

stalling the new alarm boxes and w hydrants, was also adopted. The street committee recomme The street committee recommend at the sidewalks be renewed on t llowing streets, viz, Menzies, east sid om drill hall to Superior, distance 2 et, estimated cost, \$57; west side enzies between Kingston and Super reet, distance 260 feet, estimated e ; Johnson street, north side, betw of, abilison street, north side, betwe ouglas and Blanchard, distance 3 et, cost \$88; Princess avenue, nor de, from Douglas to Blanchard, d nce 750 feet, cost \$100; Yates, fro lanchard to Quadra, north side, co 00; that a gravel sidewalk be made uth side of Michigan street, betwe enzies and Oswego, distance 1,160 fe 2. The report was adopted. The report was adopted. The finance committee submitted a ct calling for the expenditure of s 8.14, which was also approved. supplementary report was tabled by ance committee, dealing with a requ the committee, dealing with a reque Victoria West for an itemized account axes and expenditures there for t three years, as follows;

Taxes. Expe \$6,5 7,8 6.4 \$5.591 5,871 5,720

This shows that the city has expende ring the last three years about \$3.70 pre than Victoria West has paid in taxe clusive of police service and street ligh g. A copy of the petition will be ser the first name on the petition. All umber thought the petitioners would ge accurate account in the newspaper the first name on the petition. All mber thought the petitioners would ge accurate account in the newspaper Ald. McGregor was afraid it would no accurate. Ald. Wilson thought th vspapers were crowded just now; "an n't give it correctly?" interposed Ald mphrey. hrey. he mayor then announced his intentio

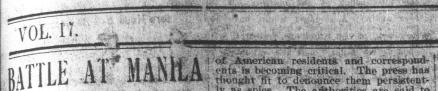
eturn the Williams resolution passe meeting, and submitted his reason return the follows:

dy reasons for returning the reso of for reconsideration are as follows ever connection regulation by-law 4, states dictinctly "that the cit er may grant for conso mathematical states of the lon 4, states dictinctly "that the city incer may grant for cause such exten of time to make connection as he may madvisable, not, however, exceeding 30 s. The by-law, therefore, expressly zes the power to grant an extension of e in the discretion of the city engineer i not to the municipal-council, and also its such extension of time to 30 days, herefore recommend that the resolution rescinded and the following substituted prefor:

erefor: "That Mrs. Williams be informed that e city council has no power to grant an tension of time except as provided for in e sewer connection by-law." CHAS. E. REDFERN, Mayor.

CHAS. E. REDFERN, Mayor. Ald. Humber wanted to know why the scovery of the illegality of the council's ep was not made before, and Ald. insman thought the proposed action child-b. He was not going to take "back ater." "No resolution of this council can erride a by-law," said the mayor. Ald. Phillips rose to say that if the re-lution was illegal, the mayor should veto and not return it to the council. The ayor was asking the council to do two rongs instead of one. Ald. Humphery thought the request of rs. Williams was still before the council. Ald. Humber said that some scribblers in e newspapers had been the cause of this ition.

Ald. McGregor thought the council should ot interfere with the city officials, and te council had no right to interfere with te sanitary officer. He moved that the solution be rescinded and that Mrs. Wil-turns be informed that the council has wil-



Proposed Exchange of Prisoners.

Germany's Eyes on the Philippines.

London, June 17 .- According to a spe-

Austria's Attitude.

Trying to Sow Dissension.

The Cadiz Fleet Moving.

Nost Important Engagement Since Dewey's Annihilation of the Spanish Fleet.

Insurgents Inflict Heavy Losses on the Spanish and Nearly Capture the City.

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Thirty-Two Thousand Men Located for Dispatch to Spanish

Possessions.

Proposed Exchange of Prisoners. New York, June 17.—The Journal has the following despatch from Hongkong: the most severe and important battle since Admiral Dewey's annihilation of the Spanish fleet has just occured at Manila. One thousand insurgents at-naked 2,000 Spanish, inflicting heavy Josses and almost forcing an entrance to the city. The insurgents under General Achinaldo, and the American sallors and

Aguinaldo, and the American sailors and marines of Admiral Dewey's fleet comletely surround Manila.

