SCORES PERISH

Two Hundred Lives Lost in Awful Sea Disaster.

DEAD MOSTLY ARABS

English Steamer Burned Off the Coast of Malta-Fire Apparatus Was Useless-Passengers Trapped and Were Forced to Jump Into the Sea and Drown.

Valetta, Island of Malta, Nov. 28 -A terrible disaster, in which more than a hundred persons lost their lives, occurred at the entrance to this port Wednesday morning. The British steamer Sardinia, of Ellerman Line, hailing from Liverpool and bound for Alexandria, with a crew of 44 Englishmen, 11 first and 6 second cabin English passengers and nearly 200 Arab pilgrims Fireprooffing Company. aboard, caught fire and within a few minutes was a roaring furnace, the flames bursting upward to a height of 200 feet from frequent explosiors in the hold

So rapidly did the fire spread that the frantic efforts of the crew to operate the fire apparatus proyed useless, for it seemed but a moment crashed down upon the deck while the ship's boats were crushed by the falling debris or set fire and quickly burned.

fety lay in the sea, for no one could save himself except by jumping overboard and taking chances of being picked up. Assistance was hurried to the burning vessel from all the war ships in the harbor and strong tide that was running. Even the naval launches were unable to go alongside. Among the Arabs controlled. Many of them were too frightened to jump and they were burned to death. Others, casting themselves into the waver, were

The crew behaved with admirable courage, serving out life preservers to the last and working the pumps. When the pumps became useless, Capt. - Charles Little, commander of the Sarrinia took the helm canddirected his ship towards the shore so long as it could be navigated. He perished at his post:

First Officer Frank Watson, a! three engineers. Seagraves, Hislop and Neill, thirteen of "the ship" company and two first class passengers, one of them a boy named Gran. are missing. Fifty or more bodies have been recovered and seventy persons were rescued. It is impossible at or sent to say just how many were drowned or burned to death; but the number will doubtless far exceed a hundred.

The vessel drifted around, three fimes, and finally was beached broadside on the rocks at the mouth of the harbor. She is still burning and will be a total loss.

The British vice admiral, Sir Asheton, and Curzon-Howe and Admiral Fisher directed the rescuing ing to the estimate made by Comsaving those who were yet alive,

ashore. Capt. Little's body, which was afternoon. The other bodies were also mutilated and burned. Fifty six of the injured are being cared for in the hospitals. One of the rescued passengers gave a graphic account of the disaster.

"The Sardinia," he said, "left Valetta at 8:45 this morning. W could be seen issuing from a ventidid no good. In less than ten minutes flames were streaming out of flames. The Arab passengers were told to leave the hatch, in which they clung desperately, but they refused to move. All who remained

those who leaped into the water. "In the meantime naval pinnaces" hurried to the scene. They could amount ginned after November 14 not approach closely on account of in 1905, to which year 1908 con great majority of the European pas- have a total crop for this year of sengers succeeded in reaching shore. The Arabs, among whom were fogether shricking, and but few of tion's committee considers a fair them would jump overbeard, at one."

though urged to do so. "The ship's boats were rendered useless by the flames and no atten pt was made to get them over the side Soon the hatches were blown off with loud explosions, throwing the Arabs into the air and killing and but to jump overboard."

VOTED FOR TAFT

BUT THEIR WAGES WERE NOT KAISED.

According to Promise and Then Shot Down by Députy Sheriffs Be cause They Struck About It.

Perth Amboy, N. J., Nev. 27. Following a pitched Lattle between 700 strikers and twelve deputy sher iffs Wednesday at the factory the National Fireproofing Company at Keasbey, near here in which six low: of the strikers were shot down, Governor J. Franklin Fort dispatched four companies of the State National Guard, at Trenton to the scene to make the men behave them-

A feeling of intense excitement prevails, as the strikers declare the deputy sheriffs were not justified in ed men are dving here, and the four field and a free fight, 'root hog, or others wounded are painfully hurt. die.' The government can do this. citizens -fear morrow, when the strikers threaten an attack on the plant of the National

For two days there has been ric ing at Keasbey, and a number of manufacturing towns along Raritan river. Two weeks ago th men employed by the Raritan River Jured. When it takes up two at the Clay Company went on strike for higher wages. They marched to the plant of the Perth Amboy Fire Brick Company and induced the men there to go out.

