Minneapolis News.

NORBECKIS ON TRIAL

Motion to Quash Indictment Against Police Officer Is Turned Down

CHANGE OF VENUE DENIED

Attorney for Defendant Files Aftle davit of Prejudice Againts Republican Judges-Entire Day

Spent in Argument.

The trial of Chris. Norbeck, the plain clothes man, who is charged with receiving a bribe, was taken up in the district court yesterday, hefere Judge impson. W. W. Erwin and Henry S. Mead appeared before Judge Simpson, and presented affidavits of prejudice against the four Republican judges of the district bench.

The affidavits alleged prepared without going into detail, Judge Simpson refused to listen to arguments and sentishe case up to Judge Harrison. W. W. Erwin then asked for further time to prepare affidavits of prejudice against Judge Harrison individually, but his request was denied. An attempt was then made to quash the indictment on the ground that Norbeck had appeared before the grand jury and was given to understand that if the taid all he knew he would be

granted immunity from arrest.

In defense of this motion a detailed sworn account made by Norbeck was read, giving all the dathe incident to his being summoned by the grand jury, and what had happened. This report took up the entre forenoon, and court yas adjourned at 2 o'clock.

Judge Can't Hear Irwin.

Immediately upon reconvening the court at 2 o'clock the defense made a second attempt to secure a change of venue on the grounds of prejudice of Judge Harrison. The court refused to allow the affidavit to be filed. The judge said:

"The affidavit is false in every par ticular, and will not be allowed to be filed for the reason that defendant has already filed one affidavit and has thus

exhausted his right."

The entire afternoon was spent in argument on motions to quash, and on demurrers, and exceptions to the indictment. The defendant also wished to have the proceedings of the grand jury brought into court to prove their conbrought into court, to prove their con-tention that Norbeck could not be proper-ly tried on the charge, because he had been a witness before that body. This the court refused to do. case is continued over until next

AMES OUT OF MAYORALTY RACE.

Accepts Position of Medical Superintendent of Hotel at West Baden.

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Mayor Ames will, in a few days, formally announce his intention of withdrawing from the mayoralty race this fall. At least that is his intention at the present time. He will connect himself with the new hotel that is now being built at West Baden, and will become medical superintendent.

It is expected that he will assume his new deties about Aug. 1. He will continue to act as mayor of Minneapolis intil his present term expires. His new position will not require so much of his attention but what he can attend to his duties here as well as those which will devolve upon him at West Baden. These matters have all been arranged in advance.

He has taken \$2,000 worth of stock in he new hotel. The sum he invested, he says, was realized from the safe of his mother's homestend.

It is rumored that the mayor intends to spring a surprise which will be in the form of a resignation from the office of mayor.

mayor.

The strong supporters of the present mayor are all at sea now, and they do not know which way to jump, as they all want to pin their faith on the candidate most likely to win out in the coming

SAMUEL SCHAEFER FOUND GUILTY.

Charge Against Him Was for Receiving Stolen Property,

A pawnbroker has been convicted by a Hennepin county jury for receiving stolen property. Samuel Schaefer was the defendant in a suit that lasted two days. The charge against him was based on the purchase of thirty-six fountain pens that had been stolen from the Minneapolis Dry Goods company. The jury was out but seven minutes when they brought in a verdict of guilty.

Dr. O. K. Richardson Is Elected to

stitute closed its three-day session yes-terday afternoon. The general subjects discussed yesterday were sanitary sci-ence, anatomy, pathology, gynecology

ence, anatomy, pathology, gynecology and surgery.

The officers elected to serve the organization for the ensuing year were as follows: President, Dr. O. K. Richardson, Minneapolis; first vice president, Dr. A. E. Comstock, St. Paul; second vice president, Dr. George P. Connolly, Rockford; treasurer, Dr. Martha Koch, Minneapolis; secretary, Dr. Henry C. Aidrich, Minneapolis.

ELK FAIR PROGRAMME COMPLETE Each Day of the Meeting Given Spe-

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Each day of the Elics fair, June 2-14, has been given a special designation. The committee on openial features yesterday completed the list. The Jays will be ramed and featured as follows:

Monday—Opening day. Flight of homing pigeons. Parade.

