Our Poet is Still Hopeful, But Looks Worried

Let us pray-that tomorrow be a rainy day, the maddening crowd to keep away. Rain or shine, let's shop during the less busy morning and evening hours, especially as we profit by the Palais Royal's price attractions during these hours.



Don't give him cigars, and don't give him other doubtful things. Let a man remind you of things selected by a man who knows a man's wants. They are the things you generally find only in the specialty stores at hair-raising prices. Here-in "Tiffany Room"-at the following moderate quotations.

\$1.50 here instead of \$2.25 for his Coat and Trousers Hangers, in best leather case. 35c here instead of \$1 for Leather - covered Case, containing two packs of best Congress Playing Cards. \$1.50 here instead of \$2.50 for best Military Hair Brushes, fitted with warranted bristles. 89c here instead of to-bacco Pouches in the various new styles.

\$3.29 here instead of for best Shaving Mug. Brush and Mirror in leather case.

\$1.50 here instead of \$2.25 for best Traveling Flask, pint size,

59c here instead of \$1 for Best Bevel-plate Shaving Mirror, in best nickel-plated frame

50c here instead of \$1 Best Briar Wood Pipes, in best cases. Various styles.

\$1.50 here instead of \$2.50 for Best Shaving Mirror, in leather case, for the man who

\$1.50 here instead of \$2.50 for Best Combination Collar and Cuff Boxes, of best leath-

\$1.50 here instead of \$2.25 for Bag of best leather, in which he keeps his collars, etc.

Special Prices for Tonight and Tomorrow Morning.

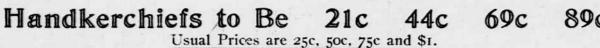


\$1 Scarfs.

\$1.50 Hdkfs.

\$1.50 Mufflers.

Any \$1 Silk Necktie for 89c; any \$1.50 Silk Muffler for \$1.35; any \$1.50 Box of Initial Handkerchiefs for \$1.25. Only for tonight from 5 to 9 o'clock and tomorrow morning from 8 o'clock to midday.



The special prices are only for tonight and tomorrow until midday. None reserved choice of the Palais Royal's tens of thousands of Ladies' and Men's 25c to \$1 Handkerchiefs at 21c to 89c.

15c for Children's 25c Boxes of Handkerchiefs.

The boxes will delight the children as much as will the handkerchiefs. Note that they can be mailed at little cost. Add a Christmas card-a pretty one can be had here for as little as one cent-and you have a good hint of a present for the out-of-town little friend.

\$7.50 Hats, \$3.50.

The Fur Hats have come inand so the other kinds go out at \$3.50. Note the modest prices of

On Second Floor.

Newly Large and Beautiful Silk and Velvet Roses, with foliage. \$1.00 89C

Fancy Feather Sweeps, in navy, light blue, white, black and green. \$1.00 75c values



Give a Veil.

You men-if you knew how much pocket money went in veils you'd have a hint of a pretty good Christmas present.

On Second Floor.

\$1.35 here instead of \$1.50 for Chantilly Lace Veils that are dreams of beauty. Put up in pretty box.

\$1.25 for the Made Veils of Filmy Chiffon, 2 yards in length. Every girl needs one of these.

69c here instead of 75c for the every-day kind of Chiffon Veils, the girl's shopping veil.

Lace Robes Are Finally Reduced.

Note that the prices were reduced when the Robes were moved from the first to the second floor. These reduced prices are again reduced, and finally.

White Robes.			
From	\$35.00	to	\$30.98
From	\$33.98	to	\$29.98
From	\$26.75	to	\$23.98
	\$30.00		

From \$21.98 to \$19.98 From \$25.00 to \$22.98 From \$25.98 to \$22.98.

Second Floor. Out of sight and too

much out of mind here. What a glorious opportunity for those who read and learn. Suitably boxed -as they will be-these robes make superb Christmas presents.

Black Robes.