The foreign residents have fled to the ships. Admiral Montejo and Governor-General Augusti have placed the women, hildren and priests in a position of safe-

Governor-General Augusti is reported to be willing to surrender to the Amerians in order to prevent the insurgents apturing the capital, setting it on fire

nd killing the Spaniards. The archbishop, however, is opposed to the surrender, and has overruled Augsti. A Spanish spy attempted to poison General Aguinaldo, but the plot was diation are completely devoid of foundaabortive. Aguinaldo was made very tion.

sick, but completely recovered. A Spanish prisoner was caught trying pondent of the Times, after quoting the Berliner, Post and other financial papers to assassinate Aguinaldo. When the plot was discovered he attempted to esisinuating that some foreign power is trying to sow dissension between Ger-

cape, but was shot dead. The success of the insurgents is wonderful. The of the insurgents is wonderful. The Spaniards taken prisoners in the two weeks' campaign aggregate 3,000, in-cluding 2,000 soldiers of the regular army. Prominent among them are Gen-erals Garcia and Cordoba. The gover-nors of the provinces of Cavite, Balunors of the provinces of Cavite, Balu-

chan and Bataan were also made pris-soners. Two million rounds of cart-ridges were seized in the fortified cathe-Cavite.

The large garrison at Old Cavite has surrendered, thus giving the insurgents the command of the shore of an entire bay. All sources of supply are now cut off from the Spanish forces at Manila. The insure are in the source of t

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guns were mounted on the

tion of the Tampa camp.

of American residents and correspond-ents is becoming critical. The press has thought fit to denounce them persistent-ly as spies. The authorities are said to be on the point of giving way to the dic-tration and outery of the press. Expli-san is the mildest step threatened while "severe repression" is insinuated. A ma-jority of the correspondents are not Am-crican citizens, but Soaniards, English-men, Germans and Irishmen. Spanish newspapers display intense animosity to-wards all foreign correspondents, call-ing the attention of the authorities to the presence of correspondents at Oadiz, Al-

ing the attention of the authorities to the presence of correspondents at Cadiz, Al-geeiras and Ferrol, and denouncing the English correspondents as quite as bad as the Americans. It is inferesting to note at the same time that all Madrid papers publish telegrams from special representatives at Washington, New York, Tampa and Key West. Proposed Exchange of Drive was intended to be the division of the Seventh, buy has now been attached to the fourth corps under General Coppin-ger. The third division of General Lee's corps has nof yet been formed, but the Second Missippi regiment has been or-dered to Jacksonville and it will enter that division

Pictoria Times.

that division. that division. The war department has begun an in-vestigation into the state of prepared-ness of the troops at Tampa, Mobile and Jacksonville, with a view to select-ing the regiments for the Porto Rican force, but it is by no means certain that all the commands for that enterprise will be taken from these camps. In fact, it seems assured that selections of specially well equipped and trained regispecially well equipped and trained regi-ments from the camps at Chickamauga and Washington will be made in organ-Madrid, June 18 (10 a.m.)-A

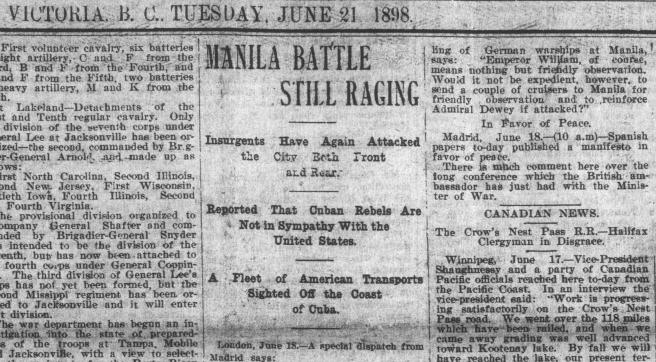
ing the new expedition. cial despatch from Shanghai, Admiral Von Diederish, it is semi-officially asserted, left Nagasaki for Manila upon receipt of instructions from Berlin to prevent Admiral Dewey from bombard-Should the Spaniards prove more numer-ous and formidable about Santiago than is expected reinforcements will un-doubtedly be hurried there. Several of the transports engaged for the Santiago is repugnant to a majority of the rebel the city, also because Captain General Angusti offered the German consul the Caroline islands as a coaling station in operations to be undertaken against movement were not used in the first ex-pedition and these should be available for a second should it be found necessary.

