SOUTH CAROLINA STATE NEWS ITEMS. innunununi

Firebugs at Anderson. Fire, supposed to be of incendiary origin, destroyed the barn of Elias Mc-Gee, near Anderson, a few days ago, resulting in a loss of \$1,000, with \$500 insurance. Two mules and a horse perished in the flames.

Greenwood Gets Girls' College. About forty thousand dollars having been raised by Greenwood citizens and tendered Rev. S. Lander, of Williamston (S.-C.) Female College and his board of trustees as an inducement to have that time-honored institution moved to Greenwood, the offer has been accepted and terms complied with. Mr. Lander and his committee have already selected a site and work on the buildings will be commenced at an early date.

Charter Granted Railroad. The secretary of state has granted a charter to the Tennessee, Georgia and South Carolina Railroad Company, which proposes to operate a line from Anderson, S. C., to Blue Ridge, Ga., The capitalization of the proposed company will be \$250,000. W. B. Frink. of Chicago, is named as president, with Captain H. H. Watkins, of Anderson, as secretary. The principal place of business will be Blue Ridge, Ga. The company is given permission to increase its capital to \$1,000,000.

Blair Did Not Suicide. William Alexander Blair, aged 58 years, a traveling representative for the American Furniture Company at Lexington, N. C., was lound dead in bed one morning recently in his room at the Pavillion hotel, Charleston, where he was stopping.

Two empty bottles, which formerly contained laudanum and a half-filled bottle of the drug and a quart bottle was then Mrs. Vanderbilt, sued for a of whisky were found in his room. At divorce, naming Nellie Neustretter, of first it was thought he had committed Paris, as corespondent. Mr. Vandersuicide, but a post mortem examination was held and it disclosed that he vorce. Mrs. Vanderbilt's marriage to died from fatty degeneration of the O. H. P. Belmont followed in less than

Blair was for a number of years mayor of Asheville, N. C., and was prominent in business circles.

More Alleged Safe Crackers.

The Atlanta Journal says: Tom Hamilton, William Oliver and Joe Bird, though to be three of a gang of professional safe crackers, which has been opening the safes in a number of about thirty-five years old, and has postoffices in Georgia and South Carolina, were brought to Atlanta from Columbus, where they have been in jail for the past five weeks awaiting trial. After reaching Atlanta the three alleged cracksmen were taken before Judge Newman and ordered transferred to the South Carolina authorities, District Attorney Capers of that state having asked that this be done.

The offenses committed in South Carolina are of a much graver nature and for this reason the three men suspected of committing them were ordered returned to that state and tried If the men are convicted there will serve out their time and afterwards will be turned over to the officials in Georgia, to be tried before Judge Newmain for similar crimes.

Governor Suspends Two Officers. Following the recent sensational raid the home of one of Charleston's most fashionable ladies by constables who were in search of contraband liquor, Governor Heyward issued a statement in which he deprecates the unsuspension of Division Chief Howie for days, and Chief Constable Hammett is reproved for his connection with the affair

The governor states that his only re ason for not taking more drastic Hammett was unfamiliar with Charlestoon and its streets and ignorant of the fact that he was ordering Howie to

raid a private residence. No cessation, however, will be made in the vigorous enforcement of the dispensary law in Charleston and elsc-

Mills are Short of Cotton. A serious situation is now confronting the cotton mills not only of this section, but of the entire south on account of the unprecedented scarcity of the raw material and the prevailing

high prices, and, as a large manufacturer said recently: "The mills will have to curtail or shut down and we cannot afford to do The latter."

Some mills have already been compelled to shut down or curtail their output, and in the course of a few weeks' time the situation will be more serious still. Only a very tew mills have cotton on hand to run them any length of time, and with many of the mills it is a question of but a few weeks before they will have to buy cotton at the prevailing high price, which is the highest known for two years, or will have to shut down or curtail. The cotton crop in this section is now exhausted and whatever cotton is secured by the mills will have to be brought from a distance.

The mills which are the greatest sufferers are those who have made contracts to deliver yarns or cotton goods during the next month or two on a basis figured out when cotton was lower. Fortunatel: however, there are few mills in this predicament.