Then each succeeding day . number, marched to other towns t pay would be restored to \$1.50 a day. It now is \$1.35. The officials of th factories deny that such a pronise

The man succeeded later in leaving the factory unobserved and secured that in the early history of the ton planter. In those good old days the food. As he was returning of the strikers caught sight of him attack. The man was not injured Then began a bombardment of referred to and it was stated that grist mill hummed regularly; and window in the factory was smashed Chief Burke says that two of his men were struck by missiles and slightly injured. He restrained his men from opening fire fiftil the laminute, he declares. Matters had become so serious that the deputies were compelled to open fire to pro-

tect themselves, he further says. At least a dozen of the shots were fired point black at the strikers; and ed and fled, leaving the wounded on porary lull in the rioting. The strikers soon returned to the factory They kept at a distance, but it was shooting down of their comrades.

OVER TWELVE MILLION BALES. Commissioner Watson Estimates Cot-

amount to 12,551,086 bales, accord boats, which did gallant work in missioner Watson, of South Carolina and bringing the bodi's of the dead tee of the Southern States Association of Commissioners of Agriculture and Other Agricultural Workers. In terribly mangled, was landed this announcing the estimate, Mr. Watson,

"Our estimates, which is based on elegraphic reports received from al the States save Georgia, whose commissioner is absent from the State dated November 19, and on the gin ners' reports of November 14, is 12 51,086 running bales, excluding inters. This conclusion is reached after due allowance for the weather amount of cotton ginned to Noven ber 14, in years when same ginners results were shown, the 1908 croy would be 13,498,879 bales. But con

'itions have not been the same i

amount of cotton for the past fou 14, we would have to add 3,704,15 bales, to the 9,630,563 bales already forward perished, except some of ginned, and get a total crop of 13. 334,157 bales. If we add to the amount already ginned in 1908 the the high seas and falling spars. The ditions closely correspond, we will 12,632,925 bales which, it is seen. closely approximates the estimate of many women and children, clung 12,552,086 beles that the Associa

THOUSANDS CONTRIBUTED.

Treasurer Ridder of Democratic Committee Files Report.

Albany, N. Y., Nov. 26 .- Herman injuring many of them. After a Ridder, treasurer of the Democratic "-Unquestionably explosions occurr- national campaign which total \$620

WHAT WE NEED

AND HOW THE GOVERNMENT CAN HELP:

Better Foreign Markets, Real Regu-Manufacturing at Home.

Tom Watson, of Georgia, at the meeting of the Farmers' Union in New Orleans recently made a speech from which we make the extract be

"In civilized government there are three great departments upon which prosperity depends. Agriculture is one, manufacturing is another and commerce is another. If the government keeps hands off and merely protects each man in the possession of his property, it is an open or it can protect each and every one of these departments, in which case the result would be about the same as in the first. But when the governthe others, the other two are in- most unwelcom expense of the third, the third languishes and suffers. Analyze this situation and you will begin to reaibackbone of the country.'

Mr. Watson reviewed the history of protection in this country, and declared the manufacturers have not take his dose like a man. only made 8 per cent, but also cleared \$2,000,000,000 besides. He said that the farmer has never asked anything but a free field and a fair fight. and had been denied these; that he had never asked to have other commodities taken to put money in his wn pocket; that no more unselifish on this earth; that when there is a then again, it is apt to interfere will pestilential swamp to drain, the this argument, farmer drains it; that when there are drive back, it was the farmer who tells us, history says every farme tones, during which nearly every the farmers who captured him could the farmers waxed fat and prospnot be bribed.

> We cotton farmers of the South have a monopoly and don't know speaker. The Steel Trust has a monopoly and knows what to do. It sells you plows, and hoes and rakes. and you have to pay the price. The Harvester Trust makes you pay the It is their business to fix the price and yours to pay the price.

