## ROW OVER THE ALAMO.

### Texas Organipation Splits on Care of Famous Structure.

Austin, Texas.—Temporarily, the Daughters of the Republic of Texas is disorganized and one-half of the members will not speak to the other half. It came about over the possession of the Alamo, where Texas soldiers were slain by the Mexicans. Through the efforts of Miss Clara Driscoll, the Alamo was saved and given to the state. An act of the legislature turned it over to the Daughters of the Republic of Texas. Some wanted to build a park and erect a hotel. Everyone had a different plan. At the state meeting here Saturday Miss Adina de Zavala led one faction in a bolt and a separate organization was formed.

## ALLEGED SAFEBLOWER ESCAPES

### Former Superintendent of School Charged with Irregularities.

Peoria, Ill.—Ed. Tate, an alleged safeblower, who was held in this city on the charge of opening the school board safe and destroying the N. C. Daugherty script, escaped from the St. Francis hospital. He had been in the hospital for several days suffering from blood poisoning.

Daugherty, a former superintendent of the Peoria schools, is in prison at Joliet for financial irregularities. The script supposed to have been destroyed by Tate contained, it is said, further evidence of Daugherty's guilt.

## BLACK HAND A PERIL.

### Witness Declares There Are Fifty Branches in United States.

Wilkesbarre, Penn.—At the trial here of thirteen alleged Black Hand conspirators, an Italian witness testified that there were 50 branches of the order in the United States. He said it was almost impossible for a victim sentenced to death to escape. He told of threats to blackmail him, and when he refused to pay his home was dynamited and later bombarded.

### Pittsburg Stricken Again.

Pittsburg, Penn. — Cerebro-spinal meningitis, or spotted fever, is again prevalent in this city. Out of 17 cases during March and April, 11 have resulted fatally and no hope is entertained by physicians for the recovery of the six remaining patients. Poor plumbing and accumulation of filth, with poor ventilation is the cause of the epidemic, according to the health authorities.

### Inspecting Their Fleet.

St. Petersburg, Russia.—The minister of marine will go to Libau April 28 to inspect the training squadron, composed of the battleships Czarevitch and Slava, and the cruiser Bogatyr, to determine whether or not they are in a fit condition to be sent to Hampton roads for the Jamestown exposition. If it is decided to send them, they will go in May.

### Another Lease of Life.

El Paso, Texas.—Richardson, Mason and Harle, the Americans who are under sentence of death at Chihuahua, Mexico, for murder to secure insurance money, were granted another lease of life when the federal court sitting in Juarez, after refusing a writ of habeas corpus, granted an appeal to the supreme court of the Republic of Mexico.

### Prospects More Remote.

Salt Lake City, Utah.—The prospects of an amicable adjustment of differences between the Utah Light and Railway Co. and its men were made more remote when President Bancroft said the company would treat with a committee of the men, but would not treat with any one acting in the capacity of a union representative.

### Granted a Respite.

Columbus, Ohio.—Governor Harris granted a respite to June 7th to James Cornelius, of Canton, who was sentenced to be electrocuted Friday for the murder of his wife. The respite was granted in order to give the attorneys for the condemned man an opportunity to present an application for a commutation of sentence to the state board of pardons.

### 1¾ Per Cent Dividend.

Pittsburg, Penn.—At the quarterly meeting of the directors of the Pressed Steel Car Co., held in this city, the regular quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent was declared on the preferred steel, but no action was taken toward the resumption of dividends on common.

### Strong for Republicans.

Lonsing, Mich.—The official canvass of the votes cast at the state election in April shows republican plurality exceeding 100,000, except in the contests for regents of the university. Supreme Justice W. L. Carpenter led the ticket with a plurality of 111,991.



## STUDENT MADE HIS POINT.

### No Doubt the Policeman Understood What He Meant.

W. H. Mallock, the well-known English writer and political economist, said at a dinner in New York, apropos of a new definition of socialism: "I find that definition rather confusing. It reminds me of the young Oxford student's badinage with the policeman. 'Officer,' said the youth late one night, 'I'd like to ask you a question.'

"'Very well, sir.'

"'Does the law permit me to call you an ass?'

"'You move on,' the officer growled.

