on bail in the sum of \$2,000, but his father is still locked up, having been unable to furnish surety. A large quantity of miscellaneous articles seized by the police at the home of the defendants will be introduced as evidence against them. Attorney Lewis H. Machen will appear in their behalf at the hearing, and the State will be represented by Commonwealth Attorney Samuel G. Brent.

EDUCATORS TO GATHER.

Conference at Richmond This Week Promises to Be Well Attended.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 25.—The largest and most beneficial educational conference ever held in the State will be held here this week. The conference, which will begin Tuesday night in the Academy of Music, will be continued Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, and it will embrace discussions in every branch of educational work in the State. The attendance promises to be large. Superintendents, teachers, and other school officials will begin to arrive to-morrow. The scope of the work contemplated is so broad that it will include others besides school officials. Supervisors of counties, judges, and citizens generally are invited, and many of them will attend from all sections of the State.

FARM LABOR IS IMPORTED.

Englishmen Quickly Secure Positions After Reaching Richmond.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 25.—A party of thirteen farm laborers from England arrived here today via Philadelphia and reported to the office of the commissioner of agriculture, where they found many applications of farmers on hand for such labor. By night most of them had found homes and had started for them. This is not contract labor in any sense. The commissioner simply addresses them that there are many demands for farm laborers to come to Virginia and that they can get work. The law against contract labor is strictly observed.

Condemn 60,000 Pounds of Game.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 25.—During the week the inspectors of the game department have condemned 60,000 pounds of poultry and game, consisting of partridges, pheasants, and thousands of rabbits. The poultry was dressed. It made sixteen double wagon loads, and the inspectors followed it to the crematory and saw it incinerated before leaving.

Trackman Killed by Train.

Cumberland, Md., Nov. 25.—J. T. Ridge, aged sixty, a Baltimore and Ohio trackman, was killed near Magnolia, W. Va. His body was found on the track this morning, and brought here and later shipped to his home, 825 South Charles street, Baltimore.

Poison Placed in Tea Kettle.

Wheeling, W. Va., Nov. 25.—Snyder Nelson, a wealthy dairyman, living near Bridgeport, Ohio, his wife, and his father-in-law, John Robinson, are in a serious condition as a result of carbolic acid poisoning. It is said an unknown person entered the kitchen yesterday and poured carbolic acid in the tea kettle. The family drank coffee made from the poisoned water. Murder is believed to have been the motive.

DANCE COSTS HIM \$2,000.

Congressman Bennett Inadvertently Signs Check for a Friend.

Huntington, W. Va., Nov. 25.—Representative Joseph B. Bennett, of the Ninth Congressional district of Kentucky, was victimized out of \$2,000 on the floor of a small ballroom in this city, and J. C. Kirkman, the man who is charged with working the game, is in jail in Cincinnati.

A week ago Mr. Bennett came to Huntington to attend a banquet of the Mystic Shrine, given at the opening of a new hotel here. Mr. Bennett had just relinquished his partner after a grand walk in which sixty couples participated, when he was beckoned to the door by an acquaintance from his old home. The acquaintance was Kirkman, and he whispered into the Representative's ear that he was "broke," and needed \$20 to tide him over. Bennett was so interested in the dance that he told Kirkman he hadn't time to write a check, but if he would draw one for \$20 he would sign it. Kirkman, it is charged, went to the office of a friend and drew the check for \$2,000 instead of \$20, and hastened back to the ballroom, where Mr. Bennett, without noticing the amount, signed his name. Kirkman left on a midnight train for Catlettsburg, Ky., and was the first man at the door when the bank opened its doors the next morning. He secured the money on the check, and it is alleged took the next train for Cincinnati. Mr. Bennett yesterday learned that the check had been drawn for \$2,000 instead of \$20 and he put the authorities to work to locate Kirkman. He was located in Cincinnati and will be brought back and prosecuted.

BURIED THE WRONG BODY

Family Mourned Young Man as Dead and Attended Funeral.

After Thirteen Years the Right Son Turns Up Alive, Telling of Experiences in South America.