Tuesday—Ladies' day. Souvenirs, Wednesday—St. Paul day.
Thursday—Wedding day, Friay—Eagles' ay.
Saturday—Children's day. Baby afternoon and evening. Drawing for pony. Monday—Fiks' day and parade. Tuesday—Fraternal day.

Wednesay—Minnesota 2y.
Thursday—United Commercial Travelers' day.

ers' day.

Friday—Minneapolis day. Wedding day.
Saturday—Ellery's Marine band.
Between 100 and 200 balloons were turned adrift in the upper regions shortly after 8 o'clock last evening from all parts of the city, and then ensued a lively race of small boys and old neen to capture the prizes attached to the floaters. Each balloon contained an creder for two tickets of admission to the fair.

ROASTING IN LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT

Temperatures of 90 and 100 in the Upper Peninsular of Michigan.

MARQUETTE, Mich., May 22.—The hottest weather in May for many years was experienced in the Lake Superior district today. At Marquette the mer-cury touched 90. At Ishpeming 100 was the maximum.

FOR HINDRANCE OF COMMERCE Great Lakes Towing Company Al-

leges a Conspiracy. CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 22.—The officials of the Great Lakes Towing company have entered a complaint with the local inspectors of steamboats, claiming that the members of the Licensed Tugmen's Protective association in refusing the bandle vessels under content with the to handle vessels under contract with the trust are conspiring to the hindrance or

WEAVER REFUSES INDORSEMENT.

Creates a Furore in Iowa G.A.R. Cir-

cles by His Statement. DES MOINES, Ia., May 22.-Gen. B. Weaver has aroused a sersation in the statte G. A. R. by issuing statements dissenting from resolutions that were adopted which indorsed the policy of the administration in the Philippines. He declares it is a covert attempt to commit ild soldiers to indorsement of the atrocties perpetrated upon the Fillpinos and that thousands of Democrats and Republicans who are veterans do not favor such indorsement.

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The state department elected officers as follows: John Lindt, Councilibiuffs, commander; N. S. Durgin, Cresco, senior vice commander; G. J. Mallison, Fonda, junior vice commander; J. Ames Shafer, Keokuk, medical directer; S. R. Ferguson, Parkersburg, chaplein, Members of the council of administration elected are William Dean, Tipton; H. M. Pickell, Des Moines; W. R. Manning, Newton; R. J. Young, Oelwein; M. E. Davis, Sioux City.

Eighteen delegates to the national encampment were elected, Gen. G. M. Dodge being the delegate at large.

OMAHA, Neb., May 22—The regular sersions of the state encampment of the G. A. R. and auxiliary organizations began today. Tonight occurred a campfire presided over by Judge Satelle, of this city, at which were present Gen. Ell Torrence and other national officers. Gov. Savage was among the speakers.

Hear Papers.

INDINAPOLIS, Ind., May 22.—The sec ond day's session of the Operative Millers' convention was called to order this marning, with O. M. Friend in the chair. Mr. David Chidlow, of Chicago, gave an illustrated lecture on "Nature's Process of Flour Blending." At the afternoon session Mr. Chidlow gave some practical demonstrations of bread baked practical demonstrations of bread baked from different flour streams of one mill, showing that the streams vary in composition of gluten and ash, producing different types of bread, according to the variation of composition.

Prior to Mr. Chidlow's lecture, W. A. Schoebing and S. T. Connelly made demonstrations of washing glutens from different flours and baking them.

Coronation Invitations.

HOMEOPATHS ELECT OFFICERS,
Dr. O. K. Richardson Is Elected to
Serve as President.

The Minnesota State Homeopathic in-

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THE BEST

Two "CREMO" BANDS are of same value as one tag from STAR. "HORSE SHOE." "SPEARHEAD," "STANDARD NAVY." "OLD PEACH & HONEY" or J. T." Tobacco)

UNPEOPLED ISLE

Complete Evacuation of Martinique May Become Necessary

FRENCH ARE PREPARING

Adventurous Legislator Gets Near Enough to Mount Pelee to See and Describe the Vast Crater.

PARIS, May 22.-The government is con sidering the possibility of the necessity arising for the evacuation of Fort de France and even of the whole island of Martinique. The ministers do not believe that any such emergency will arise, but they are taking all the necessary measures to meet it if it does. The minister of the colonies, M. Decrais, cabled to Gov. L'Heurre yesterday instructing him to make all possible arrangements for the embarkation of all the inhabitants of Martinique in the event of circumstances necessitating the evacuation of that isl-

According to the latest advices received here, quiet is restored at Fort de France, and there has been no general exodus of the population, though 1,000 persons have gone to Guadeloupe and St. Lucia, and 3,000 more have removed to the towns and villages in the extreme southern part of the island. Those who remain at Fort de France are calmer.

