wded with delegates from Van-Dr. Carroll, H. E. Gilles, James E. C. Cargill, Otto Marstrand. Queen, C. N. Davidson, A. E. F. Bledsoe, J. D. Breeze. , T. R. E. McInnes, J. Duff-H. H. Layfield, W. A. Camp-M. Brewer, T. J. Smith, M. S. d Capt. S. F. McKenzie, forming diate construction of an inde and competitive line from the Kootenay. They were accome Mayor Scott and Ald. Keary

executive, with the exception mier, who was engaged with itation, received them, and of the road and the ad Brewer, McLean and almost all of the speakers urge up of the V., V. & E. charter that company by the abro

Turner replied for the gov-Martin asked leave to say . He lectured the delegadly for embodying in the re reflection upon himself, and up with promoting the interer railway people. The charge ad abrogated a subsidy to the E. was absolutely false. There ubsidy to that corporation but nzie & Mann. His government gated the subsidy because he elieve that the government had poozled into coming here to objected most strongly to

thanked them for placing the so clearly before the govern-He thought also that Mr. Martin to be thankful for the opportunity

fly, he could not promise the depuhent proposed to retain the con-the freight and passenger rates.

or reduce them to a reasonable commensurate with the profitable on of the road. He hoped, also, the province a portion of the earn-

deputation then withdrew.

TROUBLE NOT OVER.

irid, March 13.—Official dispatches n Ripoll, province of Gerona, report a uation of the agitation there. The prefect of Barcelona left suddenly for Conflicts Feared.

drid, March 13.-Disorders have oced in the town of Larambla, in Cordova nce. A mob is parading the streets, ying revolvers, knives and other arms serious conflicts are feared.

THE FRENCH DUEL.

aris, March 13.-In the arrangements for duel between M. Paul Deroulede and Andre Buffet, lots have been drawn for lection of weapons and choice of postby the gentlemen having charge of the ir. In each M. De Cassagnac, repreing M. Buffet, won the choice.

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#### BOY'S FEET CUT OFF.

Vancouver, March 13 .- A shocking accioccurred this morning at Revelstoke. Verrenoire, wife of an Italian miner Nanaimo, passed through here yesterday the East. She had three children, and morning when the train left Revele the eldest boy was missing. It apler the car and had fallen off, both feet ing cut off. In this condition he crawled to the station, a distance of a quarter a mile. The boy will probably die

Victoria

Times.

Twice=a=Week.

VICTORIA, B. C., TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 1901.

DUEL ABANDONED.

### Kitchener's Dispatch

Issued This Morning Makes No. will visit Mr. Kruger at Utrecht, Mention of the Peace Negotiations.

Senekal on His Northward Journey.

finite character to justify lending official support to the view that the war is over.

Lord Kitchener's dispatch, which is dated at Pretoria yesterday evening, re-

"The weather is wet, delaying movements of the columns."

London, March 15 .- A dispatch from Pretoria, after noting Gen. Dewet's arrival at Senekal, Orange River Colony, says that though he has only a small following Dewet is nearing a district where he is likely to receive considerable pick up roving bands of Republicans who are ever present in the Dornberg and Korannaberg districts.

Gen. French the dispatch adds, has been detained by a swollen drift in the A dispatch from Capetown reports

that Scheeper's and Milan's commandos have turned southward and are now within forty miles of Willowmore and that the British are following them. Boers Cut Wires.

Capetown, March 15 .- The Boers having cut the wires, telegraphic communiation between the Eastern provinces and Natal is interrupted.

Wolseley's Reply

London, March 15 .- The House of Lords was unusually crowded to day in anticipation of the reply of Lord Wol- war. eley, the former commander-in-chief, to criticism of the former war secreary. Lord Lansdowne, now secretary

for foreign affairs. Lord Wolseley, in his opening remarks, said he regretted being compelled to discuss a personal matter, but he could not pass unchallenged the severe comments of Lord Lansdowne on the manner in which he had performed the duties of

Lord Lansdowne's personalities eviently have been premeditated. His in-ictments were grave and almost seemas if the personal attack had been e in order to divert attention from question at issue, and throw upon commander-in-chief blame for mismade by the government.