Special to The Washington Herald. Lynchburg, Va., Nov. 25.—Mrs. S. E. Perego has heard from her brother, C. W. Wood, whom she expects soon to return to his old home in Orange County, where his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth J. Wood, and a number of other relatives live.

Mr. Wood left Alexandria, Va., for a trip through the West in 1893. His last letter was written from Minnesota town on October 4, 1903. Eight weeks later hunters found the body of an unidentified man, and circumstantial evidence seemed to prove that he was the Virginian. They notified the family and the corpse was shipped East. A week later all the friends and relatives of Mr. Wood attended the funeral.

Since then he has been mourned as dead, and to Mrs. Perego this information comes almost as a voice from the grave. Now she expects soon to go back to the home of her childhood at Somerset, Orange County, for a happy reunion of the remaining members of her family.

Mr. Wood has just written to obtain the addresses of his brothers and sisters, for the purpose of writing to them, little information as to his movements in the lapse of years is conveyed, except that he had been in South America; traveled extensively, and has married, and is now the father of five children. Upon his return home he will learn that since his departure three sisters have died.

While a resident of Alexandria Mr. Wood was a lieutenant in a military company for ten years, and is well known there.

TAKEN AFTER 9-YEAR HUNT.

Moonshiner, Who Eluded Marshals for a Decade, Arrested.

Berkeley Springs, W. Va., Nov. 25.—Isaac Tusing, who ran an illicit distillery in the Hardy Mountains for twenty years and had eluded the United States marshals during a nine-year hunt was arrested yesterday by Deputy W. D. Brown, except that he had been in South America; traveled extensively, and has married, and is now the father of five children. Upon his return home he will learn that since his departure three sisters have died.

DEER DIE OF BLACK TONGUE.

Virginians Warned Against Purchase of Venison of Strangers.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 25.—The public is being warned in the middle Virginia counties to be careful in the purchase of venison. The deer are dying in large numbers from a disease known as the black tongue. Strange to say, when in a dying condition, they come into the open as if seeking human aid. A man who made a trip through portions of Amelia and Powhatan, counted eleven fine deer dead in view of the roadside.

CUPID RAIDS STATE SCHOOLS.

Marrriages Leave Vacancies in One-third of West Virginia Districts.

Clarksburg, W. Va., Nov. 25.—Again has Cupid raided the schools of West Virginia. During the civil war he observed in Col. White's battalion, Thirty-fifth Virginia Cavalry, as a courier. At Gettysburg he received a slight wound in the back of his head. He is survived by his wife, who was a Miss Stoussenger, of Virginia, and two children, Miss Naomi Thomas, and Ernest Thomas, master mechanic for Berkshire Electric Railway, Pittsfield, Mass.

Veteran Dies of Heart Disease.

Hagerstown, Md., Nov. 25.—Thomas O'Neal, who for many years operated boats on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, was found dead to-day at his home at Williamsport. He was seventy-three years old, and his death is believed to have been due to heart failure. He served in the First Maryland Regiment during the civil war. His wife met a tragic death by burning, several years ago.

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CARUSO WILL APPEAR

Tenor Expected to Sing in Opera Wednesday Night.

VOICE SOMEWHAT IMPROVED

Friends Will Give Him an Ovation, but Enemies of Corried May Be on Hand to Raise a Disturbance in Favor of Impresario's Admirers. Will Appeal the Case.

New York, Nov. 25.—Caruso's voice was somewhat improved to-day, and Herr Corried, manager of the Metropolitan Opera House, has strong hopes that the tenor will be able to appear in opening engagement as Rodolfo, in "La Boheme," on Wednesday night. Mr. Corried and Caruso's friends believe that if he appears he will receive an ovation. The tenor's friends are planning to turn out in force and for the regular subscription organizers it is declared that there is strong doubt among them as to the sufficiency of the evidence on which Caruso was found guilty.

If there is any unfavorable demonstration on Wednesday night over the appearance of Caruso, Herr Corried's friends say that it will come from enemies, which the managers have made. What is feared most is some sort of an interruption of the chorus singer's union or others in sympathy with the union, who make take this opportunity to even up old scores with the impresario.

Will Sing on Saturday.