After August 1, at the furthest, every mill will be out of cotton entirely and the entire crop will be exhausted. it is predicted, so that there will be two months for the mills to wait for

the new crop to begin to move. Taking these facts into consideration, the situation will become quite serious by July 5, it is said in Spartanburg, and as a matter of necessity there must be a large amount of curtailing, mills running on shorter hours, while some will be forced to close down entirely. The big mill owners are already on the anxious bench and are beginning to realize the terious trouble."

There is only one bright spot on the loud now threatening, and that is with a BLACKS LOSE CASE There is only one bright spot on the loud now threatening, and that is with a black of the loud now threatening is not on the loud now threatening. aspect of the situation. cloud now threatening, and that is with a few of the mills which are long on cotton, have either bought or contracted for a sufficient amount of cotton Alabama's New Suffrage Law when prices were lower to run them far into the summer, and as cotton products have been advancing along with cotton, these mills will reap a rich harvest of profits, while the other SUPREME COURT DECIDES fellow is trying to calculate how to pull through with the least loss.

It is probable that many of the mills will prefer to run at even a loss. rather than to shut down, as the latter course is regarded by many big mill owners as a very expensive proceeding

WILLIE WEDS THE WIDOW.

Vanderbilt-Rutherfurd Nuptials Quietly Solemnized in London.

William K. Vanderbilt was quietly married to Mrs. Lewis Rutherfurd in London Saturday. Immediately after the ceremony the bride and groom started for France, where they will

probably remain some time. Only eight persons, i cluding Mrs. Rutherfurd and Mr. Vanderbilt, were present in the dreary St. Mark's church when the ceremony was performed. The arrangements by which the wedding was kept secret were most elaborate, and were not relaxed even at the last moment.

William Kissam Vanderbilt is the second son of the late William H. Vanderbilt. He was born December 12, 1849, and was considered the handsomest member of a remarkably good-looking family. He is an able railroad man; safe, conservative and prudent Socially he is eminent for his diplomacy. His wealth is between \$50,800,-000 and \$90,000,000. He is fond of yachting, racing, coaching, hunting and fishing. His friends call him "Willie K.

The most sensational episode in the career of Mr. Vanderbilt was when his wife divorced him in 1895. The present Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont, who bilt offered no opposition to the di a year after the divorce.

Mrs. Vanderbilt was Miss Alva Smith, of Mobile, Ala. When she went to New York in 1874, her wit and dash made her a belle of the fashionable set William Kissam Vanderbilt met her at the home of his sister, Mrs. Elliott F. Shepard, and fell madly in love with her, and they were soon wedded.

Mrs. Rutherfurd, the new bride, is lived abroad for many years. She was married in 1890 to Mr. Rutherfurd at St. George's in Hanover square, London, the nuptials being a leading event of the time. She was then the widow of Samuel S. Sands, Jr., a wealthy New Yorker. Before her first marriage she was Miss Anna H. Harriman. Mrs. Rutherfurd has two children by her marriage with Mr. Sands. She is the owner of Tranquility Farm, a fine country estate at Allamuchy, N. J., and recently inherited a large fortune by the death of her mother.

ALLEGED PAPERS SUBMITTED.

Two Important Developments of a Day

in the Postoffice Scandal. The two important developments Saturday in the investigation of the be directed to assume jurisdiction of sensational abstraction of papers from the safe of the office of the attorney general for the postoffice department at Washington, which led to the dismissal of that official, were the submitting of what purported to be the papers abstracted to the inspection of the postal officials and the decision of Postmaster General Payne to immediately relieve Acting Assistant Attorney General Christiancy from his office pending an investigation of his conduct. The action in the case of Mr. Christiancy was taken at his own re-

CARNEGIE DONATES PEACE HALL

Gives Cash to Build Home for Court of Arbitration at The Hague. Before sailing for his home in Scotland Friday, Andrew Carnegie donatel \$1,500,000 for a temple of peace for the permanent court of arbitration at The

The gift was made through Baron Guvens, the minister of the Netherlands, at Washington, and was made with the understanding that the government of Holland will be responsi-

ANOTHER WARSHIP LAUNCHED.

Armored Cruiser Colorado Christened at Ship Yards of the Cramps.

The armored cruiser Colorado was launched Saturday at Cramp's shipyard in the presence of a distinguished gathering of officials from Washington and the state of Colorado. Miss Cora May Peabody, daughter of Goverbittle of wine on the prow of the cruis- to resume work. er as she glided down the ways at 12:45 into the Delaware river.