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A dispatch from Fort de France says the soie idea of the inhabitants is flight. Many of them have become insane and some of the people threw themselves into the sea. The population of the Grand Riviere district is isolated and assistance cannot reach them. There are vague rumors at Fort de France of further disastiers.

MONT PELEE'S PRESENT ASPECT, Legislator Who Measured the Crater

With His Eye. FORT DE FRANCE, Martinique, May 22.—M. Clerc, a member of the legislature of Martinique, who recently explored the vicinity of Mont Pelee, said today:
"I started Friday last for Mont Pelee

by the road leading along the coast from Basse Pointe, and, accompanied by M. Telloame Chancele, chief engineer of the sugar works, I reached a height of 1,235 meters, and ascertained that the present crater is about 300 meters in diameter. On the east it is overlooked by the Morne is Croby the Morne On the east it is overlooked by the Morne la Croix, the culminating point of the isiand, having an altitude of 1,350 meters, which is completely crumbled and mined at its base, as a result of the voicanic action, and might easily collapse. The Morne Petit Bon Homme has an incandescent aspect.

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"In order to make known our presence at the point where we stood, I waved a piece of white cloth, attached to a stick, in the air, which was replied to by a corresponding signal from an inhabitant of orne Rouge, who signalled to me in this manner in order to show that he saw as We felt electric commotions and our shoes were damaged by the heat. The pond which was situated near Morne la Croix, is completely dried up. The iren cross which stood at the foot of the mountain has been melted. Only the base of the masonry on which the cross stood, and the lower part of the foot of the cross can be seen.

"The rims of the crater have very much changed in appearance. The heat where we stood was intense, and the whole aspect of the mountain was terrifying. Stones fell around us and we picked up large pieces of sulphur. The whole spot was charged with electricity, which became so violent that we were obliged to retreat.

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retreat.

"The desent from the mountain was more difficult than our ascent. A blinding rain of ashes fell upon us, and the engineer was nearly killed by a large stone which fell near him. We succeeded in reaching Basse Pointe, on our return, STUDY ART OF FLOUR MAKING

in reaching Basse Points, on our return, after having been four hours on the mountain under the most dangerous circumstances."

The recent rains of ashes and volcanic The recent rains of ashes and volcanic rocks, weighing as much as seventy-five grammes, which have fallen here, caused so much consternation among the inhabitants of Fort de France that large numbers are emigrating to the island of Guadeloupe, where, it is now estimated here, 1,200 people from Martinique have already sought shelter.

TAMMANY CONSUMMATES PLAN

Executive Committee Carries Out the Triumvirate Idea.

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NEW YORK, May 22.—The executive committee of Tammany hall, composed of the assembly district leaders, today adopted two resolutions. The first advised the general committee of Tammany hall to abolish the finance committee. This was adopted unanimously. The second resolution suggested the appointment of a subcommittee of three, to consist of Charles F. Murphy, Daniel F. McMahon and Louis F. Haffen, to constitute an advisory committee with power to act and report from time to time to the executive committee. This resolution was opposed by John Carrell, who offered an amendment that the trirty-seven district leaders be constituted the leaders of Tammany hall. Mr. Carroll's amendment was defeated, 8 to 28. The resolution authorizing the advisory committee was then adopted. The "Oroker old guard" supported the proposed changes. The new advisory committee elected Charles F. Murphy chairman and Thomas F. Smith was appointed secretary. Mr. Smith was formerly Richard Croker's

Real Estate by the Square Inch. NEW YORK, May 22.—A unique real estate transaction has been recorded in this city. It is the purchase for \$200 of forty square inches of ground at Third avenue and One Hundred and Forty-ninth street. The tax is 68 cents a year, but it is expected to bring in \$1,000 annually because its ownership carries the stoop line privileges of five feet on both street, together with vault rights.

Suicide for Trust Victim.

