

RUSSIA IS STIRRED.

Ambassador Resents the Slanders Uttered by a Paid Writer. New York, June 22.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says: Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, had his attention called to an article entitled "The Russian situation from the inside," which appeared in this week's number of the New York Independent.

"Disturbances among the university students last March, of which this man professes to write authoritatively, were no worse than they usually are. Russian students are like the students of America and every other country. They are merely boys full of vitality, which sometimes expresses itself in reckless and lawless form."

"I speak not only with a general knowledge of the facts, because I once was a university student in Russia myself, but I am also able to speak with specific and detailed knowledge of the disturbances of last March. At no time did they amount to a serious demonstration against the government, and at no time were the students supported by the workmen of St. Petersburg or elsewhere."

LATEST FOREIGN NEWS.

Turkey Arming Against Italy. Vienna, June 24.—Die Information reports a sudden outburst of military activity in Turkey. The various garrisons, the paper says, have been ordered to go through drills, and district commanders have been instructed to arrange maneuvers on a large scale. Military roads are being repaired, especially the one from Constantinople to Durazzo, a fortified town in Albania on the Adriatic.

Mad Mullah's Force Routed. Aden, June 24.—The "Mad Mullah," after the recent repulse by Capt. MacNeill of his attack upon the British sloop, accidentally encountered the main British force of cavalry and mounted infantry which immediately attacked and routed him. The pursuit was continued throughout the night.

Degraded for Riddling Duel. London, June 24.—The Vienna correspondent of the Daily Mail says that Arthur Schntzler, the playwright and novelist, has been expelled from the ranks of reservist officers in the Austrian army and infamously degraded by a military court of honor for publishing a novel in which he throws ridicule upon the practice of dueling.

Mr. White Will Not Resign. Berlin, June 24.—Replying to an inquiry regarding a report published in the United States that he was to resign in December, United States Ambassador White wrote personally as follows: "I am leaving my present house simply because it has been sold to the government of Baden and I am looking for another house. I have no intention of resigning as has been announced."

New Trust in Mexico. Mexico, June 24.—Parker Sercombe, ex-manager and founder of the American bank here, telegraphs that he will return to the City of Mexico in a few days with \$2,000,000 to establish a new Mexican trust company.

INCREASE IN POSTAL BUSINESS

Sales of Stamps, Postals, Etc. 33 Per Cent Greater Than 1906. Washington, D. C., June 24.—Third Assistant Postmaster-General Madden has given out a comparative statement of the issue of postage stamps, stamp books, stamped envelopes, newspaper wrappers and postal cards from 1896 to 1901.

Including an estimate for the last fifteen days of this month, the total number of these postal articles issued by the postoffice department to the postoffices of the country during the present fiscal year is reported at 5,711,764,889, an increase of 1,516,099,166, or 36 per cent over the total issue in 1906. Their total value is reported at \$105,150,338, an increase of \$25,972,237 or 33 per cent over 1906.

Kentucky Girl Takes Poison. Frankfort, Ky., June 24.—Miss Alice Duvatt Gibbs, aged 18, who was found and detained by Lexington detectives yesterday and taken back to her home in Frankfort by her father, J. C. Gibbs, committed suicide by taking poison. She died at an early hour this morning. It is said she eloped to Lexington with a drummer Thursday on his promise to marry her.

EX-GOVERNOR PINGREE.

The Preparations for the Funeral in Detroit.

THE SON'S SAD HOME COMING

Already the Matter of Erecting a Suitable Memorial to the Illustrious Deceased in Detroit is Being Agitated—All People Will Unite in Doing Honor.

Sunday noon Hazen S. Pingree, Jr., sailed from Southampton for New York on the Red Star line steamer Zeeland, with the remains of the lamented ex-governor. That the funeral will be the largest ever given a public man in Michigan is evidenced by the preparations which continue to be made, and the indications are that the events attending will be the most notable of the kind that ever took place in the state. Everybody seems eager to serve in any capacity in the work of preparing for the funeral and for raising the fund for the proposed Pingree memorial, and it is likely that July 5 and 6, the days when the remains will lie in state, will be regarded as general holidays. In many windows of stores and in private dwellings pictures of the late governor are beginning to appear, with mourning decoration.