Until the recent debate he had never had reason to suppose that he did not possess the full confidence of Lord Lansdowne and the cabinet. Early in 1900 circumstances occurred which left him no alternative but to resign, which he had done. If he had not possessed the cabinet's confidence, that had been an opportunity which might legitimately have been used to appoint another commander-in-chief. Lord Wolseley then proceeded to re-

the specific charges made by Lord downe. He said he had made Eastquene. He said he had hadevery effort to improve the auxiliary forces. In February, 1896, he recommended that additional troops be sent to South. Africa, and recommended strengthening the Notal carrison and description ing the Natal garrison and deoccupation, not of the town of the but of the Biggarsberg th, but of the Biggarsberg hich was twenty-five miles in of Ladysmith, and had never d Ladysmith and its surround-

Volseley's motion that all the be laid on the table was rejected

ndon, March 15 -The war office. ng on advices from Capetown, will any more troops there until the have been ordered to disembark ps at East London, Port Elizad elsewhere. The plague in Africa causes uneasiness in South

an shipping circles here. In the Reichstag. in, March 15 .- Young Christian

visited the Reichstag to-day and had in terviews with a number of prominen

To Meet Kruger. The Hague, March 15 .- M. Henri Rochefort and other Parisian pro-Boers are here conferring with the supporter of the South African republic. They

Lansdowne's Speech London, March 15 .- In the House o

Lords to-day, Lord Wolseley, former commander-in-chief, in the course of his He Says Dewet Has Reached reply to the criticism of Lord Lans- London Times Called to Account downe, said three weeks before Krucer's declaration of war he had urged Lord Lansdowne to send out an army corps, a cavalry division and five battalions for London, March 15.—A dispatch from to the 10,000 troops already in Africa. Such a comparatively small number of cate a cessation of hostilities, although ment of the forces. Lord Wolseley concate a cessation of hostilities, although possibly, as no date is given, his capas possible consistently with any justice
as possible consistently with any justice

The members of the not supported. I have made my reply,

Lord Lansdowne, in replying, questionsuccesses, reports 46 Boers, killed or ed the correctness of some of Lord Wol- Irish members to connect Mr. Jos. Chamseley's statements. He reminded the berlain's warmest supporters, and if the rendered, with 200 rifles, 3,700 rounds Lord Wolseley had suggested that the of ammunition, 2,400 horses, 2,500 cat-British should fall back behind the much disliked colonial secretary. tle and 400 wagons and carts, besides mules and trek oxen.

"Methuen has arrived at Warrenton Tugela river. If the suggestion had been given earlier it might have saved one of the most untoward disasters of the war.

Lieutenant-General Sir William Butler

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Lieutenant-General Sir William Butler Lord Lansdowne did not wish to ex- its news service but with giving it " cuse himself for under-estimating the much needed lesson."

cuse himself for under-estimating the enemy, but Lord Wolseley should bear his full share. Lord Wolseley had suggested among other things the occupation of Delagoa bay and an appeal to the colonies.

Lord Salisbury said he thought it undesirable that all the papers referring to the debate should be circulated. He was not aware that any personal charges Lord Rosebery enumerated Lord Lansdowne's charges against Lord Wolseley and said they were personai in the judgment of the mass of the House and the man in the street.

much needed lesson."

Mr. A. J. Balfour, the government leader in the House of Commons, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader, and Mr. Wm. Court Gully, the Speaker, have been consulting together during the week. Among the suggestions which they will consider is one to examine all the members of the civil list committee separately under out, and so ran down the culprit.

The Daily Mass prints an editorial in this connection headed "Unusually direct charge of venality in high places," in the course of which it says: "Should the Speaker, as he certainly won't, decide to have the London Times reporter thrown out of the House, our contemptation of the House and the man in the street. House and the man in the street. Lord Wolseley's motion that all the

papers be laid on the table was rejected Gen. Kitchener, from Pretoria, March 16th, announces that the notorious Abel is

Eramus, of Lydenburg, has been brought in, with his family, by Col. Nearly 3,000 troops sailed from South- The Duke and Duchess of Cornwall ampton to-day for South Africa.

