

of Copp, broke in the front windows and overpowered the would-be murderer, who was just preparing to attack Dr. Rankin a second time. The latter although bleeding from a frightful gash across his throat, was standing in front of his wife, his revolver in hand, waiting for the attack.

In Copp's pocket after his arrest was found a note saying that he intended to murder Dr. Rankin, Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. Hermes and Mrs. Copp and then kill himself. It is expected that Dr. Rankin will die.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—Ellis H. Roberts of New York will become treasurer of the United States on the first day of July.

Secretary Gage has appointed a commission to examine the books of the present treasurer, D. N. Morgan, and to count the money in the vaults. This is an enormous undertaking, and will employ about one hundred persons, including expert counters and their assistants, for about three months. Most of this time will be taken in counting the vast stores of silver.

It is estimated that the paper money can be counted in about two weeks and that it will take nearly two months and a half to count the silver.

Mr. Morgan's bondsmen will not be released until the account is concluded and all the moneys and bonds in his charge have been fully accounted for.

Though Mr. Morgan received from his predecessor about \$700,000,000, he will deliver to Mr. Roberts about \$60,000,000 more than that sum.

NEW YORK, June 29.—A dispatch to the Herald from Madrid says:

On account of Senor Silva's recent bellicose speech and the constant news of Spanish defeats from Havana province, a feeling is reviving here in favor of war with the United States.

Several newspapers publish exciting editorials against the United States.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—Colonel Tom Oculifree of Texas, who became a national chairman a few years ago, is dangerously ill at Chamberlain's hotel in this city for three months. The serious nature of his illness has just become known outside of his immediate circle of friends. For over a year he has been in poor health, but for a long time was ignorant of the cause. A recent examination disclosed the fact that he was affected with an organic disease, and several operations have been performed.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 29.—The First Born, the Chinese play by Francis Powers, that has been running here for the past two months, is soon to be produced in eastern cities and in London. David Belasco has purchased the right to produce the play in the territory east of the Mississippi river and the same company that has made the play such a success here will tour in the East.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—The Senate committee on finance has fixed the duty on coal at 87 cents per long ton. This rate applies only to coal shipped from countries which do not impose a higher rate on American coal. It therefore affects only Canada, the Canadian rate on American coal being the same. There was a strong contention to hold the rate down to that originally fixed by the committee, or even lower it, but this was contest-

ed by the senators from the coal producing states, and they have won.

The committee decided to restore paintings to the dutiable list. The House imposed a duty of 25 per cent and valorem on paintings. This the finance committee struck out, transferring the item to the free list. The committee now returns to the House program, but it is not yet definitely decided whether the rate shall be 20 or 25 per cent.

SCRANTON, Pa., June 29.—A dynamite explosion early this morning in South Scranton blew up the business block of Leon Olchowski, a double dwelling block owned by him, and a detached house owned by Michael O'Hara. The business block, a two-story building was torn to pieces. Twenty other houses had all the windows blown out and plaster torn from the walls. The shock was felt all over the city.

The cause of the explosion is unknown, but Olchowski alleges that it was the work of enemies he made during political and church disputes, he being one of the principals in troubles which lead to a split in the Polish Catholic congregation.

Olchowski was seriously injured in saving his wife and his recovery is doubtful. The wrecked buildings took fire but the firemen kept the flames from spreading.

In some of the houses the sleeping people were covered with falling plaster. The infant child of Michael Joyce was dangerously injured and a little son of John Klein almost suffocated. The total loss will reach \$25,000.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—The Republican members of the Senate committee on judiciary today had under consideration the form of an amendment to be submitted for the control of trusts. They practically agreed upon an amendment making it an offense punishable by fine and imprisonment for one year for any person or corporation to monopolize or to conspire with any person or corporation to monopolize trading in any article protected by the tariff bill. The amendment when completed will prescribe penalties and supply directions for the detection of fraud. The preparation of the amendment has been referred to a subcommittee consisting of Messrs. Thurston, Davis and Spooner.

CHICAGO, June 29.—The American voluteers, Ballington Booth's religious organization, will be compelled to change their uniforms because of the enactment of the military code of Illinois by the last legislature. Policemen will not be permitted to wear overcoats, Captain Thomas Ford's famous Chicago zouaves will cease to be, the Chicago bussars will be required to drop their military trappings, while boys' brigades and semi-military companies throughout the state will be disbanded or the members fined and imprisoned.

All of these things are owing to the provisions of article 11 of the military code, now a law, having received the signature of Governor Tanner.

Now that the bill has become a law or will on July 2, there is consternation in the ranks of the companies which have awakened to the fact that their very existence is threatened. Some of these organizations have

gained both fame and riches by their proficiency in drill. The Chicago zouaves, for instance, have held the championship of the state for years against all other zouaves and have accumulated fully \$5,000 worth of property in uniforms and equipments. Several other companies have spent

NEW YORK, June 29.—Henry Gerson, a well known Jewish scholar, rabbi and writer, is dead at his home in this city, aged 54 years. He was an accomplished linguist and wrote many articles on the Jews in Russia. He formerly was at the head of congregations in Atlanta and Chicago.

NEW YORK, June 29.—William F. Hoey (Old Hoss) died today at the home of his mother-in-law this city.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 29.—The president today definitely decided to go to Canton, Ohio, on Friday to visit his mother for a few days. Mrs. McKinley, Miss Matel McKinley and probably Assistant Secretary of State and Mrs. Day will accompany him. They will leave here on the regular train over the Pennsylvania Friday evening at 7:30 p. m. arriving at Canton at 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning. They will remain over the Fourth and return Monday or Tuesday evening. Thursday night the President will give an informal dinner to the members of the cabinet and their wives.

NEW YORK, June 29.—The jury in the conspiracy case of the American Tobacco company, which has been on trial before Judge Fitzgerald in the court of general sessions, failed to agree. Although no verdict for the prosecution was rendered, a disagreement is nevertheless regarded by District Attorney Olcott as a victory for the people.

The jury were out fifteen hours, when they came in and informed the court that they were unable to agree. It was decided that it would be useless to lock them up again and they were discharged. It was learned that eighteen ballots had been taken during the last twelve hours, and the vote stood ten for conviction and two for acquittal. The jurors who held out for acquittal were Robert C. Fash and Foster Mijiken.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—As a result of the recent experimental shipment of American butter to England under the patronage of the agricultural department, an order has been placed by a London firm of merchants for the entire daily product of the Iowa agricultural college, which was one of the two places from which the butter was taken.

WASHINGTON, June 29.—Ex Queen Liliuokalani of the Hawaiian islands spent some time in the private gallery of the Senate today accompanied by three members of her suite. She first appeared in the Senate marble room and sent her card to Senator Perkins of California, who, after exchanging a few words with her and introducing her to many of his colleagues, escorted her to the gallery, where she took a front seat and appeared to be an interested listener to the debate on lead ore.

LONDON, June 29.—In the House of Commons today Arthur J. Balfour read a message from the queen in reference to the reported dissatisfaction of certain members of the House of Commons with the arrangements made for the reception of Commissioners at Buckingham palace Wednesday.