INFORMATION AT A PREMIUM.

Secretary Hay Has Many Callers Anent the Manchurian Situation. Secretary Hay was extremely busy Monday receiving diplomatic represen-

ed in the Manchurian question. Secretary Hay disappointed his callers so far as information was concerned, as he has had as yet no response from either Pekin or St. Petersburg.

tatives of the various powers interest-

A DECISION MOST UNIQUE.

New Jersey Judge Settles Murder Case in Novel Manner.

In the examining trial, Thursday, of Charles Durham, at New Brunswick, N. J., who killed John Lawson last Sunday, County Judge Lewis rendered

the following decision: "The prisoner is dismissed. Lawson committed suicide in going with his gun to Durham's home on the hunt for

is Unassailable.

Court Holds that It Cannot Interfere or Grant Relief Asked Because Political Question is Involved.

A Washington special says: The United States supreme court Monday desided the case of Jackson W. Giles vs. Board of Registrars of Montgomery county, Alabama.

Giles is a colored man, who was denied the privilege of registering as a voter, under the new constitution of Alabama, and the case was brought to test the validity of that portion of the state constitution bearing upon this question. The relief sought was denied on the ground that the case was political.

Justice Holmes, who delivered the opinion, said that for the court to interfere would be an unheard-of relief in cases presenting only political ques:

The court, as a whole, did not pass upon the question of jurisdiction. which was the question certified by the circuit court for the middle district of Alabama, and Justice Harlan dissented, on the ground that the court could have declined to assume jurisdiction. Justice Brewer and Justice Brown united in a dissent in which they upheld the jurisdiction of the federal court on the ground that as Giles was denied the right of voting for a member of congress by the refusal of the right to register, a rederal question was involved.

Justice Holmes' written epinion was not made public, but he made quite an extended statement from the bench, reciting at some length Giles petition in which Giles claimed to speak not alone for himself, but for 5,000 other negro adults of Montgomery county, who he claimed would be disfranchised as a result of the enforcement of the suffrage provisions of the state constitution of 1901. The case had been dismissed below for want of jurisdiction, but Justice Holmes said a majority of the court were of opinion that the supreme court should confine itself to the question of jurisdiction, but should consider the case on its merits. He then announced that it would be impossible to grant the relief asked. He pointed out that while Giles is contending that the franchise system of Alabama is a fraud, he declares competency as a voter under it, and closed by saying that it was beyoud the power of a court of equity

to grant the petition. Justice Harlan, in dissenting, said that in his opinion the case should have been dismissed for want of jurisdiction alone, as was done in the circuit court, and he criticised court's opinion, saying that it left the question of jurisdiction in the air and that he was not willing to be a party to such a

Justice Brewer delivered the other dissenting opinion, in which Justice Brown concurred. They expressed opinion that the circuit court should

NEGRO WOMEN CAUSED STRIKE

Were Employed to Take Places of Children Barred by New Law.

On account of the child labor law of the state of Alabama, which went into effect on the 25th instant, 125 children under the legal age were sent out of the Lanett, Ala., cotton mills from their work Monday morning.

In filling the places of the young operatives where it would not come in contact with the white workers, the management put in several negro women in a side building to do the low grade work, and this action was misconstrued by some of the operatives. who thought that this change would interfere with their positions and salaries and decided to walk out on a

The word passed over all four floors of the large building, and in a very short while the entire force of 1,500 men and women walked out on a

The entire crowa of strikers marched in a body across to the large square in front of the main office. They then announced that unless all negroes were immediately and permanently withdrawn from the mills they would

not return to their work. Superintendent Coburn immediately informed President Lanier of the state of affairs, and he at once appeared on the scene and addressed the laborers, agreeing to grant their request. This being the only grievance, and as it was nor Peabody, of Colorado, broke the promptly settled, the laborers agreed

"UNCLE TOM'S CABIN" BARRED.

Famous Novel is Cut from Catalogue in New York Libraries.

In the work of revising the catalogue for class libraries in the New York public schools, "Uncle Tom's Cabin" has been left out, and hereafter this story of ante-bellum days so popular with readers of fiction in the latter years of the century just closed will be barred from circulation so far as the hoard of education is concerned | his denial is not credited.