Caruso's next scheduled appearance on the Metropolitan Opera House stage, after the performance of "La Boheme," is as Alfredo in "La Baviata," on Saturday afternoon.

Caruso called at the offices of the Metropolitan Opera House this morning to get his mail, and spent a good part of the day out of doors. His friends say that he, naturally, is depressed, but that he is taking the situation much more calmly than they had expected. He has the utmost confidence that Magistrate Baker's decision will be reversed on appeal.

Ex-Judge Dittusheffer, Caruso's leading counsel, will appear in General Sessions to-morrow morning, probably before Judge O'Sullivan, to ask for an order granting an appeal. The affidavit upon which the request was made was taken up by the lawyers and signed by Caruso to-day. It cites that the evidence submitted in the magistrate's court was insufficient.

Caruso's lawyers will appear in the Yorkville Police Court to-morrow and pay the \$10 fine under protest. Caruso himself will not be obliged to appear in either the Police Court or in General Sessions when the application is made for the order of appeal.

Comment of Milan Papers.

Milan, Nov. 25.—The Corriere de la Sera, commenting upon the Caruso case, denounces Deputy Police Commissioner Matio's "unpardonable trade," which, it says, confounds the Italian criminal element in New York with the entire colony, and defames the Italian nation by contemptible methods.

The Perseveranza says: "Whether Caruso was guilty of a low action toward a lady is not our affair. What we insist on is that the judicial procedure in the case is calculated to cast ridicule upon America and its institutions."

The Critica Drammatica deplors Caruso's appeal to the police, and asks: "Did the famous tenor expect that Italy would declare war on the United States to avenge the episode of the monkey house?"

IRISHMEN IN BIG MEETING.

Anniversary of Manchester Martyrs Celebrated in Chicago.

Chicago, Nov. 25.—Chicago Irishmen celebrated the anniversary of the Manchester martyrs to-night with a monster mass meeting at Orchestra Hall.

President Daniel Hanrahan, of the United Irish Society, called the gathering to order, and Mayor Deane, an Irishman by birth, presided. M. J. Ryan of Philadelphia, president of the United Irish League of America, made the address of the evening, outlining the work done by the League, and the progress of the fight in the British Parliament for Hibernian home rule.

Other speakers were Richard Hazelton, member of Parliament from North Galway, and Thomas H. Kettle, member from East Tyrone. The two members of Parliament expressed confidence that home rule will be granted to Ireland.

AUTO INJURES DEAF WOMAN.

Citizens Indignant at Treatment Accorded Mrs. Tschifely.

Boyd's, Md., Nov. 25.—Great indignation is expressed in Hyattstown at the action of a party of Hagerstown autoists who ran down and seriously injured Mrs. John Tschifely, daughter of Oliver Watkins, of Germantown.

Mrs. Tschifely is somewhat deaf and did not hear the rattle of the motor of the machine. She was struck and hurled some distance, but the car did not stop. Some passers-by, who saw the accident, telephoned ahead, and the party was arrested at this place. They were held until \$50 bond was given by Miss Rockville court to answer to the charge of fast driving and criminal carelessness.

JACOB N. THOMAS IS DEAD.

Member of Thirty-fifth Virginia Cavalry Passes Away at Boyd's, Md.

Boyd's, Md., Nov. 25.—Jacob N. Thomas died this evening of general debility, in his seventieth year. Mr. Thomas moved to this county twenty-five years ago from Frederick County. He was a son of Otto Thomas. His mother was a Miss Rawlings. During the civil war he served in Col. White's battalion, Thirty-fifth Virginia Cavalry, as a courier. At Gettysburg he received a slight wound in the back of his head. He is survived by his wife, who was a Miss Stoussenger, of Virginia, and two children, Miss Naomi Thomas, and Ernest Thomas, master mechanic for Berkshire Electric Railway, Pittsfield, Mass.

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DEAL TO PASS TWO BILLS IS PLANNED.

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holidays, so that the actual time at the disposal of the two Houses will be reduced to a trifle more than two months.