London, June 17.—The Vienna correspondent of the Times says: There is every probability that Austria will con-tinue to maintain neutrality. All re-ports as to Austria's impatience for me-FROM THE CAPITAL

> Appointed Judge in the Northwest Territories.

many and America, says: "Why does Robt. Cassels, Q. C., Dead-The De-

Gibraltar, June 17.-The captain of German steamer arriving this mornin reports having sighted the Spanish Cadi



A Fleet of American Transports Sighted Off the Coast of Cuba.

London, June 18 .- A special dispatch from Madrid says:

According to a dispatch just received here from Hongkong, four warships, carrying the flag of the Philippine insurgents, appeared

fing of the Philippine insurgents, appeared at Manila bay and attacked the city in com-bination with the forces on land. Madrid, June 18 (10 a.m.)—A dispatch from Havana says the Guerra Marina pub-lishes a number of documents, "including a letter from Maximo Gomez to the Cuban Junta, New York, protesting against inter-vention by the United States." There is some reason to suppose that a portion of the force left at Tampa may yet be sent on to Santiago as a second division of General Shafter's army. Marie Hurst is under arrest here charged with robbing her female com-panion of \$400 while travelling on the

C. P. R.

chiefs and distasteful to the mass of the insurgents." Mole St. Nichalos, June 18.-An American

warship and two transports, the latter containing part of the army with which it is intended to take Santiago, have been sighted off Cape Maysl, at the eastern end of Cuba. The captain of the vessel which | London, June 17 .- The Berlin corres- D. C. Fraser, M. P., Likely To Be reports seeing the Americans declaces they were sailing at full speed in a southerly direction. They were seen at dusk last night. They are undoubtedly part of the fleet which left Tampa Tuesday night, and the other ships are close by. By this time the leaders of the fleet are off Guantanamo



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Twice-a-Week,



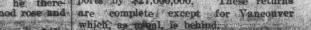
toward Kootenay lake. By lait we will have reached the lake, our present ter-minus. We have two years to build to Nelson, our objective point. There are many engineering difficulties to over-come, there always are on railways run-Disturbances.

> Number of Policemen Badly Hurt-The Militia May Be Called Out.

Official Returns. Showing the Marvellous Increase in Total Trade of Canada.

Ottawa, June 18 .- There is a big strike on at W. C. Edward's saw mills at Rockland, where over six hundred men are employed. Some twelve Dominion policemen have been badly hurt in trying to put down the disturbances. The men want more pay, shorter hours and to be paid fortnightly instead of monthly. The militia may have to be called out. Mr. Edwards tried to pacify the men, but they hissed him. Over 100 men are at the gates refusing to ad-

Robt. Cassells, Q. C., Dead—The Dead Letter Office.
Ottawa, June 17.—It is likely that D. C. Fraser, M.P., will be made a judge in the Northwest Territories at a salary of \$4,000 a year.
Robt. Cassells, Q.C., registrar of the Supreme court, died here to day after a long and severe illness. He was appoint if a 1875, and is a brother of Waher Lacehs, Toronto.
The decentralization of the dead letter
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wer to be full an extension of time ex-pung as provided in the by-law. Ald, Phillips demurred and thought a com-titude should investigate and adjust the atter without imposing hardships upon a conditant. icant.

le applicant. Ald. Kinsman also said he would support o such proposition, and moved an amend-ent that the matter be laid over for a onth, which was ruled out or order, as would be very expensive to make the amection

Ald. Humphrey thought the motion would ave to be passed, but was in favor of elay as lengthy as possible with the appli-int. The motion was carried on the fol-wing vote: Ayes—The mayor, Ald. Wil-m, Humphrey, Williams and McGregor. ays—Ald. Kinsman, Hall, Humber and hillips.

poewenbery, Harris & Co. and Percy ewenbery, Harris & Co. and Percy R. wn, who asked for an extention for ear, were similarly informed and the tary inspector's communication received

nd filed. Ald. McGregor's motion to have plans repared for a tool house at the Yates reet stables was carried. The street by-law amendment by-law was econsidered, with the mayor in the chair. Id. McGregor moved that a clause be in-stred that no wood he cut on the streets ld. McGregor moved that a clause be in-erted that no wood be cut on the streets ithin the city Hmits before 5 and 10 o'clock m. This caused a renewal of the old iscussion, and the clause was lost. The y-law was finally completed and read a econd and third time and passed. "Ald. Phillips inquired about the Yates treet fire hall and was informed that the patter would come up before Judge Wai-em to day. The Fort street by-law was efferred owing to the lateness of the hour, nd the council rose at 19:35.

