HOMEWARD BOUND.

The Body of Sir John Thompson Coneyed From the Metropolis to Portsmouth

Embarkation on Board H. M. "Blenheim"-The Highest Honors Paid Deceased.

London, Dec. 22. - Shortly before o'clock this morning the weather which dur-ing the night had been especially inclement cleared up, and under a bright sky the body of Sir John Thompson, the late Premier of Cenade, left London for Portsmouth amid the profound silence of a large crowd of people who stood bareheaded in and about the Victoria station until the train was out of sight. It was composed of two brake vans, two first-class carriages, one saloon carriage and a funeral car in the centre, which had been transformed into a mortuary chapel. To receive the coffic, a magnificent cata-falque of black with silver borderings was erected in the centre of the mortney chapel. On either side were three grantic candelabre in which were lighted tapers

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candelabra in which were lighted tapers. At the head of the catafalque was a silver cross which occupied nearly the whole breadth of the end of the motuary chapet and in front was a gold crucifix three feet high. The engine was draped with black. One of the brake vans was filled with wreaths, conspicuous among them being the magnificent wreath sont by the Queen and another sent by the Marquis of Repon. The platform from the doorway of the atation to the door of the funeral car was draped with black, and all the railroad officials on duty were dressed in mourning garments. One of the first persons who arrived ab the station was the Marquis of Lorne, formerly Governor General of Canada, who in conversation with a correspondent saked him to cable to Ganada the fact that he attended the funeral out of deep respect for the de-

They saved two, but a little boy, five years old, ran back into the stifling smoke and was lost. Mr. Brydon is a well known and prosparous farmer, and is an elder in Knox church here. Few people atand so high in the public estimation and there is deep sympathy manifested for him.

NICARAGUA CANAL.

LONDON, Oct. 21 .- Mr. John R Bartlett. chairman of the stockholders reorganization committee of the Nicsragus canal, in an interview to day said that the whole of the Nicaragua shares at his disposal had been taken in England. He could have sold many times the amount of shares he possessed, had they been available. He will sall for New York next week to organize a new construction company, and complete arrangements to place the securities of the company in the United States and Europe Active work upon the canal will begin soon There will necessarily be a short delay in awaiting the report from the London committee, among whose members are some of the ablest of the leading English politicians, scientists, engineers and ship owners. The results of his visit, Mr. Barlett said, had been so satisfactory that there is nothing left to be done, and the building of the longal, with or without the assistance of the United States congress, has become a delicative. taken in England. He could have sold

while the sailors and marines frawn up on the upper dook sainted. The procession halted on the main dock and the coffin was lowered by the bluejackets into the morrowy obweller, the captain's cabin.

From 11:30 until mome to-day a funeral knull was tolled from Westminster Abbey. The Queen personally bore all the expenses incident to conveying the remains of the late Conadian Pennier from Windoor to London.

When the White Star liner Mejestic touched at Queen the White Star liner Mejestic touched at Queenstown on Thursday night last a beautiful basket of flowers was handed to Miss Thompson, daughter of the late Premier, from the Counters of Aberdeen and the council of Industrial Association.

BURNED TO DEATH.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, Dec. 22—(Special)—The sad news was received in town this morning that Mr. James Brydon's scalid case, four miles west of here, was burned to desth. Chres of the ladest children were as a party and the parents were keeping up a warm fite for their arrival, when the upstale was discovered to now set the remark: "The Finance Minister of the ladest children were as a party and the parents were keeping up a warm fite for their arrival, when the upstale was discousted to now saw their three children in bed.

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MURDERER ASHFORD.

He Preserves a Studied Silence-Creditable Record as a Sol-

Story of the Shooting Detailed by the Young Boy-Little

Who has returned to Berlin, says that the old chancellor's farewell to his wife's body in Varzin was the most sorrowful scene of the great man's life. After leaving the chapel, Bismarck took a seat under a fir tree on a near-by knoll, leaned his ohin on saturday morning, preserves a studied silence. He was let out of his cell to-day, but his manner became so eccentric that it was feared he would make an attempt at sulcide, and he was sgain locked up. Ashford was married to a soldier's daughter in ford was married to a soldier's daughter in findia in 1872, and four one of their six

nected with it ever had direct or indirect relations with Capt. Dreyfuss, or ever made an effort to have Capt. Dreyfuss tried in camera instead of in open court. This sweeping dental is the German government's answer to the centencing of Dreyfuss for the alleged betrayed of French military plans to the embassy in Paris and to the violent attacks made upon the embassy by the press of Paris.