From \$30.00 to \$27.00 From \$33.00 to \$30.00 From \$35.00 to \$32.50 From \$39.00 to \$35.00

From \$50.00 to \$45.00

From \$60.00 to \$50.00





All Reduced.

The only partial failure in Dolltown-these Dressed Dolls. Perhaps their rich costumes made them too expensive. The reduced -finally reduced-prices will cure that ailment.

88c 98c Were 75c · Were \$1.25 Were \$1.50. Were \$2. Were \$2.98.

\$2.98

\$4.59 Were \$4.98. Were \$7.48.

These Dolls represent all sizes, dressed in all styles of costumes from the simple to the most elaborate. Take elevator to Dolltown-to the second floor-and you'll learn of the best bargains of this year in dolls. But wait-possibly some may think the following are still more

Biggest Undressed Dolls \$1.33 \$1.98 \$2.89 \$3.95 \$4.48 All are to Be Finally Reduced. Were \$1.98. Were \$2.98. Were \$3.98. Were \$4.98. Were \$5.98

Note that biggest dolls means the unusually large dolls, and please note that the previous prices were less than usual for dolls of equal size and beauy. Does it interest the reader to know that children's clothes will fit many of these dolls and that outfits may be selected here in the children's department on Third Floor?

Biggest of Big Teddy Bears They Measure From 14 to 26 Inches.

\$2.25 \$1.48 Were \$7.50. Were \$5.00. Were \$3.00.

The original Margaret Stieff manufacture, each built proportionately, the 24-inch bear being an armful for a big child. Thousands of these bears are here. Arriving in Dolltown, you find them in the trees above you, and on the ground below you. There are white bears, brown bears and cinnamon bears. All the big fellows reduced in prices as quoted above.



\$7.48 for "Her" \$10 Raincoat

Only for Tonight's and Tomorrow's Special Hours.

The Cravenetted Cloth Coat, that belongs to every woman's wardrobe. If you men want to give such coats for presents, you have only to indicate the young woman attendant who is "her" size. We'll find you a suitable box and not charge for a Chrismas card.

\$5 to \$25 Umbrellas at 10% Discount.

What would this discount mean-if you made a selection at the jewelry store or at any of the exclusive stores where prohibitive prices are the rule? It would mean that you would still be paying

10 to 15 per cent more than the Palais Royal's regular prices. Deduct one-tenth from Palais Royal prices and it means from 20 to 25 per cent less than quotations of the jewelry stores.

Initials or Name Free.

Man is mortal—the limit of possibility is being reached. Don't delay selections if you would have initials engraved on umbrella, jewelry, silverware, &c., or if you would have name stamped on pocketbook, card case, Bible, prayer book, &c.

The Palais Royal, A. Lisner, G and 11th.

CALEB POWERS' TRIAL NOT THE WHOLE TRUTH

ination at an End.

ALL FAVORABLE TO HIM CONFLICT IN TESTIMONY

Damaging Evidence.

SEVERE

tary of State Davidson With the Crime-Denials Reiterated.

Special Dispatch to The Star. LEXINGTON, Ky., December 18 .- Be-

fore today's sessions of the court end at Georgetown, Caleb Powers will have com-59c here instead of \$1 for his 3-fold Card Case, with his name stamped in gold. morning he has been on the stand, spending twenty-four hours under examination

by his own attorney and the remainder of by Prosecutor Franklin.

> When he took the stand today Powers ment made by Youtsey in the Louisville jail that Powers and Howard were innocent. Powers declared that Youtsey ty of the statement about Powers admitting writing a letter to Miss Susie Sniffer of Williamsburg, saying he would rather fight than be robbed, in speaking of the mountain army. This was before Goebel was killed. Powers denied that he after-ward gave Miss Sniffer money to leave so as to prevent her testifying. A very small crowd was in the courtroom today.