A RELIABLE OFFER.

Honest Help Free to Men.

The Times is authorized to state by Mr. D. Graham, Box 133, Hagersville nt., that any man who is nervous and ebilitated or who is suffering from any f the various troubles resulting from verwork, excess or abuse, such as ner-ous debility, exhausted vitality, lost vig-r, unnatural drains and losses, lack of evelopment, etc., can write to him in trict confidence and receive rREE OF HARGE full instructions how to oughly cured. Mr. Graham himself was for a long

time a sufferer from above troubles and ofter trying in vain many advertised re-nedies, electric belts, etc., became alnost entirely discouraged and hopeless. Finally he confided in an old clergyman. whose kind and honest advice enabled him to speedily obtain a perfect and permanent cure. Knowing to his own corrow that so many poor sufferers are being imposed upon by unscrupulous puacks, Mr. Graham considers it his quacks, Mr. Graham considers it nis duty as an honest man and a firm be-liever in Christian sympathy and kind-ness, to give his fellow-men the bene-fit of his experience and assist them to a cure. Having nothing to sell, he asks for no money, the prond satisfaction of having done a great service to one in need, he rightly considers an ample re-ward to big trouble. If you write to ward for his trouble. If you write to Mr. Graham you can rely upon bein Mr. Granam you can rely apon ured and apon aboslute secrecy as well. Address as above, enclosing a stamp and refer to the Victoria Times. No atnd refer to the Victoria Times. ention, lowever, will be given to the riting out of mere curiosity, therefor tate that you really need a cure.

Backus Woods-So you've got back from Yew York. How did you feel in such a big

Farmer Stumpley-I felt for my pocket most o' the time .- Puck

Mrs. Chas .Smith, of Jimes. Ohio, writes: have used every remedy for sick head-che I could hear of for the past fifteen ears, but Carter's Little Liver Pills did be more good than all the rest.

The area of the relations betwen spain and Germany. Type which left San Francisco May 25th. They are hourly expected. The Americans can take Manila within 24 hours after the arrival of the troops. General Augusti has issued orders de-claring all males above the age of 18 shall join the army to do military duty. Aunon's Visit to Cadiz. Paris, June 17.-A dispatch to the Fi-

Paris, June 17 .- A dispatch to the Figaro from Madrid says: Captain Aunon's visit to Cadiz was with a view of experimenting with a new and powerful explosive shell.

Germany Wants a Say. Berlin, June 17 .- A dispatch from

shanghai to the Frankfort Zeitung says t is believed that Germany will avoid conflict with the Americans, but if the bilippine question arises it will expect out that Admiral Sampson, after the bombardment, said:

Spain and the Philippines. London, Jane 17.—The Gibraltar cor-respondent of the Daily News says: There is great indignation here be-cause the Americans threaten to bom-bard

As for the rumor that Spain has sold good to remain. If it is true that ships' the Philippines to Germany, there have guns were mounted on the f been so many irregularities in the war to me it is most significant."

that one or more would not matter. So say the Spen'ards. One German view, imported to here is this: "President McKinley never wanted war, nor did any member of the cabinet want it. It was the politicians and

others behind the scenes and some philanthropists who dragged the president into war and forced him as far as he has gone. The taking of Manila by the Germans would enable him to say to the war party: 'What did I tell you? Are we going to try conclusions with the Germans, Russians and probably French?' No. It would throw the development of the United States back too far.'"

A Bogus Letter.

London, June 17.-The Rome corre-

"I am authorized to state that the let-er recently published in certain Catholic hewspapers purporting to have been ad-dressed to Monsignor Martinelli and the Catholic archbishops of the United States to clergy and laity with reference to the Hispano-American war is a fa-brication."

American Spies in Spain.

London, June 17.-El Imparcial says the government will shortly take steps against "American spies residing in Maarid and the provinces who pretend to be English correspondents." The paper adds: "Very probably the government will speedily adopt rigorous measures against the prior in the corrige of Am spies in the service of American interests."

Bombardment Near Cardenas.

New York, June 17.—A despatch, to he World from Key West says: It is Foorted that a bombardment occurred dear Cardenon the Am Cardenas this morning. The Am-is determined to destroy two or block houses which are being erect-he American ships went close and red the block houses, which did not ad. The bombardment did not last our.

