Cambridge, Feb. 24.—National Bank Examiner Ellis S. Popper has discovered a shortage of $414,000, or more, in the affairs of the National City Bank of Cambridge, and in one of the telegrams which he sent yesterday to Comptroller of the Currency Murray, says George W. Coleman, the bookkeeper, as the defacto. The bank has been closed because of this shortage in the individual deposits. Outrage has been sought by the Cambridge police. The amount sold to be missing is more than the combined capital and surplus of the bank by about $50,000, making the bank obviously insolvent.

New Haven, Feb. 24.—The freshmen and sophomores at Yale fought out their annual Washington's Birthday fence rush after chapel yesterday in a downpour of rain and upon a muddy campus. The "Y" men of the junior class, headed by Captain Edward H. Day, had charge of the affairs, giving a signal to start and stop, and later the decision as to the winner. The fence was won by the decision, although after the rush stopped the half-frozen and crouching sophomores did the cheering under the idea that they had held the fence. The crowd of spectators was the largest in years. Aside from many bloody noses and torn clothing, there were few features.

Reykjavik, Iceland, Feb. 22.—An avalanche has overwhelmed Husidast on Vesur Fjord, and twenty-three persons were killed.

Philadelphia, Feb. 23.—Blood poisoning, bitekites considered an almost invariable fatal disease, and one whose onset is dreaded by every surgeon, can be cured by diphtheria antitoxin, according to a report to the Philadelphia medical profession by Edward M. Deane.

The discovery of this new and unlooked-for method of waging war on diphtheria antitoxin was made accidentally.

Central City, Ky., Feb. 24.—An explosion of gas in the mine of the Iron Mountain Coal Co., yesterday, totally burned one miner and injured several others. Most of the men were rescued, but one with slight burns. The work in the mine stopped and the mine is still burning.

Buenos Aires, Feb. 23.—The entire crew of 20 men of the British steamer Sydney, which went aground near Diamond Shoal, was taken off safely by the life-savers from Portsmouth Island Station.

Boston, Feb. 24.—For mutual protection and benefit, the manufacturers of the aircraft in exhibition in Mechanics Building have formed a new association this week. It is to be known as the National Association of Aviation Manufacturers. The principal purpose of the new organization is to provide mutual protection in case of infringement of patent rights.

This is the last day in which to see the first airship show ever held in the United States. For this week's exhibition o'electra, the exhibition of flying machines in Mechanics Building climax.

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

Washington, Feb. 24.—It is probable that Commander Robert E. Peary will have to submit proofs of his discovery of the North Pole to the House Committee of Naval Affairs. The Navy Department Committee reports any one of the several bills intended to officially recognize the explorer as the discoverer of the North Pole. This was decided upon at the close of the Senate for the day, and the sub-committee having charge of the several bills adopted a resolution calling upon the Secretary of Commerce and Labor to submit any official reports made by Peary or any proofs to this body to substantiate his claim.

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