A special dispatch from Durban, Na-

annexation of the two republics with world. which it is at war in Africa. This reountries just issued. In this publica- a few miles out. tion it is explained in a foot note that

colonies of an Empire. "The United States is the first to recognize the annexation, all other powers having taken the stand that recognition is out of order until they have the formal

"Boer sympathizers are considerable wrought up over the fact that the United States should be the first to accord recognition to the hated and disputed an-

nexation.' In Aid of Boers. The Hague, March 16.-M. Henri Rochefort is organizing a big lottery throughout Europe in aid of the Boers.

Dewet's Mind Unhinged. oemfontein. March 15.-Prison who have lately been released by Dewet say they think he is a madman. They aver that the terrible fatigues that he has undergone, his anxieties and the in-tensity of his feelings have unhinged his mind. Apart from this view of Gen. Dewet's mental state, some of his pecu-liarities are that he rarely sleeps within the bounds of his camp. He seeks rest outside, with a few trusted followers.
Thus the orderies of his subordinate commanders are frequently unable to find him to receive orders. His secrecy is extreme. He imparts his plans to no

He repudiates the peace negotiations him is that after the British, he bates the Transvaalers. His whereabouts during the last two or three days are unknown, nor is it known whether Steyn is with him.

Conference on Monday London, March 16.—According to a dispatch to the Times dated March 15th, from Kaalspruit, it is reported there that Generals Botha, Delarey and Dewet will meet on March 18th to discuss the

## **Who Supplied** The News?

Publication of Civil List Proposal Has Created a Mild Sensation.

For an Alleged Breach of Secrecy.

London, March 16.—In the House of Commons yesterday the Chancellor of troops employed early had often achiev- the Exchequer presented the report of the so studiously silent upon the subject of ed results which five times their num-select committee on the civil list with the peace negotiations that it leads to ber could not produce later. The mobil- reference to the publication in the Lonthe conclusion that nothing has yet ization of this force at that time would don Times of confidential statements on have produced a considerable effect in the subject, and recommending the Africa. If the country had not been pre- Speaker to take steps, either by the expared at the outbreak of war it had not pulsion of the Times representative been because he had not urged the from the House or otherwise, as he saw Nor do Gen. French's movements indi- gradual and unostentatious reinforce- lit, to prevent a recurrence of such an offence. The Speaker promised to ren-

tures were made previously to the granting of the armistice.

as possible consistently with any justice
to myself. The noble Marquis made
strong personal statements which were don Times's alleged breach of secrecy in which is also unsupported. I cannot, regard to the publishing in advance the however, leave the matter thus. I feel government's civil list proposals. A curi-I am justified in moving that all the ous feature which has not leaked out "Dewet has reached Senekal on his papers be laid on the table. I am pre- in the papers is the implication of the ared to prove by official documents all Birmingham Post in the same charges, and there is a half-humorous and halfserious attempt upon the part of the latter how, after the Glencoe disaster, Liberals can get this organ punished they

from Klerksdorp, bringing in prisoners had written a private letter to Lord and cattle.

Note that william Butler party would be delighted to see the London Times suspended for, say a week, necessary for the campaign. not with the idea of seriously affecting

thrown out of the House, our contemporary would have no difficulty in em Lord Wolseley's motion that all the ploying further honorable members or officials to supply it with as much news as it may desire to publish. If the committee cannot find powers to act as the guardian of its own honor and to prevent the disclosure of information which solely in its possession, there is no

SAILED FROM PORTSMOUTH.

Leave To-day on Their Tour. Portsmouth, March 16 .- Amidst the tal, says the Boer commanders are holding a meeting at Pietersburg, in Northfiring of a Royal salute by the assembled
ern Transvaal, to discuss the position fleet and hearty cheers from the conern Transvaal, to discuss the position and advisability of a continuance of the war.

Annexation Recognized.