CHICAGO, May 22.—Anton Gunecki, who, it is said, was forced out of busi-ness as a meat dealer when prices took an upward bound a few weeks, ago, has hanged himself as a result. Lord Pauncefote Very Weak. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 22.-The ondition of Lord Pauncefote was report-

ed to be but slightly improved today, and he still continues very weak.

ELKS DECIDE TO BUY FOUR HUNDRED SEATS

Big Coliseum Benefit Show Given Good Lift by St. Paul Lødge.

To show their interest in the Coliseum movement, the local lodge of Elks last right appropriated \$400 with which to purchase tickets for the Metropolitan Monday evening performance of the newspaper men's buritsque company. The Elks will buy the tickets and endeavor to seil them, but falling in that, will give them away. The Coliseum project, however, will receive the full benefit of every ticket taken by the antiered brotherhood. This is a good start and other secret and fraternar organizations may be expected to follow suit, and help make the week during which the newspaper men's show will appear one worthy to be remembered in the annals of St. Paul's coming Coliseum.

PRESBYTERIANS INDORSE NEW CREED

Report of the Revision Committee Adopted, and Now It Goes to the Presbyteries.

NEW YORK, May 22 .- May 22 .- The general assembly of the Presbyterian church today adopted the report of the commit-tee on creed revision making changes in the confession of faith. This action, which was practically unanimous, was taken with little or no debate. The changes proposed will now go to the varisbyteries for ratification.

the motion to adopt the report. Rev. Dr. Henry C. Minton, chairman of the revisamittee, spoke for the report. Rev. Fleming G. Railey, of K. simmee, Fla., opposed revision. "I am against the adoption of the report." he said. "I have

adoption of the report." he said. "I have never found any difficulty with the old standards. They have lighted the way for me and mine across the river, all the way. I feel that this revision is but the entering wedge, and how far it will go no one can tell." Here the speaker broke down and wept.

The question was then put and the resolution, ordering the report published, was carried, with only two dissenting votes.

The motion for adoption of the supplementary statement was made by Dr. Minton and carried after some discussion. Then the session closed.

At the afternoon session Rev. Dr. D. Stuart Dodge, as chairman of the standing committee on temperance, presented the report of that committee. The committee brought in different recommendations.

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The general assembly was called upon to reaffirm the former declaration of the church, laying special stress on total abstinence on the part of its members and entire separation from any affiliation with the liquor traffe. The presbyterian committees to systematically bring the matter of intemperature to the attention of the churches.

It was suggested that he general assembly, through the permanent committee on temperance memorialize congress to enact laws prohibiting the sale of liquors in the old soldiers homes. United States public buildings and immigration stations. The action of railroads and corporations, in demanding total abstinence as one of the qualifications for employes to whom the safety of numan life is entrusted, was commended. The general assembly was called upon to express itself through propagands, against the anti-prohibition crusade begin by the Liquor Dealers National Protective association. Adjourned the tomorrow.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 22,-The PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 22. The forty-ninth annual conference of the general syuod of the Reformed Presbyteriar church held its first business session today. Rev. J. B. Crawford, of Waynesburg, N. Y., was elected moderator, Rev. Prof. James Y. Boyce, D. D., Philadelphia, stated cierk, and Rev. John H. Kendall, Tarentum, Pa., assistant stated cierk. Rev. James Steele, of New York, presented the report of the special committee appointed by the last synod to raise funds for the India mission field and it was approved. The synod will be in session for a week.

TWO ARE KILLED IN AN ELECTRIC STORM

Many More Injured by Lightning and Heavy Winds in Northwestern Ohio.

TOLEDO, Ohio, May 22.-A terrific electrical and windsterm passed over Northwestern Ohio this afternoon. Two persons were killed, one fatally injured and many others less seriously injured. Much damage was done in the oil fields. The dead are: HENRY JUALTMAN, a farm hand, at

ISADORE METZGER, aged twenty-five, oll man, at Delphos.

Metzger and five companions were to a barn which was struck by lightning. Marcus Suver was fatally injured and Lee Beckman, William Webber, Nicholas Sarber and Garrett Wienken were in-

SIX HUNDRED CARS BURNED AT BUFFALO

New York Central Transfer House Destroyed, With a Loss of \$600.000.

BUFFALO, N. Y. May 23.—Fire which stated about minight destroyed the transfer house of the New York Central at the East Buffalo stock yards. Six undred cars were destroyed. Most of them contained valuable merchandise. William Lester, a switchman, was killed by falling timbers. The loss is estimated at \$600,000.