No Incriminating Evidence.

maintaining that they passed Silver Spring at 6:31 p.m., when the Takoma of-fice was expected to be closed, as opposed Powers has now been on the stand two ays, and although all Prosecutor Frankdays, and although all Prosecutor Franklin's skill has been used in endeavoring to secure from him damaging admissions, not one misstep has Powers made, and

any way with the Goebel murder.

Prosecutor Franklin sprung a surprise by trying to bring out testimony from Powers connecting W. J. Davidson, Powers' assistant secretary of state and former superintendent of public instruction, with the conspiracy, but without avail. Davidson left Kentucky shortly after the murder and his whereabouts are now unknown. Powers swears that instead of giving Henry Youtsey a key to his office, as Youtsey swore, he refused to lend Youtsey the key when he asked for it, alleging that he wanted to hold a meeting in Powers' office. Powers swore that after objection had been raised to the mountain men coming armed to Frank-

to raise a row at the hotel and shoot Goebel accidentally; never talked with him on such a subject; don't know Ed Farmer, and Golden did not tell me he would be a good man to do the job."

VALUABLE JEWELS MISSING. Alleged to Have Been Shipped From

to the police, "a valuable package" was stolen Saturday night from a wagon of the United States Everess Company It the United States Express Company. It was reported but not confirmed at detective headquarters last night that the stolen package contained diamonds valued stolen package contained by a 5th Norris.

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"I got down off the car, pulled out my watch and held my lantern so I could look at it, and as well as I could remember it was about 6:37 or 6:36½," answered Norris. avenue jewelry firm to parties in Washington. It was also said that in shipment the jewels were given only a nominal value, in order to avoid the payment of a high rate for indemnity in-

The robbery was confirmed late last The diamonds, valued at something more than \$30,000, were consigned by the Alfred H. Smith Company to New York society women who are stopping at Washington, D. C. The package was taken from the wagon somewhere between the express company's office, in 39th street, and Communipaw, N. J.

The jewels included an emerald and diamond brooch valued at \$14,000, thirties, other brooches and a number of them. teen other brooches and a number of necklaces and rings. The driver of the

wagon and his assistant told the police that they were unable to account for the package being removed from the wire-Another story credits the shipment to have been made by Smith & Co. to the Washington representative of the firm at the New Willard Hotel.

At the New Willard Hotel today it was At the New Willard Hotel today it was stated that James A. Cheney, to whom the missing jewels are supposed to have been directed, was a guest of the hotel from December 12 to December 14, and that he made a complaint here regarding the failure of the package of jewels to reach him. On the 14th he left for New York to ascertain the trouble.

Mr. Cheney, it was stated by the man-ager of the local hotel, is the representative of the firm who lost the valuable package, and has been a frequent visitor in Washington. No responsibility for the loss, it was further stated, is attached to the local hotel.

Marriage Licenses. Marriage licenses have been issued to

the following: Frank Johnson and Lizzie Wood. Joseph F. Jamison and Nellie Thomas. Theodore Alexander and Margaret

Cronian Matthews and Peggy Crolly. Andrew Holivee and Ruth Toliver. John Bancroft, jr., of this city and Madeline Du Pont of Wilmington, Del. John W. Fortune of Chester, Pa., and Estell M. Turner of this city.
Robert J. Daniels of Rosslyn, Va., and Elizabeth Brown of this city.

William E. Duggins and Hallie E.

Chisholm, both of Taylorsville, Va.

Charles H. Johnson of Winthrop, Mass., and Clara M. Lindberg of Omaha, Neb.

Aldewin S. Lynn and Minnie L. Leary, both of Myrop Va. both of Myron, Va.

David Purches of this city and May G.

Duffin of New York city.

John B. Jordon and Pattie M. Summer-son, both of Bedford City, Va.

Loving.
Theodore Smith of this city and Emma

Butler of Piscataway, Md.