UNCLE MARK ADMIRES GIRLS.

Hanna Says He Would Employ Them. Were it Not for His Wife.

Senator Mark Hanna, in his address to the students of the Ohio University at Columbus, Wednesday morning. made the statement that he would hire girl stenographers every time in preference to men, and if it were not for his wife would fill his offices with them because, he said, "they are more industrious, more efficient and a good deal safer. Besides, I admire them."

- Brief Summary of Most Important Events of Each Day.

-The Allied Printing Trades Council decides to put tne union label in all union shops in Atlanta, Ga., regardless of the Employing Printers' Club. -As the result of a beating administered by a mob, Andrew Rainey, a ne-

Tuesday. -- Senator Stephen R. Mallory was re-elected by the Florida legislature

gro, died in the Bainbridge, Ga., jail

-Alexander Blair, formerly mayor a Charleston, S. C., hotel Tuesday. -In a wreck on the 'Frisco, near Iudependence, Mo., three persons were killed and twelve injured.

-The editors of Pennsylvania appeared before Governor Pennypacker Tuesday to protest against the new closure since the announcement, sev--General Gillespie, chief of the on-

gineer corps, has left the Metropoliton Club, Washington, because of the relection of Corbin. Other officers will also withdraw. -Henry Youtsey was recalled in the Howard trial at Frankfort, Ky., Tues-

day. He swore that the murderers of Goebel had attempted to fix all the responsibility on him. -Speaking at a banquet at Kansas City, William J. Bryan denounce.! Cleveland as a traitor, and said he

would never have another chance to -W. K. Vanderbilt denies that he is to wed Mrs. Rutherford in Paris, but

his denial is not credited. -Five soldiers have been sentenced to be shot at Barcelona, Spain. While

drunk the soldiers fired on the police. -General Leonard Wood, of the United States army, was received in audience by the king of Italy Tuesday. -Captain Dunlap, wanted for smuggling, has taken refuge in the nava!

-Actorneys for George Gilbert, convicted of car robbery at Waycross, Ga., will make another effort to secure his

-Harman West was killed and Turner Cox mortally wounded while attempting to arrest an escaped negro convict near Camilla, Ga., Monday. -The Texas and Pacific Tailroad

has resumed service over the flooded country west of New Orleans. -Twelve convicts broke from chaingang near Wilmington, N. C., Monday morning. One was killed and two

-The Alabama railroad commission has called upon the roads of the state to explain their action in raising the minimum haul from 50 to 100 poun s without consulting the commission.

-At St. Paul Circuit Judge Sanborn has modified the decree in the Northern Securities case so that dividends

-At Jamestown, N. Y., a fast express crashed into a freight train. The wreckage took fire and several persons were burned to death.

-Some time ago J. Pierpont Morgan borrowed Anna Held's private car and the actress is in distress because it has not been returned.

-Nearly all the collieries of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal Company have shut down owing to a lockout order. Over 30,000 miners are af-

-It is denied at Havana that a hitch has occurred between the United States and Cuba in regard to coaling

-A footman posing as a prince, induced Countes Russell to marry him. The countess discovered the deception and is prosecuting her husband.

-Charges of fraud against the may or of Mayaguez, Porto Rico, will be in

-The Florida railroad commission has made May 1 the time for the inau-

guration of the new schedule of rates fce the Louisville and Nashville. -Nothing was heard from the president at Cinnabar, Mont., Sunday.

-In a row in Chicago Sunday !e tween G1 ks, who were celebrating Easter, and the policemen, several

persons were shot. -James McKinney, an outlaw, was killed by a posse at Bakersfield, Cal., Sunday. He fired on the officers from his barricade, killing one of them. -Rear Admiral Walker and other members of the United States Panama canal commission have arrived at

-Judge Emory Speer, of the federal court of the southern district of Georgia, issues an injunction restraining the railroads from putting into effect the increase in the freight rates on

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DEFAULTER SIMS INDICTED.

Eleven True Bills Returned Against Him by United States Grand Jury. Eleven true bills were returned by the United States grand jury at Atlanta, Monday against G. H. Sims, the defaulting clerk of the Capital City national bank, charging him with the embezzlement of nearly \$100,000 of the bank's funds.