New York, March 16—A special from the continuance of the and Duckes of Cornwall and Duckes of Co New York, March 16.-A special from York on board, started about 4 o'clock Washington to the Herald says: "The this afternoon in the voyage which is United States has given official, although not to terminate until their Royal Highindirect, recognition to Great Britain's ness shall have made a tour of the

King Edward and Queen Alexandra. cognition is accorded in the state de on board the Royal yacht Victoria and partments annual review of the com-merce of the United States with foreign boat destroyers, accompanied the Ophir

Before the departure the Royal party the former republics have been annexed landed at the jetty, where King Edward to Great Britain, and that they are now jackets of H. M. S. Excellent who dragged the funeral car in the cortege of Queen Victoria after the horses became emanageable at Windsor railroad sta-

At a luncheon the King wished the notice, which Great Britain has not yet Duke and the Duchess a prosperous voyage. His Majesty said that one of the bjects of the tour was to express apeciation of the loyal help rendered by the British colonies in the South African campaign. The Duke of Cornwall and York proposed the King's guests at the luncheon num osed the King's health. The venty, including Mr. Joseph Chamber-

> FRANCE AND MOROCCO. There Has Been Severe Fighting But

No Details Are to Hand. London, March 16 .- The Tangier con spondent of the Daily Chronicle, dealing with the reported French encroach- the army corps to be organized in Canments upon Moorish territory, says: "There has been severe fighti though but few details are aflowed to pass the censor. It is clear, however, Three Men Killed and Three Fatally although the rumor that Figuig had been

occupied by the French is not con-"There is an uneasy feeling here that

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## M. M. Derouled by Suffer Ex- Outlook is

Lausanne. Switzerland, March 15.— The duel which had been arranged to take piace to day between M. Paul De-roulege and M. Andre Buffet, growing out of the controversy over the action of the Royalists at the time of the coupalists at the time of the action. Marcel Habit in 1898, has been abanconed in consequence of the authorities having issued a secree expelling both the would be the man and from Switzer-Reinforced.

another Fight. Pars March 15.—The Eclaire says the seconds of Count Boni de Castellane, in his duel with M. de Rodays, editor of the Figaro, will be Count de Dion and M. Gaston Jollivet. Withdrawn.

Duel To-morrow.

Paris, March 15.—The seconds of Count Boni de Castellane and M. de Rodays met this afternoon and decided that the duel should take place to-morrow morning. Two shots will be exchanged at 25 paces. M. Perivier, one of M. de Rodays's seconds, who is comanager of the Figaro, in an interview to-day declared that the duel would be to-day declared that the duel would be absolutely private. He said: "I will not tolerate the presence of a stranger. If otherwise I will retire from the field.

## Debate on The Budget

Sir Richard Cartwright Replies to the Speech of E. B. Osler.

Preference Not Merely Sentimental--Great Britain is Canada's Best Consumer.

Army Service Corps Is to Be Established in the Dominion

Ottawa, March 15 .- On the motion of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Mondays for the balance of the session will be taken for government business.

Bills Introduced T. O. Davis, of Saskatchewan, introduced bills respecting the Kettle River Valley and Vancouver-New Westminster & Northern Yukon Railways.

Mr. Douglas introduced a bill respect ng the Hudson Bay & Pacific railway.

Budget Debate. Sir Richard Cartwright resumed the budget debate to-day. He said that it was interesting at the new parliament B. Osler, in his speech last night, said that the policy was to grant no more Richard, the Canadian Pacific or some Manchuria, and did not contain secret other corporation approved of it. Then clauses,

present government, there was for it a subsidy given to the Crow's Nest Pass railway which enabled eastern Canada better communication with British Coumbia; there was the South Africa French are now engaging in punitive expeditions. The Germans are operating on the borders of Shan Si and the lumbia; there was the South Africa credit to Canada, and also the discount for placing a loan on the British mar-

Sir Richard took up preferential tariff. and showed its advantages to Carada. He would admit that it was a fairly high power. revenue tariff, but it was not a protective tariff. Preference was not merely sentimental, it was a benefit to Canada, The opposition complained of a large sociation has transmitted to President surplus and therefore he would invite McKinley the protest of the American them to say what articles they wanted Asiatic Association of Shanghai against Canada's best consumer. Canada's trade some time ago. with Britain was \$2 per head, while that cents per head.