Governor Bliss has issued this general order: "It is recognized by the people of the commonwealth of Michigan that in the death of the late governor of the state, Hazen S. Pingree, Michigan lost a distinguished citizen, a fearless and tireless advocate of the rights of the people, a brave soldier of the civil war and commander-in-chief of the military forces of Michigan, and war governor during the Spanish-American war; therefore, to do honor to his memory, the military forces of the state will parade in compliance with the following orders: 'The staff of the commander-in-chief, the colonels of the Second and Third Infantries, the major commanding First Independent battalion and their adjutants will report to the adjutant-general in Detroit, at the Russell house, on the morning of July 6, 1901.'

"Brig.-Gen. Charles L. Boynton and staff will report at Detroit, Mich., on the morning of July 6, 1901, and Gen. Boynton will assume command of the military and naval forces of the state assigned to take part in the obsequies. 'Col. Charles W. Harrah, commanding First Infantry, M. N. G., and Commander Hendric, commanding Michigan naval brigade, will assemble their companies at Detroit, Mich., on the morning of July 6, 1901, and report to Brig.-Gen. Boynton. Transportation and subsistence while in Detroit will be furnished by the quartermaster-general in lieu of all other pay and allowances. 'All companies of the Michigan National Guard, not assigned to duty by this order, will assemble and parade with proper insignia on the morning, at their home stations, July 6, 1901.'

The Governor's Proclamation. To the People of the State of Michigan: The Hon. Hazen S. Pingree, former governor of Michigan, is dead, having departed this life in London, England, Tuesday, June 18, 1901, at the hour of 11:35 p. m. His death removes from our midst the second war governor of the state, a man descended from patriotic ancestry, and who had himself served his country in its hour of need on the field of battle, and in southern prisons. His energy and ceaseless activity won for him a world-wide reputation. He was endowed with a determination and tenacity of purpose which characterized his entire career, whether as a soldier, a shoemaker at the bench, a successful business man, the mayor of the metropolis of the state, or as chief executive of this great commonwealth. Coupled with this was a rugged honesty of purpose, which won for him the confidence of the people.

Dying in a foreign land, away from his home, the sympathy of the entire people will be extended in generous measure to his family, in whose midst he was always a kind husband and an indulgent father. As a mark of respect, it is hereby ordered that the flags on the capitol and other state buildings be displayed at half-mast until after the burial, that the capitol be appropriately draped, and that on the day of the funeral, all the state departments be closed. All officers of the state and all citizens who can do so, are requested to attend upon the obsequies.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state to be affixed. Done at the city of Lansing, this nineteenth day of June, A. D. nineteen hundred and one, and of the independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and twenty-sixth. By the Governor: A. T. BLISS, F. M. WARNER, Secy. of State.

Interlochen was visited by a \$55,000 fire on the 16th. There were 734 students in the great senior graduating class of 1901 at the U. of M. The village tax of Lake Odessa raised this year will be \$800 less than last year. A big celebration will be held on July 4.

The interior of the state house is hung with black draperies and pictures of ex-Gov. Pingree are everywhere in evidence. Mrs. George L. Yapple has been re-elected supreme worthy high priestess of the World of the White Shrine of Jerusalem.

The announcement is made that John Baird, a resident of Saginaw county, is to be made salt inspector. Salary, \$1,500. The Grand Rapids civic club has turned its attention to county officials, alleging that the coroners have filed illegal claims.

Another Town Springing Up. Michigan has a new town. Its name is Marlborough. It is located adjoining the plant of the Great Northern Cement company, 2 1/2 miles south and east of Baldwin, or two miles by rail. The company has platted a village which is estimated to be large enough for a population of 5,000 or 6,000 people. With their new industry, the manufacture of Portland cement, they figure that it would be better to be independent from any other town. They have already platted 3,000 large town lots, with wide streets. They originally expected to incorporate with the town of Baldwin, but later developments made it seem preferable to incorporate the town under an individual name of its own. The railroad company has signified a willingness to open a depot in the village. The management of the company will not allow liquor to be sold in the village. All deeds and contracts for lots have this clause forbidding the sale of liquor.