One of the indictments covers the general transaction and remaining ten relate to specific occasions on which funds were embezzled.

BILL BACKS RUSSIA

Germany Holds Good Hand in Manchurian Muddle.

SECRET UNDERSTANDING

Secretary Hay and the Czar's Reprecentatives at Washington Hold Important Sunday Conference.

: Veskington special says: Close on tat arels of the Anglo-German alliance against Venezuela comes news of of Asheville, N. C., was found dead in a secret understanding between Germany and Russia, by which the latter country is to receive the acquiescence of the Berlin government in practically Russianizing the whole of Manchuria. This is the most important dis-

eral days ago, from Pekin of the Russian demands in Manchuria, which has upset the official and diplomatic circles in a way scarcely paralleled throughout the many acute stages of the Venezuelan embroglio.

As for the announcement that Germany will stand by Russia, or at least acquiesce in Russia's demands, this is taken to mean that Germany has Russia's pledge of support when the time comes for the kaised to demand the province of Shantung for his own. It was to be expected, in view of the mutual wave of animosity that swept over Germany and Great Britian at the time of the Venezuelan blockade, when these two powers acted in unison, that Berlin and London could not act in harmony long with the German and British people so bitterly opposed to such a policy.

Hay and Cassini Confer.

Russia's demands in Manchuria and their effect on American interests were the subject of a conference Sunday afternoon between Secretary Hay | January, the foreign office says: and Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, which occurred at Secretary Hay's house and lasted for nearly an hour. It is denied that the ambassador brought official advices from his | in the interior as we. Of the towns | government, but the fact that he is still suffering from an attack of lumbago which has confined him to the embassy for several weeks, is evidence of the urgency of the call.

Steps already have been taken by

the state department to ascertain the

true inwardness of Russia's latest move. Ambassador McCormick, at St. Petersburg ,has been instructed by cable to present to the Russian foreign office a note which, while diplomatically known as one of inquiry, is in substance a strong protest against Russia's demands. Cabled instructions also have been sent to Minister Conger, at Pekin, to express to the Chinese authorities the dissatisfaction of the United States with Russia's demands and our hope that China will not accede to them. No answers have yet been received to either note, though unofficial assurances are still reaching the department that American interests in Manchuria will be protected. In the department's note, which Ambassador McCormick probably has presented already, Russia's attention is called to the assurances which repeatedly have been given the United States relative to the preservation of the integrity of China and the continuance of the open door policy. Russia also is reminded of the severe blow to American trade which must follow the granting of the first two demands, that no more ports or towns in Manchuria be opened and that no additional foreign consuls le admitted. Russia's reason for contending for the closed door in Manchuria is the claim that the open door is not a commercial but a political question. She continues to assure the United States that in some way this country's interests will be protected in Manchuria. The point is made that as the Manchurian demands are still in negotiation between St. Petersburg and Pekin, the United States cannot expect that Russia make concessions until .ae fate of her demands has been determined.

FAST TRAIN WRECKED.

Engineer Kiled, Two Others Injured

and Much Mail Burned. The sorthboard Washington and Southwestern vestibule limited, on the Southern railway, ran into the rear end of a freight train near Lynchburg Va., early Thursday morning, killing Charles R. Kiney, engineer of the limited, demolishing the engine and burning up two mail and two freight cars. About two thousand letters were de-

Postal Clerk William S. Fealey. of Washington, and the negro fireman were injured.

FLORIDA EX-TREASURER DEAD.

C. B. Collins Passes Away at His Home in Dunedin. C. B. Collins, ex-state treasurer of

Florida, died Sunday night at his home in Dunedin. He was elected state treasurer in 1892 and again in 1896. At the beginning of his second term the Merchants' National bank, of Ocaia, failed with \$30,000 of state moey on deposit. The treasurr was criticized to such an extent that he resigned.

OGDEN ELECTED PRESIDENT.

Southern Educational Conference Names Officers for Ensuing Year. The following officers were elected by the educational conference at Richmond, for the ensuing year: President, Robert C. Ogden, of New

Vice President, Edgar R. Murphy, of Montgomery, Aia. Secretary, B. J. Baldwin, of Montgomery, Ala. Treasurer, W. O. Flair, of Winston-

Salem, N. C.

CHINA REMAINS FIRM.

