

PRINCE TUAN'S GREAT DEGRADATION

Minister Wu Officially Informs the State
Department of it—Deprived of All Of-
fices—Clan Court to Punish Him.

acted so far upon that point. It is thought probable that the matter will come to an issue when the sufficiency of credentials is examined.

Minister Wu, accompanied by his secretary, Mr. Chung, went to Baltimore at 11 o'clock to visit the Maryland Steel works at Sparrows Point, and witness the launch of the dredging steamer Thomas.

FRANCE'S NOTE.
Paris, Oct. 2.—An official of the French foreign office today formally confirmed the accuracy of the details of France's note to the powers on the Chinese question as telegraphed from Vienna last night.

A representative of the Associated Press questioned the official referred to as to the charges actuating the French minister of foreign affairs, in issuing the note. The official said:

"M. Delcasse has been contemplating this action for a number of days. France wants peace and desires it ex-

anxious to find a middle course between Russia and Germany, which will meet with the approval of all. There is no foundation for the statement that an effort is making to secure continental accord, to the detriment of England or the United States. We are unable to understand exactly the course the

United States intends to pursue whether she will act entirely separate under all conditions or whether she will negotiate in concert with the other powers in case they reach an agreement satisfactory to her.

"Germany's note, as understood here, presents two propositions, one the punishment of the guilty, the other, the

peace proceedings. While some people interpret it as meaning that the first is an absolute condition preliminary to the second, we see no reason why the powers should not proceed with the treaty preliminaries with those appointed emissaries of the Chinese government at Peking, while the armies seek out and punish Chinese troops and leaders.

out and punish Prince Tuan and his guilty associates. There is no incompatibility which will not permit the two actions from occurring simultaneously. Our hope is for an agreement to begin negotiations and the note expresses M. Dejeasse's ideas of how best that end can be secured. We feel there is nothing in it antagonistic to the in-

The French consul at Canton, under date of Monday, Oct. 1, cables that the gunboat *Avalanche*, with the French vice consul on board, had just returned to Canton after co-operating with the Chinese forces in repressing the troubles in the disturbed districts of the

hundred and nineteen members have joined since September 1, 1899, making a net gain of 45. The roll from

braces 4,500 members, whose capital, surplus and undivided profits aggregate \$1,412,481,466, and combined deposits, \$5,168,377,728; total, \$6,580,859,195. This is \$829,299,675 more than the same assets of last year's members. These figures do not include the capital and deposits of 432 members who are pri-

Nominated for Congress.
Woburn, Mass., Oct. 2.—Congressman William S. Knox of Lawrence was re-nominated by the Republicans of the Fifth district today.

**Its Departure Has Been Postponed
Until October 6.**

Taku, Sept. 29.—The expedition to Pao Ting Fu has been postponed, and the start will not be made until Oct. 6. Gen. Gaselee and the Chinese command

The New South Wales contingent of the British troops will winter in Pekin.

MICHIGAN BEET SUGAR BOUNTY.

The State Supreme Court Unanimously Declares Law Unconstitutional.
Lansing, Mich., Oct. 7.—The State supreme court in a unanimous opinion handed down today, declared the act granting a bounty of one cent per

found on all beet sugar manufactured in the State unconstitutional. The act was passed by the legislature of 1897.

THE YOUTSEY TRIAL.

**Commonwealth Calls Sixty Witnesses,
Only Twenty-one Answering.**

Georgetown, Ky., Oct. 2.—When the case of Henry Yontsey, charged with being implicated in the Goebel assassination was called before Judge Cantrell today, the commonwealth's attorney asked for an attachment for James A. Scott, the Frankfort attorney, who claims Yontsey conferred with him re-

Regarding his alleged connection with the assassination, Yousey entered the court room accompanied by his wife, his brother-in-law, H. H. Witherspoon, and the jailer. Beyond being very pale, Yousey appeared to be in good health.

answered "present," but all but three or four of the gladiators are accounted for and will be on hand when called. The commonwealth asked for forthwith attachments for absent witnesses and announced it was

The defense claimed that of the twenty witnesses only nine of them appeared

Witnesses, only three of them answered present. The defense asked and was granted until tomorrow morning to answer whether ready or not for the trial. Court then adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow.

Coal Mine on Fire.
Evansville, Ind., Oct. 2.—By a shot

fired in the Sunnyside coal mine here Sunday night just before the miners left the pit the mine was set on fire, and having been undiscovered until Monday morning, when the men returned to work, it gained much headway. The mine representatives and gangs of men have been fighting the fire

without success for 36 hours. At noon the fire was not yet under control.