An opinion which is expressed more frequently than usual this winter is that the period at present allotted for the session is altogether too limited to permit the proper transaction of business. Representative Livingston, of Georgia, the ranking Democrat of the Appropriations Committee, says that three months is by no means sufficient for the careful consideration of even the appropriation bills, and that as a result of the enforced hurry the committee is compelled to accept the recommendations of department and bureau heads, without thorough investigation. In consequence, he says, the totals are all wrong, and the recommendations will be larger than they should be this year. Congress has the power to add to the length of the short session by providing for a meeting day earlier than the first Monday in December.

Posted on President's Wishes.

The recommendations contained in the President's message naturally will have much to do with the trend of legislation, but it is quite obvious that the brief time at the disposal of Congress will make it impossible to act on all the matters which Mr. Roosevelt will place before it. The leaders are already pretty well informed as to the contents of the message, and their store of knowledge will be added to during the coming week, for as soon as the President returns they will descend on him in bunches, prepared to make up for the time they have lost by reason of his absence.

By the end of the week all of the members of consequence will know the details of the message, which means that they will be informed as to whether it will contain any references to the tariff. This is about the only matter of importance concerning which they are not advised now.

But the two Houses have their hands full even without the message, and the President's suggestions for new legislation will entail. In addition to the appropriation bills, attention will be demanded by a number of the important matters which the long session did not act on finally. The main items for example, were left in conference when adjournment occurred.

The Senate and the House had each passed a bill but the two had not reconciled when the session ended, and it is certain that if the Fifty-ninth Congress is brought to a close without the enactment of a law providing additional restrictions on the enormous volume of immigration now pouring into the United States, the lawmakers will wear the country in no uncertain way.

Smoot Case Still Pending.

The Senate will have to deal with the Smoot case if it wishes to avoid the charge that its majority leaders have no real desire to act in the premises. Senator Smoot will have served four years of his six-year term on March 4 next, and if his case is permitted to go over to the Sixtieth Congress it will mean that the Republican majority has no intention to disturb him. No many promises have been made that the public will not be inclined to believe anything is to be done until his six-year term expires. Both sides throughout the country is that if Mr. Smoot is not fit to be a member of the Senate he should be ousted at once, and that if he is fit, the stigma which is attached to him should be removed. The further loss of time. The report of the Committee on Privileges and Elections is now before the Senate.

Two election reform measures which made little or no progress last session, because of the fear of the leaders in Congress that definite action on them might have an unfavorable effect on this year's political contests, may be brought to the front again. The measures are to get together next Monday. One provides for publicity, regardless of campaign expense and the other forbids campaign contributions from corporations. Both have the support of the President, all of the minority, and several of the more independent Republicans in House and Senate, including Representative McCall, of Massachusetts.

La Follette Bill to Come Up.

Senator La Follette's bill limiting the working hours of railway employees will be voted on January 21, the Senate having agreed on that date last session. If the bill passes the Senate, it will have a fairly good chance of getting through the House.

The President's visit to Porto Rico, to the address of the people of the island as "yellow-citizens" will lend interest to Senator Foraker's bill which seeks to make them citizens legally as well as sentimentally.

Other bills of greater or lesser importance are those providing for copyright changes, swamp reclamation under the irrigation act, anti-injunction, an eight-hour day, the retirement of superannuated Federal judges, and numerous others. The Santo Domingo, Isle of Pines, and Moroccan treaties are still to be acted on by the Senate.

VIRGINIA RECTOR TO WED.

Engagement of Rev. Mr. Kinvolving and Miss Pitt Is Announced.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 25.—Announcement is made of the coming marriage of Rev. Wylie Leigh Kinvolving to Miss Annie Laurie Pitt, daughter of Rev. R. H. Pitt, editor of the Religious Herald and pastor of the Ashland Baptist church.

Mr. Kinvolving is the rector of the Episcopal church in Barton Heights. He is a brother of Rev. Arthur Kinvolving of New York, and brother of Bishop Kinvolving of that city. Mr. Pitt is widely known for her beauty and cleverness.

Much interest also attaches to the announcement just made of the coming wedding of Milton E. Elliott of Norfolk to Miss Lucy Hamilton Cooke of the University of Virginia. Miss Cooke is the daughter of John Bowdoin Cooke, and Mr. Elliott is the son of Warren G. Elliott.