Formal Refusal of Russian Demands. Conger's Note of Protest-Russia Replies to China.

It is officially announced in London that the Chinese government has sent to the Russian government at St. Petersburg a formal refusal to grant the gin, Ill., and established quite a settlelatter's demands in regard to the evac- ment at a point in Pensacola Bay, six uation of Manchuria.

Minister Conger Makes Protest. A special from Pekin says: Minister Conger has sent a note to Prince Ching, the grand secretary, protesting against two features of Russia's proposed Manchurian agreement, which are considered particularly antagonistic to American interests.

The note objects to China promising not to open more ports to foreign trade, because negodations are progressing in connection with the American commercial treaty for the opening of Mukden and Taku-Shan, and it objects to promising that the toreign employes in China shall only be Russians.

The United States withholds expression regarding the other demands, but is prepared to insist on her rights if infractions occur. - Russia's Answer to China.

Advices from St. Petersburg state that the Russian foreign office, when | ly. Not profiting by this warning Mr. shown the Pekin dispatch of April 23, setting forth the eight demands made by Russia on China regarding Manchuria, entered a denial o. a number of the points and minimized the importance of others.

Commenting on each point separatey, the foreign office says: "First-Absolutely false. Not our

"Second-Depends upon China. Not mentioned in our pourparlers.

"Third-False. "Fourth-Unimportant. "Fifth-Such is the present arrange-

"Sixth-Extremely important since an English vessel in 1902 introduced the plague. "Seventh-False. "Eighth-The i Legrity of China is

already adopted into the Russian pro-

gram. No need to discuss that now." Regarding the whole negotiations which have been dragging on since "There is nothing directed in any manner against the interests of the other powers or their commerce; others enjoy the same rights of commerce not opened to trade the railway wili carry Russian and foreign goods alike through the country, but we or they cannot sell them in the unopened towns. If the towns are opened all nel Tarbele, were at swords' points. will benefit alike. It is the railway's It is asserted the former secured posinterests to demand the widest possible developments of trade. The pour-

when the evacuation was decided Text of Russian Demand. As cabled from Pelin April 23, the

parlers concern multitudinous detailed

questions which were not foreseen

Russian demands were as follows: "First-No more Manchurian ports or towns are to be opened. "Second-No more foreign consuls are to be admitted into Manchuria.

"Third-No foreigners, except Russians, are to be employed in the public service of Manchuria. "Fourth-The present status of the administration of Manchuria is to re-

main unchanged. "Fifth-The customs receipts at the port of New Chwang are to be given to the Russo-Chinese bank.

"Sixth-A sanitary commission is

to be organized under Russian control.

"Seventh-Russia is entitled to attach the telegraph wires and poles of all Chinese lines in Manchuria.

"Eighth-No territory in Manchuria

is to be alienated to any other power." MUST CEASE WHITECAPPING.

People of Bloomington, Indiana, May Lose Their University. Letters from students of Indiana university at Bloomington to Governor Durbin Monday told of the whitecapping of three women and a negro there on Saturday night. The governor sent a telegram to the sheriff of Monroe county, in which he said that unless acts of lawlessness cease at once, he would in his next message to the legislature recommend that the university be removed from Blicom-

AGED MURDERER HANGED.

Dr. Gartrell, Seventy Years Old. Launched Into Eternity. At Butler, Mo., Friday James L. Gartrell, the aged murderer of D. B. Donegan, a Colorado miner, was hanged in the county jail yard. About 1,500 persons witnessed the execution, many coming to town from the surrounding country. Dr. Gartrell displayed remarkable nerve and talked briefly to

only one enemy he could not forgive, but would not mention his name.

the spectators before the black cap

was adjusted. He stated that he had

A SET-BACK FOR HOWARD. Witness Proves He Was Sick in Bed on Day Goebel Was Killed.

In the trial of James Howard at Frankfort, Friday, Dan Vaughan testified that he was sick in bed on the day that Goebel was killed and was not on the street at all. This was a hard blow to the defense, as Howard in his testimony told of

seeing Vaughan on the street just before Goebel was shot. LEE RETURNS TO ST. LOUIS.

Sick and Dejected, He Declares His Divorce from Politics.