James J. McLaughlin and Mary Agnes Joseph H. Stone of New York city and Rena Eggleston of Kewana, III. Arthur Williams and Anna Copeland. John W. Madison and Sadie G. Carneal,

both of Caroline county, Va.
George E. Jackson of King George
county, Va., and Lucy J. Smith of this James R. Lillard and Sallie B. Finks, both of Madison county, Va. John W. Poore, jr., of this city and Mary A. Jameson of Belalton, Md. Athill I. Fitzgerald and Annie Corn-

The Smelter City Bank of Durango, Col., not to exceed \$100,000.

The Defendant's Long Exam- Indication of Falsehood in Terra Cotta Wreck Case.

Prosecution Fails to Secure Any Difference in Statements as to Signals Shown.

CROSS-QUESTIONING COURT OVERRULES MOTION

Effort to Connect Assistant Secre- Declines to Eliminate Second Count of Indictment From Considera-

tion by the Jury.

Indication that some one is deliberately falsifying in connection with the story of leading up to that catastrophe is being repeated in Criminal Court No. 1 today, Nevitt. The telegraph operators at Silver Spring and Takoma have testified within the past few days, in the presentation of the government's case against Engineer the time under severe cross-examination Hildebrand, Conductor Hoffmeier, Brakeman Rutter and Fireman McClelland, the crew of the extra train that caused the was closely questioned concerning a state- wreck, that the signals shown at the two stations were, respectively, white and red. Members of the train crew were on the witness stand in their own behalf today, waived the question of the truth or falsi- and they just as positively declared that the signals at Silver Spring were double green, entitling them to a clear block to University, with the possible exception of the cross-over at Stotts, and that no signal at all was displayed at Takoma. More than this there was a conflict in the testi-

Contention of Defense.

mony regarding time, the train crew

In his opening statement to the jury Attorney Henry E. Davis, for the denot one iota of evidence has been brought fense, stated that it would be shown out that would tend to connect him in any way with the Goebel murder.

after objection had been raised to the mountain men coming armed to Frankfort, he was advised by Gov. Taylor and former Gov. Bradley to have the western Kentucky men come without arms. Franklin asked by what authority these men were armed, and Powers answered that the bill of rights gives men the right to bear arms openly. He reiterated his denials of any knowledge of a conspiracy to murder Goebel.

"I did not go to the cemetery in Frankfort with Wharton Golden; never did suggest any plan to him whereby Goebel could be killed; did not suggest to him to raise a row at the hotel and shoot

"Baggage Master Testifies."

"Constituted a fatal variance between the two. Evidence in support of the second count is being received in the trial.

Engineer Vermillion, who was in charge of the Frederick local the day of the accident, was the first witness called this morning. United States Attorney Baker, in cross-examining Vermillion, asked him if he did not, while being examined by members of the United States attorney's office, admit that the crews of the two trains had gotten together and agreed to have their testimony agree on all salient points. Vermillion "could not raise a row at the hotel and shoot

Baggage Master Testifies.

Baggage Master Testifies. William A. Norris, who acted as bag-

gage master on the extra 2120, testified first car on the trip toward Washington, and he estimated the speed as the train rolled over the brow of the hill at Silver Spring at about eighteen miles an hour. New York to Parties Here.

NEW YORK, December 18.—According the police, "a valuable package" was but no stored.

New York to Parties Here.

Norris was on the same side of the car as the signal target at Takoma, and he declared he saw only the station lights, but no stored.

On cross-examination United States Attorney Baker asked the witness:
"How fast was 2120 running when it assed Takoma?"
"Twenty-five to thirty miles an hour."

"How fast at Stotts?"
"The engineer slowed down considerably just at Stotts. I think I could have gotten off the engine and boarded the rear car, The speed was about twelve or fifteen miles an hour."

"How fast were you moving when you be car."

"Probably thirty miles an hour." Train Was Drifting.

Taking the witness for redirect examination, Attorney Davis asked Norris if he knew whether the engine was running under steam or "drifting" down the grade from Silver Spring. "Drifting." the witness said.