Dr. -Ruthford's Appointment. Dr. Rutherford, ex-M. P., Macdonald, Manitoba, has been offered and accept-

vent with one of the contingents and who was on the Imperial staff at Capetown, is to be appointed to the head of

ada with a salary of \$2,000. FATAL COLLISION.

Injured. Clay Switch, Ky., March 15 .- In a head-on collision between freight trains to-day on the Illinois Central railway, which are going on. He has declared openly to the men under him that no terms except independence will satisfy China Great Britain may be unable or orders is said to have caused the were declared orders is said to have caused the were declared orders is said to have caused the were declared orders in the same of the same of the were declared orders in the three men were instantly killed and three fatally injured. A misunderstanding of orders is said to have caused the wreck. The trains ran together at full speed. Both engines were wrecked, and men riding thereon were either killed or injured.

London, March 16.—The marriage of Mr. W. Bayard Cutting jr., private secretary to Mr. Choate, the United States ambassador, and Lady Sybil Mariorie Cuffe, youngest daughter of Earl Desart, will take place on April 30. unwilling to stand between France and The trains ran together at full speed.

GIVING UP WORK.

British Troops Guarding Line at Tien Tsin Have Been

Trouble Is Imminent Unless Russian Soldiers on Duty Are

the Russians retire. Deserters Causing Trouble,

Pekin, March 15.-Eight Australians In my opinion it is improper to permit persons attracted by unhealthy curiosity to be present at a duel in which two men are staking their lives."

And the total and the statement at a duel in which two men are staking their lives."

And the total and the streets and staring at the ruins. Here and there on the outskirts of the town fires were seen in small frame cottages, deserters of different nationalities are committing depredations between Pekin and Tien Tsin. A small squad of Ger-

Von Buelow's Statement.

the Reichstag to-day furnished the opportunity for the statement from the chancellor. He said that the negotiations on the Chinese questions were making slow but steady progress. A reasonable peace programme had been drawn up. The hope was entertained that the feeling of solidarity among the civilized census returns give the population of nations would suffice to overcome the India as 294,000,000, an increase in the differences of opinion which lately had last decade of 7,000,000. Deducting the become apparent in regard to the mat-population of the Baluchistan, Shaus-

on the mandarins as a result of Boxer crease is shown of only 1.4 per cent., atrocities, the chancellor declared that which is due to improved the powers had not been actuated by methods. Thus the population is for thirst for blood, but by a desire to make the first time stationary. Owing to two an example of the guilty, and prevent famines, mortality from disease and a similar misdeeds in the future. suggested that the mission of Prince states show excessive declines. Thes Chun to Berlin was agreeable to the results were quite unexpected. Emperor, but it could not occur till China had yielded to the demands of the Lowers or had given satisfactory assur-ances that their conditions would be car-Until He Begged Forgiveness. ried out. China had unconditionally admitted her obligation, had granted an increase in which was possible, as the

best means of covering the outlay. The chancellor said the Anglo-German agreement was to preserve the integrity of China, and protect the German trade to railway unless, said Sir there. The agreement did not refer to s

treaty is still unconcluded, but if ratified it would certainly affect the per negotiations. Only the Germans and French around Pao Ting Fu. I believe it is impossible for the Emperor to return to Pekin until the allies withdraw

and the Chinese officials are restored to Protest Against Agreement.

New York, March 16 .- The executiv committee of the American Asiatic As-He said that Britain was the Russo-Chinese agreement received

German Fleet Will Remain, Berlin, March 16.-In a second speech in the Reichstag yesterday, referring to the German fleet in China, Count von Buelow, after repeating that Germany had pursued no annexationist policy in China, said the German fleet had reculture in England. He goes to test the culture in England. He goes to test the culture in England. He goes to test the culture in England. He goes to test the manner in culture in England. He goes to test the manner in culture in England. He goes to test the manner in culture in cultu German troops. Moreover, the presence of the fleet had contributed to maintaining a quiet attitude among the various viceroys. Count von Waldersee believed that the fleet had rendered valuable service in this way, and the German make useless the survey for which the minister to China, Doctor Munn von state paid \$150,000.