Suffering physically, Lieutenant Governor John A. Lee, who left Kansas City a week ago for Chicago, returned to St. Louis Thursday night, accompanied by his wife, who went to Chicago

"I am done with politics forever, asserted Lee. "I am a sick man, and I need rost. Any one who says that am not a sick man never passed residence of Secretary White, Mrs. through my experience of the last few Rutherfurd's brother-in-law.

POISON SENT BY MAIL.

Florida Man Partook of a Prepared Breakfast Food and Was Dead Within Ten Minutes.

Roland L. Morgan, a gentieman who came south several years ago from Elmiles from Pensacola, Fla., received a package of prepared tood through the mail a few days ago and upon swallowing less than a spoonful was dead in

fifteen minutes. Morgan's relatives can attach suspicion to no one, as he had not a known enemy. In viw of this the conclusion is reached that the poison was meant for somebody else, although addressed to Morgan. The food came in the manufacturers' package, this being enclosed with a common white paper. The postmark is indistinct and posttl authorities are at a loss to say what is the emanating office.

Three deaths came near being caused by the contents of the package. As soon as the same was opened Mrs. Morgan and her mother tasted the stuff and immediately became deathly sick. They escaped death miraculous-Morgan himself mixed some with milk and placed it in his mouth. Rigor set in at once and the deathly material acted so quickly that he fell into an orange bush nearby and badly lacerated his face.

Was Well Known in Elgin.

News comes from Elgin, Ill., to the effect that Rowland L. Morgan, who died suddenly on Monday at his country home near Pensacola, Fla., after eating breakfast food from an original package received by mail, for many years was employed by the Elgin watch factory, and left Elgin about two years ago for Florida.

He secured a tract of land of 39 acres on the island of Santa Rosa, a few miles from Pensacola, where he managed a summer and winter hotel. Since leaving Elgin he had returned only once, when it was to answer indictments brought by the grand jury | dent. The government of the United on the charge of forging the name of States will record its ideas of what the recorder of Cook county. These charges, five in number, never came to the result of Secretary Hay's project trial and were quashed on the statute | ed conference with the president, it is of limitations. The indictments grew out of a real estate transaction of property in Elgin, but he disposed of everything, including a fine home, be-

fore he left for the south. Reports have reached Elgin during the last year that Morgan and his partner in business at Santa Rosa, a Colosession of all the property in some way and held it recorded in his wife's name. His relatives knew of no one who would wish Morgan's death. Owing to his alleged questionable business dealings he had many enemies, it

PAPERS WERE PERSONAL.

Lawyer for Mrs. Tyner Explains Matter to Attorney General Knox. A Washington special says: Ross Perry, the attorney for Mrs. James N Tyner, whose husband was summarily removed from his position as assistant attorney general for the postoffice department under rather sensational cir-

cumstances Thursday called on Attorney General Knox and talked the case over with him Friday. He made to the attorney general substantially the same statement previously given out by him, namely, that the papers taken by Mrs. Tyner from the safe in her husband's office were altogether personal, but that they would be returned

when called for. Friday morning the postmaster cer tified to the attorney general for such action as he may deem necessary in the cases of the persons involved in the abstraction of the papers from the safe of the assistant attorney general for the postoffice department. Postmaster Payne's letter forwarding the papers made no recommendations beyond submitting the case for such action as the department of justice might

deem necessary and proper. Attorney General Knox said the affi davits contain no information as to their ownership. He has called the attention of the postmaster general to the law relating to public documents and has requested information as to their character, and also asks of the postmaster general what action he re-

quests or recommends. Attorney General Knox expressed the opinion to Postmaster General Payne that unless there is something to show that the documents taken from the safe are government property no case would lie. This statement was made after Mr. Knox had gone over the papers forwarded to him by the postoffice department. Mr. Payne replied by stating the circumstances attending the taking of the papers and the fact that most of the papers filed gave him orders to let no one in or in the government safe are of a confiout. His attempt to enforce these ordential nature, and therefore are not

JAPANESE ARE AROUSED.

Protest Against Russia's Demand on Georgia Sawmill Association Secur China for Manchuria. Advices from Yokohama state that

three Japanese warships have been ordered to New Chwang, China. Marquis Ito has had a conference with the leading Japanese statesmen. The Russian demands for privileges in Manchuria have excited the Japanese press which insists on vigorous action, confident that the United States, as well as Great Britain, will support Japan.