Foreign Correspondents In Spain. New York, June 17.—A despatch to the World from Madrid says: The position Third and Sixth and Fourth troops of the Islander last night from Fairview.

The decentralization of the dead letter office commences on the 1st July, when there will be six, as follows: Ottawa, Halifax, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, and Victoria. Mr. Maillene will be in charge at Victoria.

A Berlin dispatch says it is officially A Berlin dispatch says it is omtially announced that from July 31st next Great Britain and her colonies, with the exception of Canada, will receive from Germany the benefit of the most favor-ed nation treatment. The exclusion of Canada from these benefits is regarded as a reprisal for Canada's act which brought about the denouncement by Great Britain of the commercial treaties "Fire is to be deliberate; and after the batteries are silenced it will be care-fully directed to their destruction. Amwith Germany and Belgium. Regarding the notice of reprisal upon Canada Sir Richard Cartwright says that the move-ment was not unexpected, and Canada could not complain, as she need not have expected favored nation treatment from munition must not be thrown away. Careful instructions will be given captains not to fire unless they see the mark, which in this case will be the enemy's expected favored nation treatment from those to whom she did not give it. In regard to Germany's trade with Canada it was decidedly one sided and we would not suffer much. We bought at least six times as much from Germany as she did from us, possibly a great deal more than that. Direct imports from Germany into Canada in 1897 were \$6,491,000, and in addition there must have here a good These instructions were so well carried

Canada in 1567 were 50,337,000, and in addition there must have been a good deal imported from Germany through England. On the other hand, Canadian exports to Germany were only \$1,045,-000. Canada, therefore, would be very little affected by Germany's action. fortifications TRIBUTE FROM ENGLAND.

A Manchester Clergyman Praises the United States.

Washington, June 16.-L'on. James F. Meline, assistant United States treasur-er, has received through Speaker Reed New York, June 16 -According to the estimates made by Adjutant-General Corbin, says the Washington correspondent a letter from Rev. Hume Elliott, of Manchester, England, enclosing a postal of the Times, the total number of troops left at Tampa after the sailing of the Santiago expedition is in the neighbor-hood of 23,000. This includes the por-tion of the fourth corps remaining at Mobile, which is regarded as a sub-sta-tion of the Tampa camp order for 10 shillings and 6 pence. In the course of his letter Mr. Elliott says: e. In "Will you kindly accept half a guinea as a very small token of a very great regard for the United States in its pre-sent high and righteous enterprise. It may furnish a cup of cold water to som

member of your army or navy bravely intending in the interests of humanity "May I venture to add that this simple

tion of the Tampa camp. At Jacksonville, it is estimated by the adjutant-general, there are about 9,000 men. This would make the entire strength of the forces most eligibly located for embarkation for Porto Rico 32,000 men. Little doubt is harbored that out of the time the other preparations for the expedition are completed an army of 25,000 men thoroughly equipped. see routped. offering does not spring altogether from a new born sentiment. When last year we new-born sentiment. When last year we celebrated the diamond jubilee of our be-loved Queen, behind my pulpit platform were grouped three flags—the royal Brit-ish Stanlard in the centre, while on one side burns the Unice Lock and on the expedition are completed an army of 25.000 men thoroughly equipped. The datest official returns to the war department show the following as the

side hung the Union Jack and on the other the Stars and Stripes. "The explanation is simple. We felt that in the United States, whither so many loved ones had gone, countless hearts of kith and kin were beating in symmetry with one over department show the following as the composition if the fourth army corps, commanded by Major-General Coppin-ger, which is expected to take part in the movement on Porto Rico. At Mobile-First division; commanded by Brigadier-General Schwan, five regi-ments: The First and Second Texas, First and Second Louisiana and First Alabama

sympathy with our own. "Moreover, it seems almost impossible

for us to regard the Stars and Stripes Alabama. At Tampa-Second division, commandlike the emblem of any other nation as out and out a foreign flag. Had it At Tampa-Second division, command-ed by Brigadier-General Snyder, nine regiments; the Eleventh and Eigh-teenth regular infantry, First District of Columbia, Second New York, Fifth Maryland, Third Pennsylvania, One Hundred and Fifty-seventh Indiana, First Ohio and First Illinois. Also the third division, commanded by Brigadier-General Henry, Eighth cavalry and arnot been so regarded by us it could never have occupied the position it did on the august and momorable occasion I have reference to. May God bless, protect

and prosper the United States.' In his response Mr. Meline says: "Be pleased to accept the assurance that your generous expressions of sym-