> Congress could have said: have broadened your markets; obtained greater mercantile trade by commodity could be exchanged for another on terms fair to both. But and narrowed the foreign markets to the produtcts of the American ag-

mission to France to negotiate a freaty that would have mean the contained a clause favoring the im- thy. 000 a year to the South had to by independence,

sacrificed. In 1907, the sale of cotton abroad ery bale right here?

The high tariff and trust system a surplus. The remedy lies in a lower tariff. Let the foreigner in, reduce the price of American goodincrease the demand for raw cotton for the greater the demand is the greater will be the price. he permanent remedy.

Now-for immediate and temporary That takes it off. The coffee growers were confronted with a situation al most similar to that which new confronts the cotton farmer. Did they swamp the market with their overproduction? No, they put all their surplus in warehouses, raised the price and compelled the consumer to pay for not only what was marketed, but also for what was never sold

Killed by Train.

Covington, La., Nov. 26 .- While few minutes had been spent in trying National Committee, filed with the pasing the station at Florenville, La., towards lifting the mortage. The gressman to send you the latest Govto nut out the fire nothing remained secretary of State Monday this report one car of a Great Northern railroad loss and abuse of farm implements ernment bulletins. Get the best seed. ren Whitmire colored, was arrested of contributions to the Democratic gravel train jumped the track and annually represent a fortune. Hoes, Raise what you can at home. Above here when het appealed to a physicerashed into the depot.

and contributors to the fund. earl negroes were badly injured. The leaky barns with damaged corn dom."

THE WAY OUT

And the Outy Way Out For the Farmer.

lation of Trusts and More Cotton SOME PLAIN TRUIHS

Corn, Wheat and tock Farmers of the West Regulate Prices by Livers Can Do the Same Thing it They Will Try to Do It.

Hon. John M. Parker, of New

Orleans, discussed the methods of

cotton farmers in plain, hard words that evoked much applause during the forenoon of the last day of th Farmers' Union Convention at New Orleans. He spoke as follows: "It is much more pleasant and safe to hand bouquets than it is too throw brick, and, for that reason most speakers at farmers' gathering adopt the former course, and give

feit of flatterly as to make a blunt ment takes up one at the expense of statement of existing conditions "A number of personal experience have satisfied me the majority ar tike children, and prefer a sugarcoated pill to quinine. Sometimes is necessary to give your medicine ize what is the matter with the straight. Due to low prices and the boll weevil, already over a large sec-

tion, and certain to spread further

the time has come for the farmer to

the hardy sons of toil' such a sur

"My excuse for this preface is hav personal favor that you hold up any is finished, as it is decidedly unpleas

"There is no more improvident taxes to pay, the farmer pays them man on earth than the average cotshouldered his musket and did the had his smoke-house packed with The capture of Andre was bacon, his crib filled with corn, th erous.

"Today not one cotton farmer are the only people in the world who ten raises meat. Not one in five raises corn enough to last him, and what to do with it, continued the shameful to say, thousands actually buy the hay necessary to sustain their 'stock.

"Annually now for some years the cotton farmers meet in convention listen-to some good political speech price. And all the time they are es, and occasionally a new joke, then selling in South America and Russia vigorously applaud the fervid oratory at cheaper prices than at home. The denouncing all trusts, and finally or Coal Trust fixes the price of the coat. ganize the biggest kind of a trust t regulate prices, agree to decrease acreage and diversify their crops, to raise what they need at home, and won't burden the agriculturist with be independent of bank, cotton fac-

"Their final resolutions are en thusiastically carried at the convenreciprocity and other treaties. One tion hall, and all conveniently for Three Negroes Arrested Charged gotten, for by the time they return home, they decide to plant a little its policies have caused the other bit more cotton, and they keep or in the same old way.