M'CUE POLICY IS VOID.

Noted Case Is Decided in Favor of Life Insurance Company.

Lynchburg, Va., Nov. 25.—Judge McDowell, of the United States District Court of Western Virginia, in the case of the estate of J. Charlotte McCue, who was hanged in Charlottesville for murder, against the Northwestern Life Insurance Company for the payment of the \$5,000 insurance policy on the life of the executed man, holds that the company is not liable for the face of the policy, as payment under such conditions would tend to encourage crime.

Accepts Call to Davis, W. Va.

Cumberland, Md., Nov. 25.—Congressman George A. Pearre has formed a law partnership with Irvine R. Dickey, formerly of Baltimore, who is attorney to the board of Allegany County commissioners. Mr. Dickey owes the latter appointment to Col. Pearre's influence. Mr. Dickey is related to W. Davis Cross, of the legal department of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

Scheme to Escape Mother-in-law.

Cumberland, Md., Nov. 25.—Charles Helfert, aged twenty-three, of Luke, this county, attempted to commit suicide at his home to-night after a quarrel with his mother-in-law by shooting himself.



AT SLOAN'S GALLERIES 1407 G Street, Near Treasury Department. THIS WEEK John Kimberly Mumford Of 523 Fifth Avenue, New York, AUTHOR OF "ORIENTAL RUGS" (SCRIBNERS) Will Offer at Public Sale in The Sloan Galleries, 1407 G Street An Extraordinary Collection of ASIATIC FLOOR COVERINGS Comprising more than 700 pieces, representing practically every weaving district in Asia. The collection presents AN IMMENSE RANGE of colors, sizes, shapes, and textile qualities. On Exhibition TO-DAY AND TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26 AND 27. The sale will begin on WEDNESDAY morning and continue on FRIDAY, NOV. 30 (omitting THANKSGIVING DAY), and on MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3d, 4th, and 5th, 1906, with two sessions daily. Mornings at 11 o'clock. Afternoons at 3 o'clock. Mr. Mumford will be in attendance during the sale to answer any questions regarding the rugs, and on TUESDAY afternoon, the second exhibition day, will deliver A LECTURE ON RUGS. Tickets or Catalogues Will Be Mailed on Application to C. G. SLOAN & CO., Auctioneers, 1407 G St.

OTTAWA IS QUOTING DAISH SPECIAL TRAIN FOR CONVICTS COAL ENOUGH FOR CENTURIES

Washington Attorney Roundly Criticized District Government.

Federal Prisoners from Many Jails on Handcuffed Excursion.

No Fear of the Supply Soon Becoming Exhausted.

Geological Survey Officials Laugh at Fears That Fuel May Become Scarce in Few Years.

Transferring from Northern Penitentiaries to New Federal Prison at Atlanta, Ga.

Stand Firmly by the Views He Expressed in Private Letter.

Taken to Task by Citizens Here, He Stands Firmly by the Views He Expressed in Private Letter.

Robert V. Ladow, of Massachusetts avenue and Thirteenth street, who has been in Boston during the last week arranging for the transfer of nine Federal prisoners to the new government prison at Atlanta, Ga., is not expected in Washington until to-morrow, and will almost immediately leave for the South with his charges, on the unique special train which will bear them and many companions from other Eastern points to their new prison home.

This train, the greatest convict train ever known in the history of the country—and probably that of the world—will contain government prisoners of many types and from many cities. It will pass through Washington to-morrow; but before reaching this city it will have taken on contingents received from State prisons at Sing-Sing (now Ossining); Auburn, Dannemora, also known as Clinton prison, in the heart of the Adirondack wilderness; Trenton, Moansens, Charleston, Pittsburg, Baltimore, and other places of confinement.

Government prisoners may not be confined at State institutions when there are accommodations for them in Federal prisons, and for this reason the Atlanta prison has been built, and is now to receive a goodly population of desperate characters and mild-mannered outcasts from the various States which have here, before sheltered them.

