

## AT HOME AND ABROAD.

WASHINGTON, March 20. — Chief Haseu of the secret service treasury department said today that so far as he knew there was nothing in the story telegraphed from Omaha that several secret service agents, are working to unearth a bogus mint, which it is alleged has turned half a million silver dollars.

WHARTON, Tenn., March 20.—H. G. Boudin, a wealthy planter, last year purchased several bodies of land in Malagora county. On this land negroes imported from Alabama were colonized. Failing to do their work Boudin reprimanded them. Yesterday a mob of fifty negroes went to his house and shot him to death. There is every indication that the jail will be stormed and the assassins taken out and lynched.

TURIN, March 20.—Louis Kossuth died at 10:55 o'clock this evening. Kossuth's end was extremely painful. He showed signs of consciousness until the last. He expired in the arms of his son and died pressing the hand of the Hungarian Deputy Karolyi. The members of his family and a few intimate friends stood around the bedside of the expiring patriot.

LONDON, March 20.—An appeal has been issued for the purpose of raising a fund of £50,000 in order to celebrate the jubilee of the Salvation Army. In connection with this jubilee, General Booth proposes to inaugurate a four months' Salvation Army campaign in the United States next autumn. The general also proposes an international Salvation Army congress in June and expeditions to Japan, Java and Demerara.

ROSEHILL, Iowa, March 20. — The bodies of John Reed, 20 years, and Etta Shaw, 19, were found last evening hanging to the limb of a tree, the couple having committed suicide. No cause is known for the act. They were both members of respected families.

DENVER, March 20.—Denver society is discussing a scandal similar to the famous Breckinridge-Pollard trial. The principal actor in the local affair, according to the Rocky Mountain News, is H. E. Sims, a member of the ninth general assembly from Arapahoe county. Sims has for some time been engaged to be married to a daughter of a prominent Capitol hill family and the date of the wedding has been set for March 19. After deceiving the girl, Sims induced her to go to Pueblo on a visit and while there he married Miss Harriet London, a teacher in one of the city public schools and a most estimable lady. The couple are now in California on their bridal tour. It is understood the wife is unconscious of her husband's duplicity. The betrayed girl knew nothing of the secret marriage until her return home to prepare for her own wedding. It is feared the shock will be serious in its results.

OMAHA, Neb., March 21.—A message from Buffalo, Wyo., says: The storm here has assumed the proportions of one of the worst blizzards in the history of this section. It is feared that the ranges will be covered with cattle succumbing to the exposure of the blizzard, and the sheep owners are

almost in despair. The recent warm weather makes the situation all the worse.

Thousands of cattle are known to be off their usual winter quarters and far from shelter of any kind. It will be impossible to save these from almost total destruction unless the blizzard breaks by noon.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 21.—Three thousand representative negroes from every part of Alabama were in attendance here today upon the state convention of negroes recently called to consider the question of emigration to Africa. It was the sense of the meeting that Africa being the natural home of the negro, those in this country should return to that continent as soon as possible, and establish there a great nation, such as the whites had established in America. It was agreed, however, as the white man had brought the negro to America, he ought to pay his fare back to their native land. Resolutions to that effect were passed.

LONDON, March 21.—Rev. Thomas Spurgeon was tonight elected pastor of the Tabernacle. No mention was made of the Rev. Arthur Pierson, the American minister, who was a candidate for the place.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 21.—Dr. J. A. Houser of this city announces that he is about to close negotiations with Ex-Queen Liliuokalani for a lecture tour of the United States. Mr. Houser wrote to the ex-queen six weeks ago offering to manage a tour for her, and he says the reply indicates that she will accept the proposition made.

"I have arranged for the queen to wear a crown on the stage, and she will present precisely the same appearance that she does at Honolulu."

ROME, March 21.—The pope has nominated Cardinal Rampoll, the papal secretary of state, to archdeacon of the Basilica of the Vatican in place of the late Cardinal Ricci Paracelana.

DETROIT, Mich., March 22.—W. J. H. Traynor, supreme president of the American Protective Association and publisher of the *Patriotic American*, today issued an official address to the order. He stated that his travels in the West had convinced him "that the A. P. A. is a mighty force which no power on earth is potent enough to restrain, although the press, a large proportion of the Protestant clergy—to their shame or ignorance, let it be said—corrupt politicians and the priesthood have joined issue to suppress it."

The address exhorts persistent opposition to immigration as a primary source of financial panics and the "main avenue of priestly supremacy" and advocates taxation of all property, "ecclesiastical properties" included, public inspection of convents, and vigilant guarding of the franchise and the public schools against the inroads of foreignism and absolutism.

OMAHA, Neb., March 22.—Now it is a strike. The Union Pacific employees are uneasy and restive and there is an ugly look in the sky. They are not saying many words, but the few they use count for a good deal. Concessions they care for so far they have had none. All the conceding has been

done by the men. Not a point has been given in by the company and wherever there was a difference of opinion it still exists, unless the men have receded from their position. This has had a very depressing effect on them.

There was a secret meeting of the men last night, at which Eugene V. Debs and others spoke in favor of discontinuing what they call a farce. Mr. Debs went over the present situation and likened it to the Northern Pacific affair, which ended at last by forcing the men to yield to just what the company's receivers wanted.

DENVER, Colo., March 22.—One of the most destructive and at the same time spectacular conflagrations ever seen in this city broke out at 6:15 p.m. in the recently finished six-story Champa building, on Champa street, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets, and threatened for a time to sweep the entire block.

The conflagration started in the rear basement of the Champa building among the furniture stock of Thomas Thompson & Co., from spontaneous combustion, and before the situation was realized the entire building of one hundred feet frontage was a mass of flames.

The St. James Hotel, one of the largest in the city, on Curtis street, back of the Champa building, caught fire, and the rear part was destroyed; also part of the hotel annex. The guests were gotten out without panic.

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 23.—The dynamite works of the Acme Powder company, near Hulton, was swept out of existence by an explosion this morning. Five persons, all in the building at the time, were killed. The buildings in the vicinity were wrecked and a brick block at Logan's ferry, one mile away, was badly damaged. The house was shaken and the windows shattered in all the surrounding town. The bodies of those killed were terribly mangled. Part of them were gathered up in a box. The following are the killed: Samuel, Mollie, Nellie and Sadie Remaley and Wm. L. Arthur. Arthur's house in the vicinity was completely wrecked and Mrs. Arthur badly injured.

There were ten thousand pounds of dynamite in the building.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The Senate committee on public lands will probably soon take up Carey's bill granting the arid land states and territories a million acres each of public lands to be sold to settlers in lots of 160 acres each. The secretary of the interior endorses the bill and the commissioner of the general land office has written a letter in which he takes an advanced ground in favor of improvement of the arid regions by placing the work under the control of the various states. He says: "The building of irrigation works has been found to be very expensive, costing from \$5 to \$80 an acre. Now that the lands along the latter courses as a rule have been taken, the question arises, how can the lands difficult and expensive to irrigate be made available for settlement? The people of the states in which the arid lands are located would like to see the United States undertake the reclamation. This is certainly impracticable now and it is doubtful whether it will ever be otherwise. That additional legislation to in-