"Do you ever hear the whea conventions to 'regulate prices?' Not entry into that country of componeed debt, then agks the value of his proproducts from the South, valued at duct and holds it until he gets it.

have been affected, and so \$20,000 he will never realize his dreams of the negroes because of the feeling

"Have you ever thought that in the great chain of the credit system and colicky mules are a disgrace. cotton was manufactured and ship important links? How the tenant as abused as cotton. It is improperly country was only \$9,000,000. Don't who, in turn, borrows from the local leans from whose car windows you turn, borrows from the financial cenhas restricted and narrowed the both from the picking of the cotton exchange to reimburse the European

> center completes the chain? "Credit is the whole system, with ton producers. the high prices and excessive charges which must be made to cover the

seen the farmers of those sections? worked in the fields was 146 days relief. I like that warehouse plan Great, splendid barns filled with hay the least time 112 days, and the and corn and oats and silage. The average 138 days, or less than one every article raised. They rotate of the field. crops in these sections, and keep "The Northern farmer works twice in bank.

"Why do our planters still adhere tle when at a less expense they "Quit resolving and resoluting, found in the ruins. could raise fine stock, which will Get to work. Diversify your crop. improve the farm and go a long ways Raise good stock. Get your Con-

STILLS CAPTURED

THURSDAY OVER IN THE COUN-TY OF AIKEN.

Officers Find Some "Blind Tigers' Busily Turning Out the "Tussac Variety in Edisto Swamp

Aiken, S. C., Nov. 28 .- Vigilant florts are being made by the constabulary officers of this county in ing at Home, and Southern Earms an effort to break up the blind tiger. river swamps. The officers, Messrs Cater Samuels and D. H. Wallace, returned to the cirk Wednesday from

> to have receitly, been bought. Sunday night the officers paidvisit to the vicinity, and found a the effect that he had nothing to quantity of "mash," but the still say was conspicuously absent. Th v calculated that if things were left undisturbed, the "mash" would be made into "blind tiger" about Tues- He was pronounced dead in ten minday afternoon, that being the time it would require, before the mash would be sufficiently soured to be furnished by the county, and carried

-Tuesday afternoon they were in the scene. They found that their early to catch the bunch at work. mash" in "first class condition," ad all other appurtenances read ;

them they destroyed about 100 ga'-

county dispensary constables, and house when the shot was fired, and Mr. Wallace is a United States rev- running to the door was horrified past few menths, and the officers into a pulp with a gun. are being co gratulated upon their

nash was destroyed here, about 150

It was supposed that the operators hastily removed it to a place of saf- Saluda and lodged in fail. ety. Besides the mash, which was made- of corn, five barrels; one "fleck" stand, a portfon of a still pices with laxes.

KILLED A PLANTER.

Greensboro, Ala., Nov. 28.-Sher ff Gewin has captured three negroes. on your life. He goes ahead, negroes confessed and implicated the skimps close until he gets out of other two. He says that he held the light while the other two negroes killed Mr. Drake by knocking him \$20,000,000 a year. But the Senate He don't sit on the fence and cry in the head with an axe; that they killed it, and killed it because it for either moral or financial sympathen saturated his clothing and the hed clothing with oil and set fire portation of French hosiers. Some The curse of our cotton planter to them. Steps have been taken to little old New England mill would is debt, and until he gets out of debt call a special term of court to try which is running high.

borrows from the planter, who bor-covered, improperly cared for, and rows from the merchant or factor, there is not a train out of New Orbank, which borrows in one of the mannot see picked cotton lying out great financial centers, which, in over-night exposed to weather, bales of cotton lying on the ground or ter, with cheap bagging rotting and to the final sending of the bill of cotton daily being damaged. Such planters don't deserve the name of "Most business men or professional

men will average at least 275 working days a year. On the prop-"Have you ey'r been through erties under my control last season Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, or lowa, and the greatest time any tenant actually and hogs, the tool-house filled with or professional man. It was either

HANGED AT SALUDA

SLAYER OF EMANUEL CARVER PAYS PENALTY

On the Gallows for His Crime Picking Cotton.

Saluda, Nov. 28.—A special to The on Friday Will Herrin paid with his that are said to infest the Edisto murder of Emanuel Carver in Sep-

The execution was without a hitch Only a very few minutes were from-Merritts bridge, where they made a sumed in preparing the prisoner, for successful haul, bringing with them the drop. After ascending the scaf copper still, that appeared fold. Sheriff Sample asked Herrin if he desired to say anything. He merely mumbled a word or two to

his body was laid in a cheap coffer, to the poor house for burial.