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BERLIN, Dec. 24.-A friend of Bismarck' who has returned to Berlin, says that the

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telegram published in a government organ to the effect that a bill to guarantee the Union bank's paper currency would be introduced in the legislature either to night or on Wednesday. Schemes for solving the financial difficulty multiply daily. The latest is the establishment of a new bank, the present concerns to go into liquidation, their paper being taken over by the new bank at its valuation. Considerable opposition has already developed towards the proposition for the government to extend aid to any banking institution whatever, solvent or insolvent, and what the result of this opposition will be remains to be determined in the near future. The Union bank still stands high in the estimation of the general public, and its notes are being taken into trade everywhere; but the agitation for the prosecution of the directors and the manager of the suspended Commercial bank shows no signs of cessation. It is impossible now to send post office orders either to Europe or to America, as the postal department here has no means of transmitting money.

SEATTLE, Dec. 21.—Charles M. Atkins, president of the defunot First National bank of Whatcom, who was charged with embezzlement, was found not guilty by a jury in the United States court this afternoon. When the judge read the verdict to the defendant who has been under a severe strain during the past week, he bowed his head in his hands and gave way to tears. Many people stepped forward and congratulated him.

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Montreal, Dec. 24.—The Countess of Dender of the Countess of Aberdeen has received permission of Carden has receiv SEATTLE, Dec. 21 .- Charles M. Atkins

sels Blown Ashore in Lough Foyle.

cases of the persons killed in the railway one person was killed and three were infindia in 1873, and four out of their six children were born there. Papers found among his effects show that he was highly thought of by his officers, and, before retiring, was recommended for promotion from the ranks. The oldest boy is very intelligent and with remarkable coolness detailed to the police officers that coolness detailed to the police officers that coolness detailed to the police officers. In the last days they have reiterated with positiveness that Count Muenster that algebrate that Ashford on the algebrate that Ashford on the algebrate for each of the outdren, and small present for each of the outdren in Be

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BRUSSELS, Dec. 24.—The storm has caused much damage throughout Belgium.

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lower parts of the town. The water is so deep that tremcars are unable to run.

LONDON, Dec 24—Fishing boats returning to Grimsby and Norwich in a battered condition bring reports of isolated drownings. The fishing boat Daisy foundered off Portsey, Sootland, yesterday and its four occupants were drowned.

ROTTERDAM, Dec 24.—The Norwegian steamer Stanley, 1,300 tons, was wrecked off the Judiand coast yesterday and her crew of 12 were lost. The steamer was helpless on Saturday and was buffeted about for 24 hours before she went on the rooks. At Zantavoort, near Harlem, the submarine cables from England have been laid hare; usually they are under six feet of sand.

FIGHTING IN MADAGASCAR.

MARSEILLES, Dec. 24.—Advices by mail from Madagascar report the arrival of Col. Sherviaton, who, it is said, will take com-Sherviaton, who, it is said, will take command of the Hovas. Other British officers are desirous of taking service under the Queen of Madagascar. The Hovas are said to be receiving a quantity of ammunition and arms. The French troops are patrolling the country around Tamatave and keeping the Hovas at a distance. The country north and west of Madagascar is in a very disturbed condition. There has been very severe fighting between the Hovas and other tribes, and several parties of Hovas have been out to pieces. have been out to pieces

tain Dreyfuss. Deputy Jaures, Socialist, was delegated by his party to demand the abolition of the death penalty in the army. In the course of his attack upon the government, he said that Dreyfuss had escaped sentence because the government feared the consequences of executing him.

Premier Dupuy reproached Mr. Jaures for votcing the theories of International Socialism on a subject which should appeal to every Frenchman's loyalty. "You are the internationalists," shouted Jaures in his reply, pointing to the Ministers. You favor the internationalists, shouted Jaures in his reply, pointing to the Ministers. You favor the internationalists, whom you adopt as your wards, are swindlers and scamps."

The chamber was brought to a high pitch of excitement by this harangue. The socialists cheered approvingly. The ministers interrupted the speaker frequently and as Jaures reached the climax of his charges M. Berthieu, minister of public works, sprang to his feet and shouted "You lie, and you know you lie."

Jaures reply was drowned in a tumult which was stilled after five minutes by the president's bell. There were many calls for the censuring of Jaures and eventually M. de Brisson, the president, requested him to withdraw his accusations. Jaures refused fiatly. He was censured by the president and expelled temporarily from the chamber. The sitting was adjourned in confusion. Jaures sent his seconds to Berthieu, in the event of whose acceding to the arrangements made by the seconds the duel will be fought with pistols at 25 paces. The duel was the main topic of discussion during the intermission, and the deputies when the sitting was resumed. The previous question was demanded by the government as soon as the chamber came to order and was carried aga nat M. Jaures' proposal. Alex. Miller, radical, argued in a speech on General Mercier's bill that existing laws would enable the government to punish Dreyfus with death. Lawyer Laveille, republican, denied this. Eventually urgency was voted on the Mercier bill.