> The Reichstag to-day passed the se and reading of the supplementary esti mates for the China expedition, amou ing to 123,322,000 marks.

retention very advantageous.

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#### RELIEF FOR SUFFERERS. Food and Clothing Being Sent to Des-

titute People of Cloverport. Cloverport, Ky., March 14.-The fire

which almost completely destroyed this town was caused by the bursting of a natural gas pipe in the kitchen of a private house shortly after midnight. high wind was blowing, and the burning embers were carried to the immense tobacco warehouses owned by the American Tobacco Co. These buildings were soon wrapped in flames and efforts te fight the fires which were springing up on all sides. The tobacco company's I lant consisting of two stemmeries and one million pounds of tobacco was soon Tien Tsin, March 15.—The British and the Russians are disputing over the linits of railway property in the Russian totally inadequate, and Louisville and Henderson were asked to send assist-

gone, together with all provisions and clothing Over half of the residences too, had been destroyed, 1,000 people were wandering aimlessly through the but these gradually died away, and by noon flames had been almost entirely

loaves of bread, a large supply of clothing, etc. The coaches will be placed at the fleet that must be made sufficient, at the disposal of the homeless until they Berlin, March 15.—The debate in the can find temporary homes. Adjutant-supplementary estimates for China in General Murray this afternoon shipped 500 tents from Frankfort.

POPULATION OF INDIA.

Famines and Disease Have Caused Decline in Native States.

taks, Chin Hills and Sikkim territory, Referring to the punishments inflicted enumerated for the first time, a net in He great decline in the birth rate, the native

WIFE BEATER THRASHED.

ried out. China had unconditionally admitted her obligation, had granted compensation and experts had been engaged to revise the methods of paying indemnities. They were opposed to the control of the whole Chinese state system, and regarded the maritime duties, an increase in which was possible, as the

threatening to kill her.
"In the course of the hearing the pri-

ARRIVED AT PORTSMOUTH.

Duchess of Cornwall and York started this afternoon on the first stage of their tour of the four quarters of the globe. tour of the four quarters of the globe. King Edward, Oueen Alexandra and other members of the Royal family accompanied the travellers to Portsmouth whence the steamer Ophir, with the

Duke and Duchess on board, will sail. BRAKEMAN KILLED.

He Was Making His First Trip Over the Road. Utica, N. Y., March .15 .- Henry City, of Providence, R. I., a brakeman on the New York Central, while making his first trip over the this afternoon. He had been sent back to flag a train following. He stepped in

front of a fast freight on the next track. and was ground to pieces.

IMPROVING ERIE CANAL. Albany, N. Y., March 14.-Gov. Odeil has determined to recommend to the legislature the continuation of the nine foot improvement to Erie canal begun under Geo. W. Aldridge. He had tended to send a message to the legisla-ture to-day, but the machinery in the executive chamber did not work properly and the message is delayed. The decision of Gov. Odell, if carried out by the legislature, will result in the abandon ment of the barge canal idea, and will

PANIC AMONG GUESTS.

Washington, March 15.—Electric light wires started a fire at four a.m. to-day in the Merchants' Hotel here, which suread rapidly causing a panic among the guests. Several of them jumped from the windows. One was killed and four severely injured. The firemen easily extinguished the flames. The damage to the building was small.

RIOTS AT MOSCOW.

St. Petersburg, March 15.—News comes from Mo cow that the city is excited over the riot which began there on many severely hurt in the conflict with the police, who arrested several hundred persons besides noting the identity of many others. Some sam500 names were taken.

# Commons

NO. 14.

A Government's Proposals For Increasing Army Criticized by Opposition Leaders.

save them were abandoned in order to The Manchurian Question Great Britain and the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty.

> London, March 14.-The leaders of the opposition searchingly criticized the government's proposals for the increase and reform of the army in the House of Commons to-day.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman said: "The name and fame of Lord Roberts are a little too largely invoked in this question." He declared that no justification had been offered by the government for increasing the aggressive military power of Great Britain.