Desperate Murder at Iron Mountain. Jack Goldsworthy murdered Mrs. Mary Daniels at the Chapin mine location, near Iron Mountain, on the 21st, with a double-bladed ax striking her on the head twice. He attacked her young son, who attempted to interfere. Goldsworthy, who attempted to commit suicide by cutting his throat, was arrested. The woman died at 2 o'clock. The reason for the man's animus was that the dead woman had garnished his wages for the payment of a board bill. The first husband of Mrs. Daniels was killed in the Chapin mine, and her second husband met death in a saloon room. Goldsworthy is in jail and is well guarded by officers of the law.

Another Gasoline Explosion. The careless use of gasoline is again responsible for a horrible accident in Detroit on the 20th. The victims were children, a girl aged 15 and a boy aged 6. The children were left alone in the house and the daughter thought she would like to experiment in cooking. She attempted to fill the gasoline tank while the fire was burning, and an explosion followed with the result that both she and her little brother were horribly burned, the latter dying of his injuries a few hours later. It is thought the girl will recover.

Encampment Date Changed. The state military board met at Lansing on the 20th, and out of regard to the wishes of Gov. Bliss changed the date of the state military encampment from August 3 to August 5. It had been the intention of the board to have the soldiers go into camp at Manistee on Saturday and break camp one week from the following Monday, but the governor was opposed to having two Sundays in camp, and it was therefore decided to have the camp begin on Monday. It will close August 14.

Wild Game in Alpena County. Edward Brown, one of the best known trappers that operate in this country, arrived at Alpena on the 17th with the product of the spring season. He had three bears, 19 wolves, three wildcats, and many mink, muskrat and coons. His largest bear weighed 450 pounds and would easily weigh 600 in the fall. Brown's wolf catch is the largest ever made by one man in Alpena county in one season.

MINOR MICHIGAN MATTERS.

Lansing has some cases of smallpox. Owassee will probably have a street fair in August.

The berry yield in the vicinity of Watervliet will be very light this season.

Sunday, June 16, was a "dry" day at Houghton, for the first time in more than 10 years.

Clerge expects the steel works of the Sault to rival the great trust mills, when he gets them going.

The fund for the Pingree memorial, to be erected in Detroit, grows and it is hoped will reach \$100,000.

Striking machinists at the F. & P. M. shops, at Muskegon, to the number of 14, have gone back to work.

John Manchester, a resident of Otterburn, Flint township, is charged with attempted assault on his little 8-year-old step-daughter.

A disastrous fire in the Peters Lumbar & Shingle Co., Benton Harbor, Saturday evening destroyed property valued at \$125,000.

Five new outbreaks of smallpox were reported to the state board of health on the 17th, and one outbreak was reported ended.

A severe electrical storm passed over Allegan county on the night of the 16th, and considerable damage was done in many places.

Miss Laura Burdick, of Sturgis, has started for Honolulu where she will be married to H. M. Stevens, a civil engineer in the Hawaiian islands.

Rural free delivery service ordered established at Kent City, Kent county, Mich. A route was also ordered established at Marshall, Calhoun county.

The prosecuting attorney and police officers of Port Huron have commenced a crusade for a better observance of the liquor law of the state.

The striking machinists at the F. & P. M. shops in Saginaw returned to work on the 17th. No information is obtainable as to the terms of settlement.

Miss Myrtle Mudridge, the young woman from Sanilac Center who disappeared from the Hotel Detroit, Detroit, about June 1, was found in Mt. Clemens Saturday.

The machinists' strike in Saginaw valley was settled on the night of the 20th. Although the men did not get all they contended for, they are jubilant over the outcome.

Michigan pensions have been recently granted as follows: Original—Eugene Blakeslee, Harriette, 88; George A. Seebold, Three Rivers, 88; Minor of Lewis Pettit, Grand Rapids, \$10.

TRANSVAAL WAR ITEMS.

The 17th inst. being the anniversary of the beginning of the siege of Tien Tsin, the ladies decorated the graves of the soldiers of all nationalities.

Replying to questions in the British house of commons on the 17th, Mr. Brodbeck, the war secretary, said there were 40,229 persons in the "concentration camps" of the Transvaal and Orange River colony. The deaths in these camps for the month of May numbered 98 men and women and 315 children. The announcement of the mortality was received with groans from the Irish members and cries of "scandalous."