General Henry, Eighth cavalry and ar-tillery detachments; Fifth Ohio, First Florida, Thirty-second Michigan, Sixty-ninth New York, Third Ohio, and Second pathy are received with the feelings they naturally inspire, coming as they do from the near though foreign kin of a great part of the population of this coun-

Regent, which was recently given by Le Temps without details, is very half-heuri-edly, denied in the Madrid press. The Queen Regent is much depres the sad situation of the country The the Spanish people's lack of sympathj for her. She made up her mind a fort

night ago to renounce her rights and hight ago to renounce her rights and title to be queen regent in favor of Infanta Isabella, sister of the late King Alfonsi X11. This princess, who is Spanish in heart and mind, is much be-loved throughout the kingdom. The Queen Regent thought by yielding the regency to her she would disarm the adversaries of the existing regime and rally all sympathies around the little king.

She even formed a resolution for quit-ting Spain for a time after the abdication with her two daughters, leaving the young sovereign to reign and the new regent. She summoned Premier Sagasta and eloquently laid the plan before him. A ministerial council was held, after which all the members visited the Queen

Very bachy construct by the construct Premier Sagasta was so persuasive that the obtained the following reply from the Queen Regent: "I admit you are right; but I do not altogether give up my plan. I only postpone it." General Sanchez, the young king's millioury theory common another in military tutor, occupies apartments in the palace, also private apartments in Calla de Lacruz. These apartments have

been shut up for two years and a half, but upholsterers are now at work making the palace habitable. New York, June 17 .- A special to the

Situation at Manila. Herald from Washington says: London, June 18.-Senor Sagasta, re Vigorous efforts are to be made to get plying in the cortes yesterday to a question as to whether Manila had faller the Hawaiian annexation resolution through the senate by the first of next answered in the negative. He that the situation there is of the He added week. gravest

that the situation there is of the gravest character. Dispatches from Madrid agree that this statement, together with the report that the rebels were attacking the walled city, has caused intense de-pression. Japan, according to a dispatch from Shanghai, is sending additional warships to Manila, and it is reported in Shanghai that the American troops have arrived at Manil. Special dispatches from Hongkong, con-firming dispatches to the Associated Press from Manila, add the rumor that Captain-General Angusti's wife and fam-ily are held as hostages at Cavite. From

scene of a great fire, presumably from the ignition of the petroleum works there. It appears, that when the German cruiser Kaisenn Augusta entered Manila If the senate acts by Saturday of next week it is probable that Rear Admiral Miller will arrive at Honolulu while the

auch comment. Another rumor is that Captain-General Augusti has resigned because of a dis-agreement with the archbishop of Ma-

Supplies for Spanish Troops.

Kingston, Jamaica, June 18.-A dis-patch from Manzanillo, province of San-tiago de Cuba, received here to-day announces the arrival there of the Spanish steamer Purisima Concepcion, which sailed from Kingston about 2 o'clock Thursday morning with food supplies for

The Spectator's Suggestion.

ne rr.-The inspector of mines for No Methodist denomination was yesterday dropped from the ministry and expelled from the church on account of obliga-tions to business people. The guilty man is David Walker, who was stanoned in Scotia has been appointed inspector of mines for the Yukon, along with Norfolk and McGregor, who are out there now. They will all report to commis-Sydney district, and the conference took this step in order, as it is expressed, to maintain the standard of the clergy and sloners

C. P. R. Regina Liberals are preparing a wel-come for their new Lieutenant-Governor, Hon. M. C. Cameron. Toronto, June 17.—There was consid-erable suppressed excitement when the

erable suppressed excitement when the Anglican synod inet this morning to en-

deavor to make terms with Bishop Sweatman. The result of the morning's

deliberations was the adoption of a series of resolutions confessing the in-

debtedness of the diocese to the bishop, and undertaking to remove all cause of complaint. The stipend deficiency, amounting to \$1,555.62 will be paid to-

morrow morning, pending the collection of the amount by an assessment of

parishes, and such offices as the bishop may deem necessary will be provided.