Sir William Vernon Harcourt, who re viewed the rapid increase in the army estimates during recent years, said that nothing could be more hollow than the idea that great armaments were a surety mans encountered the band, and were made up at Louiscompelled to retire. British cavalry have ville and Henderson and brought 5,000 matter to make a war inevitable. England's position is in the sea, and it is whatever cost

Lord Cranborne, under secretary of the foreign office, replying to questions concerning Great Britain's negotiations with the United States relative to Russia and Manchuria, said the government was in constant communication with the powers concerned on every phase of the Chinese question, but that it would be contrary to the public interest to enter nto particulars at the present moment Answering another question, Lord Cranborne said no steps had been taken by His Majesty's government to revise the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, but the ernment would be ready to consider in a friendly way any proposals made toward that object by the United States.

After midnight and during the de-

lord Hugh Cecil called for a division and Mr. Timothy Healy, rising with evident excitement, asked the Speaker whether the noble Lord, the Premier's dent excitement asked the Speaker whether the noble Lord, the Premier's sen, was entitled to interrupt. He addressed some remarks to Lord Cecil, which were drowned in an uproor of shouts and cries of "Send for the police!" The Speaker sternly called Mr. Healy to order, asking him to stop interrupting. Mr. Healy retorted: "I won't; you can do what you like, but keep the Premier's son in order. You won't turn him out." Then turning to Lord Hugh Cecil, Mr. Healy exclaimed: "We won't stand nonsense from you." All the time the Nationalists were cheering, laughing and shouting.

Now that the British government has admitted that it is building submarine boats, the Voikers Company has given out their corrected dimensions and other particulars. They will be 63 feet 4 inches long, have 11 feet 9 inches beam. soner replied to a comment from the bench with an epithet, and the thrashing followed. The justice afterwards sentenced Pesonitini to jail on the charge of wife beating and threats to kill."

Inches long, lave 11 feet 9 inches beam, and have a submerged displacement of 120 tons. The main engine of the gasoline type, will be 160 horse-power. The boats will carry enough fuel to enable them to steam 400 knots. The maximum surface senced will be 0 to the steam of the property of the steam of the st

STRIKE THREATENED. United Mine Workers Desire Another

Conference With Operators

Hazelton, Pa., March 16.-No one of Hazelton, Pa., March 16.—No one of the presidents of the nine coal carrying railroads came to Hazelton today in re-sponse to President Mitchell's telegram sent last night demanding their presence at a joint conference here to-day.

The United Mine Workers' convention adjourned shortly before noon. The convention, after an all-morning confer adopted a resolution instructing the Na tional Executive Board to negotiate for another joint conference with the opera-tors, failing to secure which the board has authority to declare a general strike

n the anthracite fields, probably to go into effect April 1st. Uneasiness at Wilkesbarre. Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 16.—The action of the Hazelton convention has caused much consternation in the city isiness circles here. The operators say it does not seem possible that the coal companies will consent to meet the miners in joint conference.

THE LYNCHING CASE.

Three Men Committed to the Circuit Court Mobile, Ala., March 16.—Ora Rolls and Deputy Sheriffs Asheroft and Seymour, three of the eleven men on preliminary trial at Scranton, Miss., for the lynching of John Knox, the Canadian who killed his stepson, were committed yesterday to the circuit court which meets in April, Asheroft and Seymour without bonds and Rolls op bonds for \$10,000, which his friends gave The judge refused to approve of Rolls's bonds

\$10,000, which his friends gave. The judge refused to approve of Rolls's bonds and he was sent to the Waynsboro, Miss.. jail. The others were dismissed. WALKING ROUND THE WORLD. Quebec, March 16 .- John Thomas, a negro, aged 82, arrived here on Thursday from Richmond, Va., having walked the entire distance, and left yesterday for Montreal on foot. He proposes

to walk around the world AT ALL TIMES OF YEAR Pain-Killer will be found a useful household remedy. Cures cuts, sprains and bruises. Internally tntes, there's only one Pain-Killer, Perry