Lord Kitchener has cabled from Pretoria, under date of June 16, as follows: "Near Welmansrust, 20 miles south of Middleburg, 250 Victorian mounted rifles from Gen. Beaton's column were surprised in camp at Steenkoolspruit by a superior force of Boers on the 12th. The enemy crept up to within short range and poured a deadly fire into the camp, killing 3 officers and 16 men and wounding 4 officers and 38 men of whom 28 were slightly wounded. Only 2 officers and 50 men escaped to Gen. Beaton's camp. The remainder were taken prisoners and released. Two pompons were captured by the enemy."

THE NEWS CONDENSED

Senator Dewey is still talking a third term for McKinley. Porto Rico's Assembly will take up the question of free trade July 4.

A tornado near Naper, Neb., killed or fatally injured nearly a dozen persons. Lapeer's new four inch water mains have been given a fire test with disappointing results.

A disease similar to the grip has appeared among horses in New York and is rapidly killing them.

Agoncillo, the European representative of Aguinaldo, has left Paris and is returning to his own country.

The state supreme court sitting at Jackson, Tenn., on the 20th decided that a woman cannot practice law in Tennessee.

The Grinnell, Ia., Congregational church has decided to drop the name of Prof. Geo. D. Herron from its church rolls.

The plague is becoming violent in Hong Kong. Up to the end of May 400 Chinese have died.

The business of national banks, according to the last report of Comptroller Daves, has increased nearly \$100,000,000 in ten weeks.

According to a special from Washington, Boer sympathizers are making preparations for a visit by Kruger to this country in the autumn.

The monsoon rains in India have not extended beyond the Bombay presidency and unless they become more general the outlook is gloomy.

Fire, which originated in the establishment of J. B. Sickles Saddlery company, St. Louis, consumed property and stock valued at nearly \$200,000.

Edward Biddle has been convicted of murder in the first degree at Pittsburg, Pa., for the killing of Thomas D. Kahney, the Mt. Washington grocer.

The Bismarck statue, facing the Column of Victory, in front of the reichstag building, Berlin, Germany, was unveiled at midday on the 16th.

A cyclone passed over the extreme southeast corner of Beadle county, S. D., on the 15th, injuring 10 persons and destroying much property.

Three persons were killed and several injured by lightning during a severe electrical storm which passed over Indiana on the night of the 20th.

The Engineering and Mining Journal estimates the gold output in the United States last year at \$118,435,562 for the United States and \$255,924,654 for the world at large.

Pending the settlement of the Chinese indemnity question has arisen as to who shall pay for the maintenance of legation guards after the several countries have withdrawn their main forces.

Germany desires to increase her claim of indemnity against China from £12,000,000 to £14,000,000 because the first figure does not include expenses borne by Germany in China from May to July.

The trouble long anticipated has at last taken place and the strained relations between the union and non-union miners at Matewan, W. Va., has resulted in bloodshed. Two men will probably die.

Thousands of people, men, women, children, camping on the border of the Kiowa-Comanche-Apache reservation in Oklahoma, awaiting the opening of that land to settlement, are in destitute circumstances.

The miners' strike in the Matewan, Va., coal fields is growing critical, and a resort to firearms has been the result. The whole field is excited and serious trouble is feared. Already two or three conflicts have occurred between the striking miners and the guards, which have been placed in the works by the operators.

Daniel Smith, who resides near Orville, Bridgeport township, Saginaw county, is undoubtedly the oldest living resident of Michigan. He was born aboard the old ship Masconoma, in Portland harbor, Maine, January 21, 1791, and consequently he is in his 111th year. He served in the Mexican and Seminole wars.

The third trial of Dr. Samuel J. Kennedy, of New York, for the murder of "Dolly" Reynolds, resulted in the jury being unable to agree on a verdict after taking five ballots. The judge at once discharged the jury from further service and remanded the prisoner to the toms.

The largest coal deal ever consummated in West Virginia was closed on the 17th. The Watson coal operators having practically secured control of the entire Fairmont region. A new company, with \$12,000,000 capital, has been organized and is known as the Fairmont-Coal Co.