Mr. Morrison has arranged with Sir Louis Davies to see him on Wednesday church. Guelph, Ont., June 17.-Dave Irving was found guilty of burglarizing Bos-

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Senate Will Pass Hawaiian Resolution Next Week-Dole Will Be

First Governor.

Plans Being Formulated for Formally

Taking Possession of the

Islands.

next in regard to the representatives who are now on their way from British well's store at Elora, and sentenced to-day to fourteen years in Kingston peni-Columbia to Ottawa respecting new. fisheries regulations. The warehouse of Geo. D. Wood &

CABINET DIFFICULTIES.

Co., wholesale hardware merchants, was damaged by fire to-night. The loss will be several thousand dollars, principally by water. The building was fully in-Italian Ministry Resigns-Ribot Unable to Form a Cabinet in France,

Rome, June 19.—In the chamber of deputies to-day the premier, Marquis de Rudini, announced that the ministry, which was only formed on May 31st, had

The Italian ministry which has just resigned only presented itself to the chamber of deputies on Thursday last. Paris, June 18.—After a consultation with M. Peytral, M. Sarrien and M. Dupuy this morning, M. Ribot informed President Faure that he was unable to : form a cabinet to succeed the Meter. form a cabinet to succeed the Meline ministry. The president accepted the latter's resignation on June 15th, Wedlesday last.

"THE PURPLE EAST."

An Outbreak Among the Albanians-Fierce Fighting Reported.

Constantinople, June 17 .- The outbreak among the Albanians at Bera. near the frontier of Montenegro, is due to revenge taken by some Christians up-on Albanian murderers of Christian no-tables last autumn. Albanians in re-

tables last autumn. Albanians in re-mote districts are participating in the present outrages. In consequence of re-newed representations from Montenegro, supported by Russia, the Sultan will dis-patch troops to the disturbed districts from Uskub. There was fighting all day Thrasday, and many were killed or wounded on both sides. According to advices, many women and children flee-ing towards Montenegro have been killed by the Albanians.

LI HUNG CHANG.

Advices From Tientsin Foreshadow His Return to Power.

London, June 18 .- Official changes at Pekin, says dispatches to the Daily Mail from Tientsin, foreshadow the re-turn of Li Hung Chang to power. His influenct is predominant in the Tsi Ya-men, and he is strongly biased in favor of the Bussians of the Russians.

TELEGRAPHIC TICKS.

Chicago, Ill., June 17 .- J. C. Parden burg, of Cleveland, Ohio, has been elect-ed Supreme Grand Master of the Supreme Grand Orange Lodge of the United States.

Paris, June 17,-M. Leon Bourgeois Paris, June 17.—M. Leon Bourgeois has declined to accept the task of form-ing a cabinet. President Faure has in-vited M. Ribot, former premier and mini-ster of finance, to form a cabinet to suc-ceed the Meline ministry, which resign-ed on Wednesday last. Melbourne, Australia, June 17.—The good rains which have fallen in this cole ony are estimated to have improved the

ony are estimated to have improved the value of the wheat crop in Victoria £1,000,000

Annexation within the next two weeks is now considered so certain that the administration is considering plans for formally taking possession of the islands and raising the American flag over

This duty is to be entrusted to Rear Admiral Miller, commanding the Asiatio station, and extraordinary haste is be-ing made to prepare the cruiser Phila-delphia for sea, so that he will have a creditable flagship when he goes to Homo-

entiary.

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ily are held as hostages at Cavite. From the same source comes the report that Tondo, capital or the province of Tondo, nearly opposite Manila, has been the

bay she took the unusual course of sa-luting the Spanish flag. This caused Miller

the Spanish froops and carrying, it is understood, \$100,000 in gold.

London, June 18.-The Spectator,

third Philippine expedition is still in the harbor, and, if so, the troops will be landed and there will be quite an im-posing parade of the land and naval forces of the United States. Pending registration by congress the government of the islands is to be vested

in such persons as the president may direct. It is understood that the presi-dent will appoint President Dole to be first governor of the islands under the United States, and that Rear Admiral

Miller will carry his commission to hin when he goes out to raise the flag. Washington, June 17.—The senate com mittee on foreign relations has agreed to report Newland's resolution for the annexation of Hawaii without change,

Just what the ceremonies connected with the transfer of the islands from the

government of Hawaii to that of the United States will be will largely depend on circumstances. There will be a salute to the flag by the rear admiral's flag-ship and a land parade of sailors and