The Rev. D. H. Crossland went to Herrin's cell this morning and concalculations as to time were correct. ducted a little service. The conbut they were just a few hours too demned man manifested absolutely no interest in it. While an effort They found the still, a new copper was made to shie the execution apparatus all in readiness, and the from the public, scores from positions of vantage witnessed it.

Will Herrin was tried before Special Judge C. C. Featherstone at special term of the Sessions Court show that Herrin, without any ap taken away if left unmolested, they parent cause whatever, shot Mr. Car decided to "break up" things. " So ver in the back while the latter was taking the still in the vehicle with picking cotton and failing to kill him ran upon him, knocked him lons of mash, broke all the barries. down and beat him over the head ings, etc. The still was brought to with his gun and left him dead Mrs. Carver was a witness to a part Messrs. Cate and Samuels are the of the awful deed, she being in the antured on Edisto river within the standing over him, beating his head

As soon as the news of the crime Yesterday merning the came of neighbors went to the scene and ficers made another raid in the same soon found Herrin a little distance vicinity. This raid was made at a away, and upon advancing on him saw mill about four miles from to take him into custody, was met Merritts bridge. They did not find with a volley of curses and fired upa still at this point, but found an on with a stockless gun, he having firpty furnace where a still had re- broken the weapon while beating ently been taken from, apparently Carver. One of the party was ery hurriedly. Five barrels of sprinkled with shot, and the crowd in turn fired at Herin and effected his capture. For a while a lynching was imminent, but cooler counsel of this still, hearing of the fate prevailed and the culprit was turned of the one near Merritts bridge, had over to the sheriff and brought to

the best of order prevailed. The denots, just and tubs were chopped to fendant was the only negro in the Court House during the trial, except the porter, and to all appearances was the least disturbed by what was taking place.

The only defence that could pos sibly have been made in Herrin. behalf was insanity, and this que: tion was fairly submitted to the jury, and under the testimony n other verdict than that reached could have been returned.

Herrin was, however, a man of very low order of intelligence.

WAITING-FOR DINNER TICKETS Victims of Republican Prosperity

Fall Into a Pit.

New York, Nov. 28 .- One hundred needy persons waiting patiently in drizzling rain on Wednesday evening in front of a mission house in Wes Thirty-second street to receive tick ets for a Thanksgiving dinner erashed through the thin covering over a part of the new Pennsylvania tunnel system and disappeared in the darkness below. Shouts and cries arose from the pit and a crowd which collected gazed down upon tangled heap of arms and legs been injured, and these only slightly. When calm had been restored the hungry ones lined up and received cotton farmer. They are merely cot- their precious tickets and disperse l rubbing their bruises.

SHOCKING TRAGEDY.

Five Persons Burned up in a House

home of Tom Richardson, at Wood on the next outgoing bound steamer pasture with sleek cattle and sheep half the time put in by the merchant land Mills, seventeen miles east of for Panama. here, was burned to the ground well-kept implements, everything too hot or too cold, too wet or too Wednesday night, and Richardson states that he was feeling his way neat and orderly, and some profit on dry, or any old excuse to keep out wife, mother and three children were into port slowly, and hearing a burned to, death. The remains of whistle on his port blow, tried to the children were found in the burn- veer off and thought he would clear their property up, and have money as hard as we do and under great ed barn which adjoined the house. the Panama steamer, which unfordisadvantages, and to the full appre- Several theories have been advanced, tunately began to go astern, with ciates the old motto: The Lond all of which is robbery. Richardson the result that the two steamers to the razor-back hog and scrub cat- kelps those who help themselves.' is missing, but his body was "not collided. The Finance had over

Tell-Tale Wounded.

Salsbury, N. C., Nov. 25 .- War darkness at her bedside.

GOES DOWN

Sfeamer Finance is Rammed by the Steamer Georgic and

Shot His Victim While He was SINKS OFF NEW YORK

Collision Occurs in Dense Fog in Main Channel-Three Eighty-five Passengers on the Finance, One Member of Her Crew and Much Mail Lost.