OUR TRADE WITH PHILIPPINES

Shows an Increase of 21 Per Cent in Imports.

149 PER CENT IN COMMERCE.

The Total Amount Imported Into the Islands for 10 Months of Last Year Was \$20,143,152, Against \$16,664,568 for the Preceding Year.

Our Trade With the Philippines. An increase of 21 per cent in imports and 149 per cent in Philippine commerce is shown in a comparative statement made public on the 17th by the division of insular affairs, war department, setting forth the trade returns for the first 10 months of 1900, as compared with the same period for the preceding year. The total value of merchandise imported into the Philippines from January to November of 1900 was \$20,143,152, against \$16,664,568 for the same period of 1899. The value of the exports from the Philippines during the 1900 period is set down at \$19,375,830, against \$12,975,005 in 1899. The greater part of the imports came from Europe and Asiatic countries, although this trade with the U. S. showed an increase of \$21,367, or 33 per cent. Exports to the U. S., however, showed a falling off of \$975,627.

Young Bride Satisfied. Because the man she married tried to force her to live a vicious life, Mrs. Edith Smith, a bride of 12 days, committed suicide in Evanston, Ill., by foundering herself into the heart of the 16th St. Mrs. Smith, who was 18 years old, and whose maiden name was Moore, was married on June 4 to Ami Smith, of Chicago. A week later she deserted her husband and returned to Evanston. Smarting under the shame and disgrace she said she had experienced, she locked herself in her room and was found lying dead on the bed with the revolver gripped in her hand.

Heavy Storm. Pittsburg and vicinity were visited Saturday by one of the fiercest storms known since the United States weather bureau has been established. Within 48 minutes 1.08 inches of water fell and during that time the lightning and thunder was almost continuous. The rain was accompanied by a storm of hail, with high except in a contracted path a few hundred feet wide, which it swept like a tornado from McKees Rocks, through Allegheny, a portion of the east end, Pittsburgh, on to Wilmerding and Turley Creek. Great damage was done and three deaths resulted in Pittsburg.

Suddenly Called. Adolph S. Hay, son of Secretary Hay, and formerly consul to Pretoria, fell from the window of a hotel in New Haven, Conn., Saturday night and was found dead at 2:30 a. m. by a passerby. There was considerable excitement about the hotel and a large body of students and graduates who were there for the commencement exercises soon gathered. A number of Hay's former classmates at Yale positively identified the young man. It is believed that Hay became ill and, on going to a window for air, was overcome by dizziness and fell to the ground.

Won't Marry Him. According to a London dispatch, among the paid announcements in the Morning Post of London, appeared this notice: "The marriage between Miss Vivian Sartoris and Mr. Archibald Balfour will not take place."

A Sweeping Injunction. A Milwaukee court has issued an injunction relative to the machinist strike in that city which prevents the strikers from in any way interfering with the workmen employed at the Vilter works; from gathering about the works; from posting pickets, from combing the streets for preventing tradesmen selling to workmen, who have refused to quit, and from doing anything that will in any way operate to result in damage to the Vilter Co.

Twelve Dead, Many Injured. Twelve people were killed and a number were injured as the result of a fire following an explosion among a quantity of fireworks in the store of A. A. Rittenburg, at Paterson, N. J., on the 21st. Several persons are missing and are thought to have perished. The store was on the ground floor of a tenement building. The cause of the explosion is not known. The property loss will not exceed \$35,000.

Dead Tramp Had \$450. Beside an old man, dressed like a tramp, who was killed by a freight train on the New York Central near Adams Center, N. Y., on the 18th was found a bag of buck ticks containing \$450 in gold. In a purse was about \$150, also in gold. All the coins were of old dates and had apparently been hoarded. The body was badly mutilated, the features being completely destroyed.

The Chicago servant girls are talking of forming a labor union. Buffalo was scorched to the extent of \$210,000 on the morning of the 18th. Several persons were prostrated from the heat in Chicago on the 12th, two of whom may die.

The exports from the United States for the year 1901 will total in the neighborhood of \$1,500,000,000. The trial of Thomas G. Barker, who tried to kill Rev. John Keller, of Arlington, N. J., was commenced at New York on the 17th.