The Boston party, in charge of Mr. Ladow, includes Thomas M. Bram, former mate of the bark Herbert Fuller, twice convicted of three murders on the high seas, besides a quartette of notorious counterfeiters, Fred B. Wilson, John Davis, Edward B. Vignin, Louis Berkwith, and Morris Levenson. Others in his charge are James F. Blake, Frank Webb, and John Teban, whose little specialty used to be the robbing of country post-offices, until the secret service men put them out of the way.

Fifteen convicts will come from Riverside, near Pittsburgh, among whom is one by the name of Miller, formerly cashier of a bank at Chaysville, Pa. Miller's time is nearly served, and he has made objection to being removed to Atlanta.

The train itself presents a most unusual spectacle, and extraordinary precautions are taken to guard against an outbreak on the part of the desperate characters comprising the major portion of its passenger list. Guards armed to the teeth are omnipresent—about one to every three prisoners, while the latter are handcuffed together, and in some cases confined by ankle chains as well.

HELPS POOR PEOPLE SAVE.

Associated Charities Believes in Preparing for Hard Times.

"In time of plenty prepare for want" is the motto adopted by the Associated Charities of Washington.

In speaking of the preparation of the work for the coming winter, Secretary Charles F. Weller, of the Associated Charities, said yesterday that he has been the aim of the eight agents of the association, each one of whom is responsible for a certain section of the city, to acquaint themselves with the conditions of families visited during the summer, so that when winter comes the association can be in position to respond to the more numerous calls for assistance.

Each family and individual is urged during their period of prosperity to save something of their earnings, if it be only five cents a week. An agent of the association makes a weekly collection of the savings, and in this manner \$12,000 was collected during the last year. This money, amounting to three, five, or possibly ten dollars in individual cases, is returned to them when a request is made or necessity demands.

During the year ending June 30, 1906, 9,756 applications were received from or in behalf of needy families. This represents about one-third of the entire population of the District.

The Associated Charities depends entirely upon voluntary contributions, \$15,322.69 being collected last year.

Marines Arrive from Cuba.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 25.—The transport Prairie, with four marine officers and 126 privates aboard, arrived in Hampton Roads to-day from Havana. The detachment formed a part of the forces of the American occupation. Officers and men are reported in good health.

Caught on Bridge and Killed.

Bristol, Va., Nov. 25.—John Moore, a resident of Limestone, Tenn., was run down and killed by a fast passenger train on a bridge near his home.

Officials of the Geological Survey declare that the present generation, the creations need not worry about the coal generation to follow, and still other gen- erality of the United States.

"There is abundance of coal in this country," said one of the survey scientists. "In fact, there is coal to burn for many centuries to come. While it is impossible to make any accurate prophecy I think it is safe to say that the supply in the United States will last for 4,000 or 5,000 years."

The idea has gone abroad in the land that the tremendous consumption of coal in the last twenty-five years threatens to exhaust the supply, and in a comparatively few years a new fuel will have to be invented or discovered to take the place of this product.

"Why, do you know, some people are really worrying about their fuel necessities for next year and the year after," continued the scientist.

Some interesting statistics of the production and consumption of coal in the United States have been prepared by the Survey. Up to the close of the year 1895 the total production had amounted to 24,885,056 tons, and in the following decade it increased to 42,523,104 tons, making the total production up to that time more than 700,000,000 tons. The grand total of coal produced in this country up to 1905 was 8,970,773,751 short tons.

"This great increase in the production of coal, when considered with the increase in the population," says a Survey report, "furnishes some interesting comparisons. Going back for a period of a little over fifty years ago, or to the middle of the last century, and comparing the statistics of coal production with the increased population, it is found that in 1850, according to the census for that year, the production of coal amounted to 6,446,000 tons, when the population of the country amounted to 23,137,978 persons. The per capita production of coal in that year is thus seen to have been 0.278 tons. In 1890, ten years later, the population was 31,433,221 persons, and the coal production amounted to 14,923,104 tons, or an average of 0.514 ton per person."

The per capita consumption has jumped by leaps and bounds ahead of the increase in population.

The report continues: "While the population in 1890 was shown an increase of 230 per cent, the production of coal increased 4,884 per cent."

BETTER CLASSES WANT U. S. TROOPS.

Better Classes Realize Helplessness and Will Urge Retention