GERMANS OF DUBLIN AND PRINCE HENRY

Former Allege That His Highness Slighted Them by Refusing Their Address.

LODON, May 22—General surprise has been caused by a slight which Prince Henry of Prussia is alleged to have offered the Germans of Dublin, who had prepared an address of welcome to him on his recent visit to that city.

The chief of staff notified the delegates that the address could not be received by the prince personally, adding that they were welcome, however, to leave the document on board the flagship. The Germans then declined to take the address on board the warship, and expressed regret at the prince's decision.

The electric arc between iron poles, which has the peculiarity of a crater, but slightly luminous, is proven by A. Broca and A. Chatin to be specially adapted for medical use on account of the great intensity of the actinic rays as compared with the heat rays. This makes it possible to bring the diseased part within four inches of an arc of twenty amperes and thirty-five volts. In nine cases of lupus an exposure of fifteen minutes produced marked effect, and twenty-four hours afterward the lupus nodules were much changed, while the healthy skin was unaffected.

ON EVE OF PEACE IN SOUTH AFRICA

Evidence Filtering Through Londen That Arms Will Soon Grounded.

LONDON, May 23 .- The Daily Chronicle this morning claims authority to say that peace in South Africa is practically assured. This is also the general impression with the other newspapers and the public.

Late last night the government depart

ments declined to give any information on the matter. It is understood that important dispatches were received yes-terday from Lord Milner, the British high commissioner in South Africa, and from Lord Kitchener. The fact that the cabinet was sum-

moned so quickly after the arrival of the delegates at Pretoria is regarded as a good augury, as the discussion at Preday. The cabinet will meet late this

A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph rom Pretoria says that the Boers are seeking permission to retain their horsos. Cabling from Pretoria under date of Wednesday, May 21, the correspondent of the Times says the Boer meeting there is not necessarily final, and it is believed the Boer delegates after obtaining information on certain points will ing information on certain points, will eturn to Vereeningen

The Daily Mail this morning says it understands that owing to the protracted haggling of the Boer leaders at Pre-toria, Great Eritain has presented them what is practically an ultimatum, which

bis practically an ultimatum, which it is expected they will accept.

Dispatches received here from Pretoria, continues the Daily Mail, say that during the stay of the Boer delegates there, the conference will continue at Vereeningen, and that a majority of those present at the conference are try-It was Rev. James D. Moffat who made ing to persuade the recalcitrant minority into a unanimous vote. In the meantime the British columns have been resting and refitting and are now all ready for immediate action.

IS THE BOY KING OF SPAIN DEGENERATING?

Alfonso Says He Doesn't Like Rull Fights, and Favors Horse Races as a Substitute.

MADRID, May 22.—Dr. J. L. M. Curry and Mrs. Curry leave Madrid tonight for Paris, where Dr. Curry is to make a speech at the Rochambeau banquet on

Paris, where Dr. Curry is to make a speech at the Rochambeau banquet on Saturday nxt. Dr. Curry is delighted with the treatment which he received throughout his stay here.

Mrs. Curry was upset by the scenes which she witnessed at the bullight yesterday, but she had previously had a farewell audience with the queen mother and donated a thousand pesetas to the rree education fund. The gift was highly appreciated in official circles.

The king last evening, speaking to a foreign diplomat, asked him how he affect the bull fight. The diplomat confessed that it made a disagreeable impression upon him.

"It is cruel," replied the king, "an I do not like it myself. I would like to introduce horse racing as a substitute."

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

Electricity for stimulating the growth of cereals, vegetables and other plants has been tried in many experiments by Dr. Selim Lemstrom, the Norwegian investigator. On arable land of medium quality an increase of 45 per cent in the crops has been obtained, but the increase is greater in proportion to the care in cultivation. The effect is trifling on poor soil. The electric current proves injurious to most, if not all, plants in hot sunshine, and such plants as peas, cabbages and turnips are favorably influenced only after watering. Estimates of cost lead Dr. Pringshelm to conclude that electricity in agriculture will pay.