The transport Pennsylvania arrived at San Francisco from Manila on the 17th with 32 officers and 810 men of the 40th volunteer infantry.

DESTRUCTION.

A Catastrophe Caused by a Cloud Burst in Virginia.

Dispatches from several points in Virginia give particulars of a terrific cloud burst which caused the loss of over 200 lives and the entire destruction of the town of Keystone. Hundreds of people are missing and the destruction of property is widespread.

CUBA AND PHILIPPINE NEWS.

The island of Panay is being ravaged by rinderpest and so great is the havoc caused by the disease that the natives are hauling carts to Iloilo. Col. Bolanos, five officers and 41 men have surrendered at Lipa, Bantangas province.

According to Gen. Emilio Nunez, civil governor of the province of Iloilo, the Cubans are well-pleased with the existing state of affairs. He says that the acceptance of the Platt amendment has greatly improved the situation.

Civil government will be established in the Philippine islands on July 4. Judge Wm. H. Taft will be designated as civil governor. He will remain at the head of the Philippine commission which is to be continued. The order creating him civil governor will be issued by the President through the secretary of war.

The recent battle with the insurgents at Lipa, in which Lieutenant Springer was killed and Capt. Wilhelm and Lieutenant Lee were mortally wounded, was begun by the Americans. The disproportionate number of officers hit is said to be chargeable to the fact that there were several deserters from the American army with the rebels.

American experts are preparing to report to the President a plan for the permanent military or naval or military and naval occupation of the island of Cuba. Later on, it is alleged, the practical effects of the Platt law will be made clear to the Cubans. It is expected at Washington that the Cubans will not accept the apparently harsh conditions with happy minds. There are two views in the cabinet as to the extent of the permanent military and naval occupation of Cuban ports and harbors. Secretary Root and his group favors the extreme view of taking the five principal harbors and the present fortifications.

The Philippine mail on the 17th brought to the war department at Washington the records in 11 cases wherein Filipinos were tried by military commissions on charges including murder, rape, kidnapping, assault and battery, burglary and violations of the rules of war. The leaders select their victim, capture and carry him away in the night to a secret rendezvous on a sandy beach where a grave has been prepared. Here, in the presence of the assembled band, helpless men and women from time to time have been stabbed to death and tossed into the graves. Ten members of the band, including two of the chiefs, were tried before a military commission and eight of them sentenced to be hanged.

The zarina of Russia on the 18th gave birth to a daughter. The prayers of prince and peasant failed to bring a male heir to the royal house.

BASE BALL.

Below we publish the standing of the American and National league clubs up to and including the games played on Saturday, June 22:

Table with columns: AMERICAN LEAGUE, Won, Lost, Per cent. Rows: Boston, Chicago, Detroit, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Milwaukee.

Table with columns: NATIONAL LEAGUE, Won, Lost, Per cent. Rows: Pittsburg, New York, Boston, St. Louis, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Milwaukee.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK. New York—Cattle Sheep Lambs Hogs. Best grades, \$4.00 to \$5.00. Lower grades, \$3.00 to \$4.00.

Table with columns: GRAIN, ETC. Wheat, Corn, Oats. Rows: New York, Chicago, Detroit, Toledo, Cincinnati, Pittsburg, Buffalo.

Wool. No. 1 Timbony, \$12.75 per ton. Potatoes, 55c per bu. Live Poultry, Spring chickens, 10c per lb; fowls, \$1.25; turkeys, 8c; ducks, 10c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 12c per dozen. Butter, best dairy, 15c per lb; creamery, 13c.

The steamship Hawaiian, from Honolulu, brought the largest cargo of sugar ever sent out of the Hawaiian Islands, 8,600 tons, valued at \$750,000.

The "Saints of God," a religious sect of considerable strength in southwest Michigan, will hold their annual camp meeting near Grand Junction, June 14 to 23 inclusive.

As a punishment for gum-chewers, who attend the summer school at Chicago, the teachers compel the children to chew soap, and the form of punishment is to be investigated by the proper authorities.

BARKER IS FOUND GUILTY

May Get Seven Years for Shooting Rev. John Keller.

SORRY HE DID NOT KILL.