BILLY IS SURELY ENGAGED. Prospective Marriage of W. K. Van-

derbilt and Widow Rutherford. A London dispatch says: The engagement of Mrs. Lewis Rutherford to William K. Vanderbilt is confirmed It is not known whether the wedding will take place in Paris, but it will not take place at the United States embassy or at the London

CZAR IS FAITHLESS

Russian Breaks His Plighted Promise With Uncle Sam

IN OCCUPYING MANCHURIA

United States Will Enter Vigorous Protest-Officials Think There is no Danger of War Over Incident

Minister Conger, from Pekin, has cabled Secretary Hay a synopsis of tha demands made upon China by Russia respecting control of Manchuria. This account agrees precisely with the press report of Russia's last coup at the Chinese capital. Secretary Hay will take no action in the matter untir he has communnicated the facts to the president and has learned the latter's

wishes. The present impression in Washington is that the Russian action is a distinct breach of faith with the United States. The Russian government pledged itself three times formally, and the documents are on record that the "open door" should be maintained in Manchuria and Russian troops should be withdrawn as soon as peace was restored. Finally the latter promise took the shape of a treaty stipulation. It was provided that the evacuation should take place within three distinct periods. The Russian soldiers should have quit Manchuria on the 8th of this month, according to that treaty, but a plausible explanation for a temporary retention of the remaining Russian troops was offered by Russia in the claim that the country was still disturbed, and that vigorous military measures were necessary for the pur-

pose of sanitation. No Danger of War. Officials declare that there is no danger of war with Russia over this incishould be done in Manchuria and as probable that further remonstrance will be added. But it is anticipated that Russia will, for the time being at least, allay foreign opposition or at least that of the United States, by carrying out its pledge as to the open

There will be no additional treaty ports in Manchuria if Russia succeeds in this last move. New Chwang, however, is still a treaty port and unless Russia makes a further move of applying her customs system to that port, United States products may enter there at the same uniform rate of 5 per cent duty, as are collected in the southern Chinese ports.

An official of the government, well informed regarding Chinese affairs, said the step taken by Russia is one for which she has been preparing for a number of years. Extraordinary as it may seem, he says, there appears to be no way of preventing the consummation of Russia's plan. Japan is in no position to dispute the action and the purpose of Russia could not be changed. As to the interest of this government, he said, it was doubtful whether the United States could look with favor upon the far greater control of the Pacific ocean, which the new move would give Russia. He had no doubt that Russia would eventually apply the Russian tariff to the new territory, in which case the United States would endeavor to sell the Russian 'raw material in place of the finished products which now go to that part of China. He said that there has been great development in Manchuria under the Russian auspices during the past few years and especially in the last

Open Door Guaranteed. Dalny, the port about forty miles from Port Arthur, has not only been greatly improved, but well fortified. This port is leased territory, which was discussed in correspondence between the United States and Russian governments in 1899. When Russia leased for twenty-five years certain Chinese ports assurances were given Ambassador Hitchcock that the open

door would be maintained. GATEKEEPER USED HIS GUN.

Fatality Follows Temporary Strike in Lanett, Alabama, Cotton Mills. In the town of Lanett, Ala., Monday

morning, Lucius Ogletree shot and in-

stantly killed John L. Potter and fatally wounded Dan Zachry and then made All of the parties are white men, being operatives of the Lanett mills. Ogletree was appointed a gatekeeper for the day operatives, who were temporarily out on a strike, and who

RAILROADS ARE ENJOINED.

ders brought on the shooting.

Restraining Order from Speer. The Georgia Saw Mill Association, through its attorneys secured an injunction Tuesday from Judge Speer, of the United States court, restraining the railroads from putting into effect the 2 cents per hundred advance in the rate on lumber shipments to the west.

GHOUL KING FOUND GUILTY.

Rufus Cantrell, Colored, Convicted at

on April 24th.

The hearing will be held in Macon

Indianapolis of Grave Robbery. At Indianapolis, Ind., Thursday night, Rufus Cantrell, the "King of the Ghouls," was found guilty on two counts by a jury in the criminal court. The first count was for robbing the

grave of Rose Neidlinger, and the second was for conspiracy with Dr. Jose C Alexander, demonstrator of anatomy at the Central College of Physicians and Surgeons, to rob her grave.