The biological stations of the New England coast have solved the problem of artificial lobster culture. Several thousand of the young fry are put into a cylindrical scrim bag, about three feet in diameter and four feet deep, and the water in the submerged bag is constantly agitated by a dasher driven by a gasoline engine. This prevents the fry from smothering or drowning one another, at the same time keeping their food of soft clam fragments within reach. In nine to sixteen days from the eggs the creatures are able to take care of themselves, this stage being reached by 16 to more than 40 per cent of the fry, although no previous experiment had 1 per cent of survivors. The fish hatcheries can now save the lobster industry.

Our sense of smell is explained by Crookes as due to "electrons," or chips of atoms, such as are given off by radium, and which affect the retina as well as the olefactory nerve. Smell is nearly lost in civilized man. A French writer suggests that our sensityeness to odors will be increased by some instrument analagous to the telescope, and then a new era will open.

Butter from sterilized cream is now made on a large scale in Sweden and Denmark.

Burns from Roentgen rays, now recognized as a real effect, have some curious features. Dr. E. A. Codman, citing nearly 200 cases, notes that the burns resemble sunburn, but that they may extend much deeper, the body being transparent to these rays. The burns do not usually appear immediately, most often developing in about ten days, though sometimes delayed for months. Some persons are very susceptible, others are not affected in any way. Injury may be avoided by interposing a thin grounded sheet of aluminum, or by keeping the time within safe limits, and it is concluded that an exposure of five minutes at a distance of ten inches—can do no harm. Not least singular is the apparent cumulative action, a number of successive safe exposures of the same surface seeming to be as dangerous as a single long exposure. gerous as a single long expor-

The new sewage disposal scheme of a German chemist, Erich Springborn, is the conversion of the solid matter into blocks for fuel. This fuel is reported to be smokeless and to burn without disagreeable odor, and the cost of the process would be covered by the sale of the blocks at a moderate price for burning under steam bollers. The sewage is so thoroughly sterilized that the liquid portion can be safely discharged into any river.

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SAPOLIO

A lately completed list of fungi gives the total known as 52,157, not less than 4.853 species and varieties having been added since August, 1839.

The available coal yet stored in the The available coal yet stored in the earth in Germany is estimated by Prof. Ferdinand Fischer, of Gottingen, at 160,000,000 tons; in England only \$1,500,000 tons; in Beigium, Austria-Hungary and France, about 10,000,000 tons acan. The store of Russia is but imperfectly known. North America can produce \$31,000,000 tons, and Baron von Richthofer has stated that China has a supply nearly as great. Japan, Borneo and New South Wales have considerable coal; Africa, an unknown quantity. Germany's coal should last another thousand years, but higland's supply will begin to show signs of exhaustion within fifty years. In the United States the production has increased from about 5,200,000 tons in 1891 to nearly \$5,000,000 in 1361.

The importance of designing fly-wheels so as to offer the least possible resistance to the air has been lately shown. In tests at a Nurnberg electric station, a fly-wheel driven at ninety-five revolutions per minute by engines of 450 horse-power was found to require about 15 horse-power to keep it in motion, and this was reduced about 5.7 horse-power by covering the channeled arms with sheet from. The saving of 1.2 per cent of the power of the engines was equivaof the power of the engines was equiva-lent to about \$270 yearly. In another test the result was even more surprising, and a 630 horse-power engine showed a saving of 30 horse-power, or 4.8 per cent of the total, when a suitable fly-whe, i covering was used to lessen the friction.

The last discovered and most distant of great planets, Neptune, extended the solar system more than 100,000,000 miles. Prof. George Forbes is seeking an even more distant planet, so confidently that he has actually named it Victoria, and he expects that it will be found about 16,000,000 miles from the sun.

A peculiar snow observed on Mont Malet, in the Alps, has been reported by M. A. Brun. It is called "Caucasian snow," and is very porous. The slight adhesion of these grains gives great liability to avalanches.

ALASKA MAY BE DIVIDED.

Senate Committee Reports Favora bly Upon Measure.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 22.-Sena washington, b. C., may 22.—Sena-tor Simon, from the committee on the judiciary, today reported favorably the bill redividing the territory of Alaska into three judicial and recording districts. Senator Beveridge introduced a bill to give the territory of Alaska a delegate

Scranton Coal Supply Is Out. SCRANTON, Pa., May 22—All of the ten washeries in this region that had continued working after the strike was leclared, were closed down today, and low there is no coal either being mined or washed. The companies state this lotton was taken to avoid a repetition of the violent scenes of the last few days to Olymbert Cork Lare and Smithytile. of the violent scenes of the last less at All at Olyphant, Cork Lane and Smithville

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Former Judge Pimbrick, of Arizona, while visiting a New Yorker a few weeks ago, related an amusing experience which he had in his younger days when presiding over a police court in a Southwestern town. His story was something like this:

"One morning an Irish policeman brought a man named Sisson up for trial. The man stuttered badly, and when I asked his name he stammered out, "S-s-s-sis," and then gave it up.