Defendant Believes He Should Have Slain the Alleged Destroyer of His Home—Story is Kept from the Jury—Woman's Story Discredited.

New York, June 24.—The unwritten law that a man may slay or maim the despoiler of his home was repudiated and discredited when a New Jersey jury convicted Thomas G. Barker of assault on Rev. John Keller. Barker tried to kill Keller, gloried in the fact that he blinded an eye for him and regretted only that he failed to wipe out the life of the man he believed had outraged his wife. He went before his judge and jury as the protector of his home, and stood firm in the absolute faith that he would be vindicated in his acknowledged and confessed attempt to kill. Even now, with a possible imprisonment for seven years before him, Barker is unrepentant. He adheres to the unwritten law and insists that if a jury can be told the story from his wife told him nothing can keep from him his freedom. For, as is well known, the story Mrs. Barker told her husband was not repeated in court. The evidence was confined closely to the shooting down of the minister, and although everybody, from judge to jury, knew positively what had led Barker to attempt murder, officially it was a sealed book, despite all efforts to bring it into the case as a motive. Hysterical mania has been put forward as the possible solution of the remarkable part Mrs. Barker has enacted in this Jersey tragedy. The husband will listen to none of it. He heard his wife tell her terrible story, and no matter what others may say of it, he believed it and always will. He listened to her recital of what she said happened when her minister paid her a visit, and although she had, for shame and fear, kept her version of the affair a secret for over a year, yet, knowing her husband well, she finally confessed. Rage and the blood hunger filled his being, and he acted while frenzied. Meeting the preacher, carrying his Bible and on his way to a denominational meeting Barker shot him down and believed he had killed him. For this he has been convicted of assault. For once a woman's story of a wrong has been discredited and the husband who believed his home despoiled and sought his own revenge has been adjudged a felon.

LATEST LABOR NEWS.

Threaten to Tie Up Reading. Reading, Pa., June 24.—Shortly before noon 925 employees of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad company's car-laborers, went on a strike. It is generally known that these men struck from sympathy with the 3,000 Reading Iron company employees, who went on strike about five weeks ago. Including the men who went out today there are now on strike about 4,000 Reading Iron company and Philadelphia and Reading railroad company employees. From an authoritative source it was learned today that if the strike leaders consider such a course necessary to win the fight the railroad hands of the entire Reading railroad system will be called out.

Brewery Strike Threatened. St. Louis, Mo., June 24.—A joint conference of St. Louis brewers and representatives of their employees for the adoption of a new wage scale was held here. The men demand an increase of \$2 a week, and say that unless this is granted by next Tuesday, the 4,000 brewery workers of the city will strike to a man. The questions of unionism and hours are not involved.

Strike Over Color Line. Muncie, Ind., June 24.—The nut and bolt department of the Indiana Iron Works is still closed and probably will not resume this season. The department was closed because the boys and girls struck on account of the presence of a colored lad.

Seattle Strike Threatened. Seattle, Wash., June 24.—The Seattle Trades Council, representing 5,000 bricklayers and 1,000 employees, announced that unless the men were granted nine hours' work for ten hours' pay by July 15 a general strike would be declared.

Wanamaker Makes Big Bid. Philadelphia, Pa., June 24.—Following his offer to Mayor Ashbridge last week to pay the city \$2,500,000 for the street railway franchises granted to certain capitalists in this city by the city council, and to which he received no reply, ex-Postmaster General John Wanamaker has sent a communication to Congressman Robert H. Forster, one of the capitalists to whom the franchises were granted, offering him \$500,000 for the franchises, in addition to giving the city the sum already offered a few days ago and guaranteeing a 3-cent fare.

Slain with Babe in Arms. Iron Mountain, Mich., June 24.—Mrs. Mary Daniels was killed by Jack Goldsworthy, while in the summer kitchen of her home. She was struck with an ax while her baby was in her arms. Goldsworthy, as he ran from the house, informed Mrs. Daniels' sister that she had fainted and was in the house. He was arrested. Mrs. Daniels was a widow, her husband having been killed in a saloon.

New Consul to Nova Scotia. Washington, June 24.—Charles P. Snyder of West Virginia was appointed consul of the United States at Windsor, Nova Scotia.