"How did you know the brakes had been applied at Stott's?'
"I heard the sound of the air being Ralph Rutter, brakeman on 2120 was the first of the defendants to take the stand. He was asked first what happened

at Boyds, and said he had been on the rear platform with the conductor, and he got down to get the clearance card—"Blank B." He received no clearance card, but the operator waved a "goahead" signal with a lantern.

At Silver Spring, witness said, he saw

a green lantern hanging on the mast, but he could not see the target lamp and did not know what color it was. Witness stated the speed of the train was about twenty to twenty-five miles an hour passing Silver Spring, and about thirty miles an hour when the wreck Signals Along the Line.

United States Attorney Baker, in crossexamination, canvassed all of the sta-

tions between Gaithersburg and Terra Cotta with the witness. All the way along the line, the witness said, white signels had been received except at Silver Spring. where he saw one green lantern on the mast. Rutter admitted, however, that some of the targets he had not seen, but that "the engineer would not have gone past if the signals had not been white." witness said he had never known of a flagman stopping a train. Rutter saw no target light at Takoma, but declared he would have stopped the train if he had seen a red light. Asked if he had not said, in a statement to Detectives Parham and O'Brien the day after the accident dent, that the train was running thirty to thirty-five miles an hour in passing Silver Spring and thirty-five miles an hour when the wreck occurred, Rutter declared he could remember making no such statement. The fireman, Ira C. McClelland, testi-

William B. Wilson and Elizabeth Straughn.

Frank T. Jones and Lillian E. Jacobs. Jay G. Coleman and Beulah B. Bogley. Benjamin J. Winger of Sideburn, Va., and Theresa H. Gaskins of Fairfax, Va. Archie Payne of Fauquier, Va., and Maggie Kirkpatrick of Loudoun, Va. Edward C. Schubel and Nora B. C. mitted the train steam and positive language that he saw a double green signal at Silver Spring and called out to Engineer Hildebrand that it was all right. At Silver Spring Mc-Clelland said the train was running after passing the brow of the hill at that point the engineer shut off steam and positive language that he saw a double green signal at Silver Spring and called out to Engineer Hildebrand that it was all right. At Silver Spring Mc-Clelland said the train was running after passing the brow of the hill at that point the engineer shut off steam and positive language that he saw a double green signal at Silver Spring and called out to Engineer Hildebrand that it was all right. At Silver Spring Mc-Clelland said the train was running after passing the brow of the hill at that point the engineer shut off steam and positive language that he saw a double green signal at Silver Spring and called out to Engineer Hildebrand that it was all right. At Silver Spring Mc-Clelland said the train was running after passing the brow of the hill at that point the engineer shut off steam and positive language that he saw a double green signal at Silver Spring and called out to Engineer Hildebrand that it was all right. At Silver Spring and called out to Engineer Hildebrand that it was all right. At Silver Spring and called out to Engineer Hildebrand that it was all right. At Silver Spring and called out to Engineer Hildebrand that it was all right. At Silver Spring and called out to Engineer Hildebrand that it was all right. At Silver Spring and called out to Engineer Hildebrand that it was all right. At Silver Spring and called out to Engineer Hildebrand that it was all right. At Silver Spring and called out to Engineer Hildebrand t clared he noted several of the signals on the way down the line from Washington Junction and called them out to Engineer Hildebrand. He identified the order sheet given to the crew before departure from Washington Junction and the "Blank B" clearance card received at Boyds. Both vere read in evidence by Attorney Davis.

Conductor on Witness Stand. "What time did your train reach

Washington Junction?" Attorney Davis asked in beginning the examination of Conductor Frank Hoffmeier at the session of court this afternoon. "At 4:41," witness answered. He de-

scribed the passing of train 66. Witness said his train started for Washington at 5:28.
"What did you see at Boyds?" Mr.



Thursday's Special Cuts on Best Xmas Footwear

That should irresistibly appeal to each and every Xmas shoppermaking Tomorrow our busiest Thursday of this entire year.