"Again I asked his name. "S-s-s-sis," the same futile attempt.

"After a few more efforts to obtain his name, which called forth more 'sisses,' I turned impatiently to the policeman and asked: "What is this prisoner charged with, officer?

"I don't know for certain, yer 'onor,' he replied, his eyes twinkling, 'but I suppose it must be soda water,' "—Chicago Tribune.

Too Quiet for Him.

I was stopping for the night in the cabin of a Kentucky mountaineer, and soon after midmight I was aroused by a kneck on the door. It was a one-room house with three beds in it, and I saw the roomanier get out of bed and reach for his rifle.

"Did someone knock?" I asked as he moved toward the door.

"Someone did, ctranger," he replied.
"But what are you doing with that gun?"

"Gwine to open the door, of co'se. Yo' are out of range and ne-dn't be afraid."

He moved to one side of the door, made ready with his gun and then raised the wooden latch. The instant the door swung open a charge of buckshot was fired into the room, but they flew across it and buried themselves in the opposite wall. A second later the mountaineer fired at someone in reply, and I heard the footfalls of a man running away.

"Did yo' git him?" asked the wife in gareless innes.

"Reckon not."

"Shoo! That's pore shootin'. Come along to bed."

Next morning I asked the man who bid midnight visitor was and why he beds.

Next morning I asked the man who hi-midnight visitor was and why he had attempted murder.
"Dunne," he replied in answer to both

"Punno," he replied in answer to both question.
"But does it happen very offen?"
"Not skassly, sah-not skassly. I've bin livin' yere in this cabls gwine on three y'ars, and I don't reckon that thing has happened over twenty times hefo' It's sleh a mighty penceful nayborhood around yere that I'm thinkin' of movin into some of the lively countles."

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A few weeks ago his majesty. King Edward VII., paid a visit to his daugnter, the Duchess of Fife at Brighton, and unfortunately, the little children werd unusually provish and thresome—in fact, they seemed utterly oblivious of the fact that their august grandfather had come to pay them a visit.

"The little ones are rather hard to please today, are they not?" remarked his majesty somewhat good-naturedly; for he is very fond of his daughter's children.

"Indeed they are:" replied the duchess, with a sigh, "I don't know what's come over them."

"Now," said King Edward, "what can I do to amuse them before I go?"
Her royal highness immediately grasped the situation.

"Oh," she said, "how good of you! They love skipping, and if you would not mind skipping with them for half an hour in the garden they would be so delighted."

His majesty afterwards related the story to the Prince of Wales, and, with a twinkle in his eye, remarked: "I certainly skipped, but not in the garden."—

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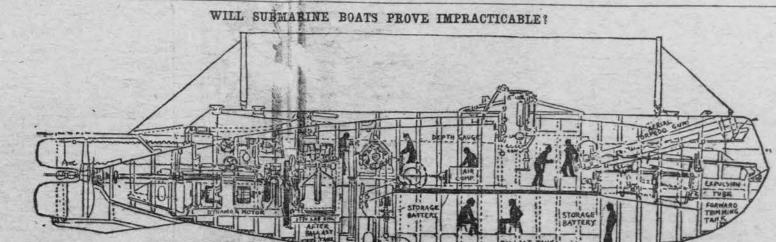
Prefers to Begin With Punishment, Little Prince Eddle, eldest son of England's new Prince of Wales and heir to the English throne after his father, displays great sturdiness of character. He has a profound dislike for arithmetic, and shares the opinion of the bard who laid down the axiom, "Multiplication is vexa-tion."

tion."

Many times has the future king of Edgland been "put in the corner" owing to this, and recently, when he saw the hated preparations of slates and arithmetic books being mado to start the day's leasons, he are se from the table with a sigh for the impending inevitable canastrophe and said quietly to his tutor;

"I don't think I'll do 'rithmetic today; I think I'll go into the corner again instead, if you don't mind."

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