"'But stop a bit,' continued the youth. 'Does the law permit me to call an ass a policeman?'

"'The law don't say nothing about that,' was the gruff reply.

"'Then,' said the youth, 'good-night, Mr. Policeman.'"

### Fighting with Ants.

The Indians of the Mauritius dispose of termites, or white ants, in this manner: When they see their covered way approaching a building, they drop a train of syrup from this way to the nearest nest of black ants. The first ones that see the syrup follow it up till they reach the termite passage. They return to their nest, and in a few hours a black army starts out for the white ant stronghold. With great fury they rush into the galleries, and in a short time entirely destroy the enemy, and each one, on its way home, carries a dead termite, probably to eat.



The archdiocese of Cologne, Germany, is the largest in the world, with a Catholic population of more than 2,000,000.

## "THE MARRYING SQUIRE."

### Justice Geo. E. Law, of Brazil, Ind., Has Married 1400 Couples.

Justice Geo. E. Law, of Brazil, Ind., has fairly earned the title "The Marrying Squire," by which he is known far and wide, having already married some 1400 couples. Ten years ago he was Deputy County Treasurer. "At that time," said Justice Law, "I was suffering from an annoying kidney trouble. My back ached, my rest was broken at night, and the passages of the kidney secretions were too frequent and contained sediment. Three boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills cured me in 1897, and for the past nine years I have been free from kidney complaint and backache."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

### Coach Horses Join Fox Chase.

They had some spirited horses in the old coaching days. Just 100 years ago a remarkable proof of this was given, and fortunately recorded for the astonishment of later motoring generations, in the case of the Liverpool mail coach. Horses were changed at Monk's Heath, between Newcastle-under-Lyme, says the London Tribune.

On this particular occasion a pack of foxhounds was heard in full cry just as the horses from Congleton were freed from the coach, and they started off with the harness on their backs and followed the run to the finish. One of them, a blood mare, stuck close to the whipper-in and took every jump after him through the two hours. And in the evening they took the return coach to Congleton as merrily as if they had been in the stable all the time.

### Has Record of Bad Luck.

J. M. Scanlan, a well known writer of San Francisco, poses as the most unlucky man on the Pacific coast. He has established 13 dailies and weeklies in California that have failed. He says that every check he receives either is unsigned or undated. The one lucky event of his life occurred while he was a private in the confederate army. While kneeling behind a low earthwork a cannon ball struck the top of the embankment, covering him with dirt and debris. "If I had been an upright young man I would have been killed," he reported, saluting his superior officer. Friday he regards with much suspicion.



### Drew Copious Floods of Tears.

A physician in Portland, Ore., estimated that 2,048 teaspoonfuls of tears, or two gallons in all, were shed in one night by the audience that heard Savage's "Madam Butterfly" in that city recently.



### Most Difficult of Artist's Studies.

B. W. Leader, R. A., considers that to an artist clouds are the most difficult of all studies.



### Cereal Crop Worth $2,000,000,000.

The United States cereal crop of 1906 aggregated 5,000,000,000 bushels, valued at $2,000,000,000.



### Pleased with the Prospect.

Her Suitor—I wish to marry your daughter, sir.

Her Father (sternly)—My daughter, sir, will continue under the parental roof.

Her Suitor—Well, sir, the parental roof looks good to me.



### Youthful Head of State.

The Hon. Richard McBride, premier of British Columbia, whose government has emerged successfully from a general election, is the youngest prime minister in King Edward's dominions. He is only 36, and he achieved the premiership four years ago, after having held a subordinate office as minister of mines.

### Probably He Is Not.

W. Bourke Cockran at a St. Patrick's day dinner told a story of an Irishman who was talking about the case of Baring Gould, whose obituary was recently printed by mistake, Mr. Gould still being happily in circulation: "So," said the Irishman, "they've printed the funeral notice av a man that ain't dead yet, hov they? Faith, an' it's a nice fix he'd be in now if he was wan o' thim people that belaves iverything they see in the papers."

### English Ribbon Trade Flourishing.

The English ribbon trade is said to be now in a more flourishing condition than it has been in many years, owing to the huge demands the dressmakers and milliners are making upon the output of the manufacturers.