Santa Claus Receives Store from 9:30 to 11 a.m. and from 7 to 9 p.m. Bring the Little Folks

Christmas Candy with Child's Shoes.

Rubber Footwear—at Wholesale Prices For tomorrow to reduce surplus stocks.

'STORM KING" BOOTS. Men's sizes \$3.10 Boys' sizes \$2.45 Youths' sizes \$1.85 Child's sizes \$1.30	"Bay State" Storm Rubbers. Men's 65e Boys 55e Women's 50e Misses' 40e Child's 30e		
Rubber Knee Boots. Men's "Eclipse"	Warm-lined Overs. Storm Alaskas— Men's or Women's		

Our Great Xmas Slipper Sale. Children's

For Men. Pretty Bath Slip-pers, made of Turk-ish toweling cloth.

At 29c, 48c, 95C.
Tan or Black Imitation Alligator Felt

House Slip-48c
sl.25 Grade Soft
Black or Tan, turnsole Opera or Everett Slip- 95c Same in \$1.50 grades for bigger boys, \$1.25 Best \$1.50 grade Romeo, Everett or Opera Slippers, made of soft

kid, calf or \$1.25 20 kinds of Fine Kid-lined \$2 Grade Handsomely styled styled \$1.50 Cavalier, Faust, Romeo or Opera

Misses' and Child's \$1 Brown or Red Felt Fur-75c Little Boys' or Girls' Red or Brown Kid, Kid-lined Romeo or Opera Slip-pers; sizes to 95c

39c to 75c White Jersey, Tan

Women's Turkish or Japa-nese Bath Scuffs, in

pretty colors. At 29c, 48c, 95c

\$1.25 Grade Warm Felt Juliets or Lowcut Silppers, 79c Dan'l. Green & Co.'s Regular \$1.50 Grade Hand-turned

Leggins. Black Jersey-

Pretty Vel- 79c

Dainty Evening Slippers, Pumps and Ties in black, patent or exquisite colors; plain beaded fronts. Heather and plain beaded fronts.

"TEDDY 95c \$1.50 to \$3.50

Felt Juliets or Pad-

ded - sole
"COMFY"
Slippers.....95c

\$2 and \$2.50 Seam-less Felt Juliets, in beautiful colors.

\$1.50 & \$1.95

Other Thursday Xmas Specials.

Overgaiters; all sizes. At 19c

Slippers,

rare leathers, in u

usually beautiful colors and styles,

\$1.95 & \$2.50

Misses' or Little Boys' Durable \$1.25 Grade Laced or Button Boots 95c

\$1.87

four kinds\$1.45 Misses' and Boys' \$2.50 Value Kid, Calf or Patent Colt Regular or Extra High Cut, Shoes; 11 stylish \$1 87

Men's or Women's "SHOE TREES," Brown or Gray Stylish Cloth 48c Boys' or Girls' \$2 Grade Heavy Box Calf Winter Shoes; Boots; 5 stylish \$2.50

Men's \$3.50 Double "FLINT OAK" Soled Winter Shoes, made of stout calf or safe patent colt; eight kinds \$2.85

ator, who waved us ahead with a white SHIPBUILDING COMPANY WINS.

Infants' or Small Child's Kid or Patent Spring-heel or No-heel Boots.... 48c Women's Vici Kid or Gun Metal Calf Blucher or Button

> grade \$1.87 Women's Smart \$4 Dress Boots; 7-but-ton or blucher styles,

Wm. Hahn & Co. 's Cor. 7th and K Sts.

Three Reliable Shoe Houses,

hand-lantern."
"Where were you when your train approached Silver Spring?" "Sitting down on the rear seat in the last coach. "Were you on the opposite side from Rutter?

"Yes."
"What signal, if any, did you see at Silver Spring?"
"Double green."
"What did that indicate?"

"That a train was using the cross switches either at Terra Cotta or Univer-FLOUR INSPECTION.

Commissioners Ask for Authority to

Regulate Sale of Product.