New York, Nov. 28. In the thick of a fog off Sandy Hook Thursday the stout steel freighter, Georgic, of the White Star Line, ramined and sank the lightly laden Panama steamer, Finance, outward bound with 85 passengers, the Finance go-19 women and 14 children, as well as others of the crew were rescued by the boats of the Georgic. The freighfer was not damaged.

Miss Irene Campbell, of Panama, a passenger who was lost, clung frantically to the rail of the sinkingvessel and could not be persuaded to ing determinedly as the vessel was engulfed. Wm. H. Todd, third assistant engineer, jumped overboard and was lost. When a roll call of the passengers of the Finance was called, it was found that Charles II. Schweinier, a policeman of Panama, and Henry Muller, a railroad conductor of Panama, had disappeared and there is little doubt that they were drowned.

ship channel off Sandy Hook at 8 o'clock this morning, and as both vessels were groping their way through a fog. The Finance had weighed anchor and was nicking Captain Mofbray, who was on the bridge, heard the whistle of an aparoaching, liner. The Efnance was immediately started astern, and was slowly backing when the Georgic, in bound from Liverpoof, loomed out of the fog and a moment later crashed into the port side, and just abaft the beam of the Finance. The prow of the freighter penetrated the side of the Finance nearly ten feet, tearing away an unoccupied state room and leaving a ragged hole, through

which the water rushed in. The Panama keeled far over to tarboard, while men and women. many of whom had been awakened from a sound sleep, were thrown from their berths. Hastily covering themselves with bed clothing, they rushed in a panic to the main deck. which was fast sinking to the surface of the water. Many of the passengers jumped overboard, not stopping even to provide themselves with. ife preservers. That more were not ost was due to the discipline of the rew of the Panama, and the prompt and intelligent work of the sailors

from the Georgic. Immediately after the accident, he freighter backed off and ancherd, her commander, Capt. Clark, in the meantime having ordered the life boats lowered. The boats of the Panama were also cut away 48 quickly as possible, though with difficulty because of the heavy list of

the sinking steamer. A score or more of those who jumped overboard were picked up by the small boats. Meantime the Finance was settling steadily. To add to the confusion a moment after the impact there was an explosion of an ammonia tank in the forward hold of the Finance and the fumes drove the engineers and firemen to the deck. Wm. Todd, the third assistant engineer, was partially overcome by the fumes, he, staggering. to the rail, threw himself overboard. He was not seen again. Probably half of the passengers with the crew. stood by the ship, awaiting rescue, and these were gotten off with re-

markable expedition. Captain Mowbray and several of he crew remained in a life boat near the sunken ship. Only the masts, stacks and part of the superstructure of the Panama remained above

he surface. The shipwrecked passengers an ! crew were brought to this city tonight and placed aboard the Panama steamer, Alliance, where the women and children were provided with Hartsell, Ala., Nov. 28.—The clothes. The passengers will depart

Captain Clark, of the Georgic. seven hundred bags of mail aboard. Four elephants in the Georgic's hold

Commits Suicide.

were undisturbed by the collision. '

New York, Nov. 28 .- George plows, harrows, mowing machines all, get out of debt. Staveout of ian for treatment of a gunshot. It Schuester, 62 year old, a veteran of ed. although the sause of the fie 644.77. Disbursements are given at Mrs. J. W. Confor, wife, of the land wagons often lie, for months ext debt, and then hold your products is charged that he is a burglar who the German army, shot himself with is not known, and it was first believed \$619,110.06. Leaving a balance in treasurer of the Covington Naval posed to the elements and when the until you get value for them, and was shot by Mrs. Maud Feamster the old army pistol that he carried that the rapid spread of the flar of the treasurer's hands of \$1,524.71. Stores Company, who was waiting crops of com and cotton are gather; the whole world, instead of con- in her home in this city last week, through the campaigns of the was due largely to the flowing naph. There are over seventy-seven thous for a train, was killed outright. Sev ed they are shamefully caredy for demning, will applaud your wis- when she fired upon someone in the Franco-Prussian war. He had been out of work for two months.