The Commissioners will renew their efforts made last year to obtain the enactment of a law regulating the inspection and sale of flour in the District of Columbla, which legislation W. C. Haskell sealer of weights and measures of the District, declares is imperative to insure the sale of a better grade and better weight of flour in this city.

A bill to this effect was introduced in Congress last year, but was not acted upon. Upon the recommendation of Sealer Haskell the Commissioners have decided to reintroduce the bill at this session with a few changes, the Commissioners say they will urge its early enactment.

The only material change in the bill is in section five, which is amended to make all flour used for food purposes subject to rigid inspection, with the view of ascertaining its condition as to purity. Another change is made to give the flour inspector and the flour commission, who are provided for in the bill, authority to examine not only the flour in question, but

the machinery or apparatus used in separating the impurities. According to Sealer Haskell some of the machinery in use in this city does not remove the impurities common to flour, and which, he claims, appear in flour after it has been in storage for the summer

This bill provides that it shall be unlawful to offer for sale any barrel or sack of flour unless the same be sound, pure, sweet and merchantable and full weight; also that every miller, blender, dealer or bolter of flour offered for sale shall put into a barrel 196 pounds, and into half barrels or half-barrel sacks the quantity of 98 pounds; into so-called 140-pound jute sacks 140 pounds net; and into one-fourth-barrel sacks 49 pounds; into sixteenth-barrel sacks this own request was called upon to withing the sacks the quantity of 98 pounds; into sixteenth-barrel sacks the day when justice should be meted out to the destroyers of his home and at his own request was called upon to withing the sacks the quantity of 98 pounds; into sixteenth-barrel sacks the quantity of 98 pounds; into sacks the quantity of 98 pounds; into so-called 140-pounds the pounds; into sacks the quantity of 98 pounds; into sacks the quantity of 98 pounds; into sacks the quantity of 98 pounds; into sacks 140 pounds the pounds th

made of demi-calf or patent \$3.35

Gets a Verdict Against the United NORFOLK, Va., December 18.-United States Judge Waddill has awarded the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company a verdict for \$4,999 in its action against the United States to recover this amount because of the requirement of John D. Long, then Secretary of the Navy. that the cruiser Charleston, built by the company, should be tested for speed under the new standardization method, when she was built under contract calling only for a test under the old method of four hours' run over a measured course in the open seas.

question is involved in cases of several other war vessels built for the government by the Cramp and Fore River Ship-building companies. The government probably will take an appeal,

This case is important because the same

HIS FLAG HAULED DOWN.

Read Admiral Berry to Be Succeeded by Capt. Gaus. NORFOLK, Va., December 18 .- The flag of Rear Admiral Robert M. Berry, commandant of the Norfolk naval station for the last two years, was hauled down yesterday. The name of the officer will be

dropped from the active list of officers on

January 24. The officers of the station and the ships now here called on the rear admiral to pay their respects and to express regrets at his

Admiral Berry will spend Christmas with his family at his old Kentucky home. He will be succeeded as commandant by Capt. E. W. Gaus, from the League Island yard, at Philadelphia.

Sees Wife's Slayers Die.

TRENTON, December 18 .- Edward Horner, a Camden county farmer, sixty-five years old, witnessed yesterday the death in the electric chair of Charles Gibson and Stephen Dorsey, negroes, who after servant, Victoria Natoli, and robbed his

12½ pounds; into sixteenth-parrel sacks nis own request was called upon to witness the dual execution. He sat unsacks 6½ pounds.

Any person violating or refusing to moved in the front row of seats during the entire proceedings and never permitted his eyes to leave the prisoners after they had been brought into the death chamber.

ness said his train started for Washing-ton at 5:28.

"What did you see at Boyds?" Mr. Davis continued.

"A red light, and we slowed down and been successful as a cigar manufacturer and been successful as a cigar manufacturer Talbot county, Md., has been husked, but received a clearance card from the oper- and was well known in the tobacco trade. is still stacked in the field.